

November 3, 2024

Led by the Holy Spirit, LaGrave’s members seek to worship and serve God in all of life, transforming His world and being transformed to reflect the character of Christ.

Welcome to worship at LaGrave. Because our worship proceeds without announcements, please carefully follow the order of worship printed below, noting that we use *two* different red hymnals. The *Worship & Rejoice* hymnal will be indicated by bold, italic type. An asterisk (*) denotes standing for those who are able. We are glad that you are here. Let us worship God together.

MORNING WORSHIP 8:40 & 11:00 AM

Please prepare your heart and mind for worship with a time of prayer and meditation.

God Calls Us to Worship

The Prelude:

“O Man, Bewail Your Grievous Sin”
“God, Be Merciful to Me”

Johann Sebastian Bach
Raymond H. Haan

The Chiming of the Hour

The Introit:

“Come and Be Joyful” (8:40)

Hal Hopson

Come and be joyful, praise to the Lord in song; he is our refuge, he is our everlasting strength. Alleluia. Merrily sing we Alleluia.

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“O Lord, Open My Lips” (11:00)

Richard L. Bouma

O Lord, open my lips. O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth shall show forth thy praise!

Psalm 51:15

*The Processional Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 109

“Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

*The Greeting

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

We Approach God with Penitence

The Call to Confession: *The Ten Commandments 3 Litany* from Lift Up Your Hearts 722

The Prayer of Confession:

(a time of silent confession, followed by sung prayer)

**Create a clean heart; make my spirit steadfast;
take not your presence or your Spirit from me.
Save and sustain me, that my tongue may tell forth
your ways to sinners.**

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The Assurance of Pardon: 1 John 1:8-9

*The Hymn of Commitment: Worship & Rejoice 372

“I Then Shall Live”

We Respond with Thanksgiving

The Children’s Message

The Pastoral Prayer

The Anthem:

“Create in Me” (8:40)

Michael Burkhardt

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast my not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.*

Psalm 51:10-12

“Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God” (11:00)

Carl F. Mueller

*Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me now away from thy presence; and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free Spirit. Then I will teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Create in me a clean heart, O God!*

Psalm 51:10-13

The Stewardship Moment

The Offertory:

“When Peace Like a River”

Paul S. Jones

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

The Offering

*The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him, above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

God Speaks to Us

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture: 2 Samuel 11 (p. 482)

The Sermon: **“DAVID AND BATHSHEBA”**

The Prayer for a Blessing on the Word

We Respond with Praise

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 659

“Nearer, Still Nearer”

sing stanza 3 a cappella

*The Benediction

*The People’s Response: **Amen.**

*The Organ Amen (8:40)

*The Choral Amen (11:00)

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:

“To God Be the Glory”

Alan Bullard

Rev. Peter Jonker – minister

Rev. Stan Kruis – liturgist

Dr. Larry Visser – organist, pianist

Dr. Rob Hobgood – pianist

3rd-6th Grade Choir, Dr. Rob Hobgood – director (8:40)

Jess Hollenbach – accompanist (8:40)

Chancel Choir, Dr. Rob Hobgood – director (11:00)

Amber Schaap & Sheryl VanEck – Cross and Bible Bearers (8:40)

Olivia & Celine Alcumbrack – Cross and Bible Bearers (11:00)

Music at LaGrave: Pianist, organist, composer, arranger, and conductor Paul Jones served for many years at Philadelphia’s Tenth Presbyterian Church, the same church where Rob Hobgood served as an intern musician. Jones composed a considerable amount of church music for choirs, vocal soloists, and instrumentalists. This morning we hear his two-piano version of the beloved hymn *When Peace Like a River*. The full range of each piano is used, and each piano is assigned the hymn melody at different times throughout the piece.

The flowers on the chancel today are given in gratitude from the Planned Giving Committee—to thank all who have remembered loved ones through contributions to the Planned Giving Committee or who have graciously thought to remember the Planned Giving Committee via estate gifts.

“You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:11

The November special offering is for **World Renew**, who work in 30 countries responding to both natural disasters and civil unrest. With partner organizations, they provide for displaced families and invest in local economies to help rebuild communities and renew hope, bringing long-term stability for future storms. World Renew embraces a family-centered approach to ending global poverty with food security, peace and justice, economic livelihood and health. They join families in more than 30 developing countries to change global hunger, poverty, and illness.

This evening, Reverend Jonker will preach on Matthew 17:14-23. Also this evening, one of our missionary couples who serve in South Asia (for security reasons, the name cannot be published) will share briefly in the evening service, and following the service will give a longer presentation over supper.