LaGrave Avenue
Christian Reformed Church

Evening Worship

September 20, 2026 | 6:00 PM

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Please prepare your hearts and minds for worship with a time of prayer and meditation

Welcome to worship at LaGrave Avenue Christian Reformed Church. There are **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 you are here.

The Prelude:

Reflection on *Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness*	Michael Burkhardt
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	J. Wayne Kerr
Trumpet Tune	Walter Webber

The Chiming of the Hour

The Call to Worship

*The Opening Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 519: 1, 3, 4
God, We Sing Your Glorious Praises

*The Greeting

*The People's Response: **Amen.**

The Welcome

The Reading: Amos 9: 11-15

The Hymn of Response: Lift Up Your Hearts 796: 1, 3
Oh, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

The Missionary Moment

The Pastoral Prayer

Concluded with singing:

Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord; my spirit waits for you, O living Word.

**O send you Spirit now, dear Lord, to me,
that he may touch my eyes and make me see.**

Show me the truth made plain within your Word,
for in your book revealed I see you, Lord. Lift Up Your Hearts 764: 1 & 4

The Scripture: Mark 2: 18-22
concluded with:
Minister: This is the Word of the Lord.
Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon: **New Wine, New Wineskins**

The Prayer for Blessing on the Word

*The Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 766: 1, 3
Lord, We Hear Your Word with Gladness

The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right for us to give thanks and praise.
With joy we praise you, gracious God, for in your great love, out of nothing, you created heaven and earth and everything in them. You made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin.
We give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who by his life, death, and resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. We praise you for giving Jesus as the bread of life.
Through his sacrifice you forgive our sins, you feed our souls, and you give us abundant life.
We thank you that, in Jesus, you give us food that endures to eternal life.
Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim the glory of your name.
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

The Prayer of Consecration

Almighty God, show forth, here among these people, the presence of your life-giving Word and Holy Spirit. Sanctify us through this sacrament. Grant that all who share the communion of the body and blood of our Savior, Jesus Christ may be one in him and remain faithful in love and hope. And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf, and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that your whole church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. We pray this with the words you taught us, saying,

Our Father, who art in heaven
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever, Amen.

The Words of Institution for the Bread and Juice

The Communion

Please come forward if you are able, as directed, to participate in Communion by intinction (dipping the bread into the cup and then eating). You may respond to the elder's words with "Amen" or "Thanks be to God." All bread is gluten-free. Children are welcome to come to a serving station for a blessing from the pastor.

During communion, we sing:

Spirit of God, Who Dwells Within My Heart

Spirit of God, who dwells within my heart, wean it from sin, through all its pulses move. Stoop to my weakness, mighty as you are, and make me love you as I ought to love.

Did you not bid us love you, God and King, love you with all our heart and strength and mind? I see the cross—there teach my heart to cling. O let me seek you, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that you are always nigh;
teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh;
teach me the patience of unceasing prayer.

Teach me to love you as your angels love
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the fullness of the heaven-descended Dove;
my heart an altar, and your love the flame. LUYH 618: 1, 3-5

Blessed Assurance: Jesus Is Mine
Blessed assurance: Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this is my story this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love. *Refrain.*

Perfect submission: all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. *Refrain.* LUYH 363

*The Response of Praise
Praise the Lord, my soul;
all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
Praise the Lord, my soul,
and forget not all his benefits—
who forgives all your sins
and heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit
and crowns you with love and compassion.
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

*The Closing Hymn: Lift Up Your Hearts 387: 1, 2, 4
The Day You Gave Us, Lord, Is Ended

*The Benediction

*The People's Response: **Amen**.

*The Organ Amen

*The Silent Prayer and Carillon Bells

*The Postlude:
Koraalfantasie Psalm 98 Wim Magré

Rev. Peter Jonker ..... minister
Norma de Waal Malefyt ..... organist

Join us following the service for a light supper in the Fellowship Hall as HBMS missionaries **Dan and Carol Cook** give a presentation of greater detail about their work in Brazil.

Ordinary Time, the liturgical season of spiritual growth, continues until Advent. Notice that the liturgical colors for Ordinary Time, blue and green, are now lighter and changing in color. Along with the addition of texture, they symbolize elements of growth and the passage of time. As we continue through this time, reflect on these concepts from 2 Peter 3: 17-18. We are encouraged to continue our growth in the knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ and experience his grace. As we do, we will be prepared to face life's challenges and remain firm in our faith. These banners are hung in diptych form.

The single candle near the lectern is our **Christ Candle,** reminding us of the Prince of Peace and the light of the world.

The flowers on the reredos today are given by **Kris Andrus,** in loving memory of her beloved husband **Bill Andrus,** who passed away three years ago.

The September special offering is for the Pregnancy Resource Center. Services include abstinence education, testing, prayer, consultation, information about pregnancy/adoption/birth control and the distribution of food/formulas/diapers/baby clothes.

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Sermon Notes

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