

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



# Ridgefield-Crystal Lake Presbyterian Church

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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**10th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 9, 2020 | 9:00**

*Worship Leaders Today*

*Message and Prayers: Rev. John Dillon*

*Scripture Reader: Brynn LeFevre*

*Music Leaders: Sherri Dees, Anthony Jay Houston,  
Scott Iddings, Dan Gilman, Al Popp, Rod Russell, and John Morefield*

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

GATHERING MUSIC: [BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL](#) The Porter's Gate

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Creator Spirit, wellspring of our lives,  
as the refreshing rain falls on the just and unjust alike,

**All: refresh us with your mercy.**

Pastor: As the stream flows steadily on,  
smoothing rough stones and shaping the earth,

**All: smooth and shape us.**

Pastor: Speak to us and teach us each day  
and especially in this hour as we gather in worship.

**All: Let us listen, learn and worship.**

CREATOR, SPIRIT, JESUS

Casting Crowns

**Lord the worship we bring  
Is more than songs that we sing,  
It's a reflection of our ever changing lives;  
The best we have to offer.  
We don't just lift up our hands,  
Lord we lift up our lives,  
For we know that You are worthy of our praise.  
To You our lifesongs raise.**

**Rescued from darkness,  
We are walkin' in marvelous light,  
For we are children of the King! Sing:**

**You are worthy of all honor,  
Glory, praise, and power;  
King of the nations.  
You are holy God almighty.  
Clothed in brilliant majesty;  
Creator, Spirit, Jesus!**

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#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: O God, gladly we live and move and have our being  
in you. Yet always in the midst of this creation-glory  
we see sin's shadow.

**All: Bring us out of the shadow and into your light.**

Pastor: We confess that we abuse the earth, the sea and sky.  
We confess we often abuse the power you have gifted us.

**All: All around us, and within,  
there is hurt, fear, hatred and blame.**

Pastor: Lord, forgive us so that we may forgive one another,  
heal us that we may heal, renew us that we may renew.

**All: Lord in your mercy. Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PEACE

Pastor: We believe that God works for a world  
where all shall be included in the feast of life.  
We believe that Christ walked the path  
of costly love to free us.

We are forgiven,  
and must in turn forgive ourselves and others.

**All: This the Peace which only Christ can bring.**

Pastor: Sisters and brothers, accept Christ's Peace  
and share it with all. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE: WE ARE FORGIVEN, LOVED AND FREE Paul M. Vasile

**We are forgiven loved and free.**

**We're washed anew and then called to be  
hope for the weary, strength for the weak,  
with a blessing of peace for all,  
with a blessing of peace for all.**

## WE GROW IN GRACE

#### WEE WORSHIP

SUNG RESPONSE: WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU GTG 70

**What does the Lord require of you?**

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**Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.**

**To seek justice, and love kindness,  
and walk humbly with your God.**

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SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 45:1-5 and Matthew 7:1-5

MESSAGE

*"Joseph, for Example"*

Rev. John Dillon

PEACE PRAYER

music and lyrics by John Foley

**Lord, make me a means of your peace  
Where there's hatred grown let me sow your love  
Where there's injury Lord let forgiveness be my sword  
Lord, make me a means of your peace**

**Lord, make me a means of your peace  
Where there's sadness here let me sow your joy  
When the darkness nears may your light dispel our fears  
Lord, make me a means of your peace**

**Lord, grant me to seek and to share  
Lest to be consoled than to help console  
Lest be understood than to understand your good  
Lord, make me a means of your peace**

**Lord, grant me to seek and to share  
To forgive in thee you've forgiven me  
For to die in thee is eternal life to me  
Lord, make me a means of your peace**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.**

OFFERING:

music provided by John Morefield

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# WE GO IN GRACE

WE ARE CALLED

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**Come! Live in the light!  
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!**

**We are called  
to be light for the kingdom,  
to live in the freedom  
of the city of God.**

**We are called to act with justice;  
we are called to love tenderly;  
we are called to serve one another,  
to walk humbly with God.**

**Come! Open your heart!  
Show your mercy to all those in fear!**

**We are called  
to be hope for the hopeless  
so hatred and violence  
will be no more.**

**We are called to act with justice;  
we are called to love tenderly;  
we are called to serve one another,  
to walk humbly with God.**

**Sing! Sing a new song!  
Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign,**

**and we'll walk with each other  
as sisters and brothers  
united in love.**

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SENDING

WHEN YOU GO FROM THIS PLACE

Pat Mayberry