

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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John Dillon, Pastor
5th Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2020 | 9:00

Worship Leaders Today
Message and Prayers: Rev. Fred Neuschel
Music Leaders: Sherri Dees, Rebecca Floyd,
Anthony Jay Houston, and John Morefield

WE GATHER IN GRACE

GATHERING MUSIC: [ALL BELONG HERE](#)

The Many

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Fred Neuschel

MORNING HAS BROKEN

GTG 664

**Morning has broken
like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!**

**Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where God's feet pass.**

**Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation;
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Merciful God, you call us to confession not to shame us,
but so that we might see ourselves clearly.

**All: Your desire is not to humiliate us,
but to make us humble.**

Pastor: You present us not with simple answers, but require us to seek the truth through learning, reflection and prayer.

All: You do not demand perfection, but challenge us to examine ourselves and turn towards following your will. We cannot be aware of the turmoil in our world and completely absolve ourselves from it.

Pastor: Forgive us for thinking in black and white, or red and white, or yellow and white or brown and white. Deliver us from the temptation of dividing people into winners or losers, deserving or undeserving, builders or destroyers.

All: Help us to see people, free from our assumptions and prejudices. Let us celebrate the beauty and diversity of the people of God. Repenting, we turn back to doing the work of your Kingdom. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PEACE (*Psalms 103:8-14*)

Pastor: The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**All: He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger forever.**

Pastor: He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

**All: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so
great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**

Pastor: as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.

**All: As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.**

Pastor: For he knows how we were made;
he remembers that we are dust.
The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
Alleluia!**

WE GROW IN GRACE

WEE WORSHIP

I WILL TRUST IN THE LORD
(sung by Rebecca Floyd)

trad. spiritual, arr. by Jeffrey Radford
and Nolan Williams, Jr.

SCRIPTURE READING:

[I Samuel 17:4-7, 42-45](#)

MESSAGE

"The Goliath Among Us"

Rev. Fred Neuschel

OPEN MY EYES, THAT I MAY SEE

GTG 451

**Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart; illumine me, Spirit divine!**

OFFERING : music provided by John Morefield
Your gifts to RCLPC matter now more than ever! Our expenses continue, and since we won't be passing offering plates each Sunday, your online or mailed giving is essential. If you are able to give online, we ask that you do so now through our [online giving program](#). We are checking the mail, if you prefer to mail in your check. However you are able to give, your generosity in this time makes a big difference!

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING 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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE music provided by John Morefield

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE GO IN GRACE

LORD, YOU HAVE COME TO THE LAKESHORE

GTG 721

**Lord, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.**

**O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.**

**You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
you will find there my nets and labor.**

**O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.**

**You need my hands, full of caring,
through my labors to give others rest
and constant love that keeps on loving.**

**O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.**

**You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me:**

**O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me.
By your side I will seek other seas.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

[FATHER LET YOUR KINGDOM COME](#)

The Porter's Gate
(Urban Doxology & friends)

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*

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