

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



## Ridgefield-Crystal Lake Presbyterian Church

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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**2nd Sunday of Easter**  
**April 11, 2021 | 10:00**

*Worship Leaders Today*

*Message and Prayers: Pastor John Dillon*

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

*Liturgist: Brendan Baser*

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 133*)

Pastor: How very good and pleasant it is

**All: when we live together in unity!**

Pastor: Like the blessing of anointing oil

**All: may God's blessing upon us spill over  
that we might know your presence.**

Pastor: As the dew falls on Hermon and the mountains of Zion,

**All: so may the grace of God reveal truth and justice,  
love and life for evermore.**

Pastor: Let us, with saints across the generations,  
worship the resurrected Lord.

TODAY IS THE DAY

Lincoln Brewster and Paul Baloche

**I'm casting my cares aside. I'm leaving my past behind.**

**I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus.**

**I'm reaching my hands to Yours,**

**believing there's so much more,**

**knowing that all You have in store for me is good.**

**It's good.**

**Today is the day You have made.**

**I will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**Today is the day You have made.**

**I will rejoice and be glad in it.**

**And I won't worry about tomorrow.**

**I'm trusting in what You say.**

**Today is the day. Today is the day.**

**I'm putting my fears aside. I'm leaving my doubts behind.**

**I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You, Jesus.**

**I'm reaching my hands to Yours,**

**believing there's so much more,**

**knowing that all You have in store for me is good.**

**It's good.**

**Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow.  
I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day.**

**I will stand upon Your truth. I will stand upon Your truth.  
And all my days I'll live for You. All my days I'll live for You.  
I will stand upon Your truth. I will stand upon Your truth.  
And all my days I'll live for You. All my days I'll live.**

**Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Today is the day You have made.  
I will rejoice and be glad in it.  
And I won't worry about tomorrow.  
I'm giving you my fears and sorrows.  
Where You lead me I will follow.  
I'm trusting in what You say.  
Today is the day. Today is the day.  
Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day.**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Living God, you are greater than our greatest imagining:  
more powerful; more compassionate;  
more generous; more just.  
Whatever we need this morning; or however we come to  
worship--you understand and accept us.

**All: If we come in faith or in fear;**

Pastor: you understand and accept us.

**All: If we come in joyful certainty  
or with minds full of questions;**

Pastor: you understand and accept us.

**All: As long as we are honest before you  
and our prayers are real,**

Pastor: you understand and accept us.

**All: On the days when faith comes easily,  
when all is light and sunshine and hope;**

Pastor: you understand and accept us.

**All: Hear our songs of joyful celebration, even though you know, as we do not, that there are times when our voices crack and our hearts can no longer sing.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PEACE

Pastor: Jesus lived as we do, in flesh and blood,  
experiencing the same joys and tribulations.  
And Jesus understands and accept us,  
forgives our failures, and celebrates our victories.  
Bringing forgiveness to all  
and a peace beyond our wildest expectations.  
The Peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

SUNG RESPONSE: ALLELUIA

GTG 587

**Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## WE GROW IN GRACE

WEE WORSHIP

SUNG RESPONSE: COME AND FILL OUR HEARTS

GTG 466

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

SCRIPTURE READING:

John 11:7,8,16 and 20:19-31

MESSAGE

*"Fleas are good for you!"*

Rev. John Dillon

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING?

Chris Tomlin

**There is an endless song, echoes in my soul,  
I hear the music ring.  
Though the storms may come,  
I am holding on to the rock I cling.**

**How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough, how amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?  
I know I am loved by the King,  
and it makes my heart want to sing.**

**I will lift my eyes in the darkest night,  
for I know my Saviour lives.  
And I will walk with You, knowing You'll see me through  
and sing the songs You give.**

**How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough, how amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?  
I know I am loved by the King,  
and it makes my heart want to sing.**

**I can sing in the troubled times, sing when I win.  
I can sing when I lose my step and I fall down again.  
I can sing 'cause You pick me up, sing 'cause You're there.  
I can sing 'cause You hear me, Lord,  
when I call You in prayer.  
I can sing with my last breath, sing for I know  
That I'll sing with the angels and the saints around the throne.**

**How can I keep from singing Your praise?  
How can I ever say enough, how amazing is Your love?  
How can I keep from shouting Your name?  
I know I am loved by the King, and it makes my heart  
I am loved by the King, and it makes my heart  
I am loved by the King, and it makes my heart want to sing.**

#### 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

EASTER DOXOLOGY

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**Praise we the Father, Spirit, Son:**

**Praise we the victory God has won: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise we the Lamb who reigns above:**

**Praise we the King whose rule is love: Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## **WE GO IN GRACE**

MIGHTY TO SAVE

Hillsong

**Everyone needs compassion**

**Love that's never failing**

**Let mercy fall on me**

**Everyone needs forgiveness**

**The kindness of a saviour**

**The hope of nations**

**Saviour**

**He can move the mountains**

**My God is mighty to save**

**He is mighty to save**

**Forever**

**Author of Salvation**

**He rose and conquered the grave**

**Jesus conquered the grave**

**So take me as you find me**

**All my fears and failures**

**Fill my life again**

**I give my life to follow**

**Everything I believe in**

**Now I Surrender**

**Saviour**

**He can move the mountains**

**My God is mighty to save**

**He is mighty to save**

**Forever  
Author of Salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave**

**Shine your light and  
Let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory  
Of the risen King**

**Jesus, Shine your light and  
Let the whole world see  
We're singing for the glory  
Of the risen King**

**Saviour  
He can move the mountains  
My God is mighty to save  
He is mighty to save**

**Forever  
Author of Salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave**

**Shine your light and  
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Shine your light and  
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We're singing for the glory  
Of the risen King**

**Shine your light and let the whole world see.**

**BENEDICTION**

*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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