

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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John Dillon, Pastor
4th Sunday after Pentecost
June 20, 2021 | 10:00

Worship Leaders Today

Message and Prayers: Pastor John Dillon

Music Leaders: Ann Legg, piano and organ, Iona Dillon

Technical Director: Steve Connell

Liturgist: Julia Baser

WE GATHER IN GRACE

WELCOME

YOU ARE THE CENTER

Text/Music: Margaret Rizza

**You are the center, You are my life,
You are the center, O Lord, of my life.**

**Come, Lord, and guide me, Lord of my life,
Send me your Spirit, Lord of my life.
You are the center, Lord, of my life.**

**Give me your Spirit, and teach me your ways.
Give me your peace, Lord, and set me free.
You are the center, Lord, of my life.**

**You are the center, You are my life,
You are the center, Lord, of my life.**

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Psalm 9:1-2*)

One: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;
I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

All: **I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

JOYFUL JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE

GTG 611

**Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.**

**All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angels sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.**

**Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: We come, loving God, separated in place and time,
but united always in your grace.

**All: Loving God, in this changing world,
where it is hard to be sure of what to do or
how to live our lives, we join together wherever we are,
whoever we are, whatever we are,
to give thanks for your constant presence,
for being with us in the good times and the bad,
for your constant love and generous forgiveness.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PEACE

Pastor: Loving God, maker of all,

All: have mercy on us.

Pastor: Jesus Christ, servant of the poor,

All: have mercy on us.

Pastor: Holy Spirit, breath of Life,

All: have mercy on us.

Pastor: Let us in silence admit our frailty and confess our failings.

~ silence ~

Pastor: God has forgiven you. Christ shall renew you and the
Spirit will enable you to grow in love.

Peace be with you.

All: And also with you.

*(Please exchange the Peace in whichever way is
acceptable to you and your neighbors.)*

SUNG RESPONSE: I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER

GTG 623

I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.
I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river;
I've got peace like a river, in my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain...
I've got love like an ocean...

WE GROW IN GRACE

SCRIPTURE READINGS: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 and Mark 4:35-41

SPECIAL MUSIC: SUNKEN CATHEDRAL Debussy

MESSAGE "Weapons of Righteousness" Rev. John Dillon

SUNG RESPONSE: CALM TO THE WAVES GTG 184

Calm to the waves.
Calm to the wind.
Jesus whispers, "Peace, be still."
Balm to our hearts.
Fears at an end.
In stillness, hear his voice.

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:

Your gifts to RCLPC matter now more than ever! Since we won't be passing offering plates each Sunday, you may choose to use the offering baskets at the back of the sanctuary. 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!

DOXOLOGY: PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW GTG 607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE GO IN GRACE

I WILL COME TO YOU

GTG 177

**I will come to you in the silence;
I will lift you from all your fear.
You will hear my voice;
I claim you as my choice.
Be still and know I am here.**

Refrain:

**"Do not be afraid, I am with you.
I have called you each by name.
Come and follow me,
I will bring you home;
I love you and you are mine."**

**I am hope for all who are hopeless;
I am eyes for all who long to see.
In the shadows of the night,
I will be your light.
Come and rest in me. (*Refrain*)**

**I am strength for all the despairing,
healing for the ones who dwell in shame.
All the blind will see;
the lame will all run free,
and all will know my name. (*Refrain*)**

**I am the Word that leads all to freedom;
I am the peace the world cannot give.
I will call your name,
embracing all your pain.
Stand up, now walk and live! (*Refrain*)**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: DIVERTISSEMENT

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*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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