

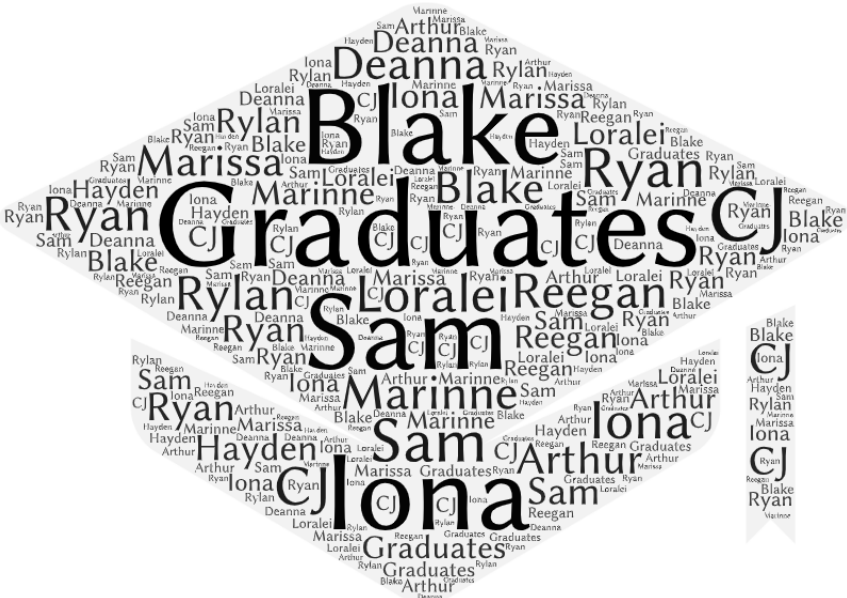
AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**2nd Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 6, 2021 | 10:00**

*Worship Leaders Today*

*Message and Prayers: Pastor John Dillon*

*Music Leaders: Scott Iddings, Anthony Jay Houston, Mike Griswold,*

*Iona Dillon and Samuel Viner*

*Technical Director: Steve Connell*

*Liturgist: Paula Viner*

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

PRELUDE MUSIC

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Come, let us gather around and see how the Spirit will  
nurture our faith today.

**All: Who is with us?**

*Liturgist: Christ, the light of the world.*

**All: Who is with us?**

*Liturgist: The Love of God, who came to meet us in the world.*

**All: Who is with us?**

*Liturgist: The Wisdom of God, who speaks through the  
Scriptures.*

**All: Who is with us?**

*Liturgist: The Grace of God, who proclaims we are  
children of God.*

**All: Who is with us?**

*Liturgist: Our risen Lord, who meets us at the table.*

Pastor: Lord we come to be lead and to be fed by your Spirit.  
Let us worship God.

GATHER US IN

GTG 401

**Here in this place the new light is streaming;  
now is the darkness vanished away;  
see in this space our fears and our dreamings  
brought here to you in the light of this day.  
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;  
gather us in, the blind and the lame;  
call to us now, and we shall awaken;  
we shall arise at the sound of our name.**

**We are the young; our lives are a mystery.  
We are the old who yearn for your face.  
We have been sung throughout all of history,  
called to be light to the whole human race.  
Gather us in, the rich and the haughty;  
gather us in, the proud and the strong;  
give us a heart, so meek and so lowly;  
give us the courage to enter the song.**

**Here we will take the wine and the water;  
here we will take the bread of new birth.  
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,  
call us anew to be salt for the earth.  
Give us to drink the wine of compassion;  
give us to eat the bread that is you;  
nourish us well, and teach us to fashion  
lives that are holy and hearts that are true.**

**Not in the dark of buildings confining,  
not in some heaven, light years away:  
here in this place the new light is shining;  
now is the kingdom, and now is the day.  
Gather us in and hold us forever;  
gather us in and make us your own;  
gather us in, all peoples together,  
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.**

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor: Strong and steadfast are you, O Lord,  
ruler over all creation.

*Liturgist: Each human created in your image bound to you in  
love, called to serve. From the dust you raise us and  
place us in communities each with gifts and graces  
meant for sharing.*

**All: Forgive us Lord, for we can be stubborn, we can be  
selfish, greedy and unloving. Forgive us when fear  
overwhelms us and drives us into poor decisions.  
Forgive us when doubts seep into us and cause us to  
question your way.**

*Liturgist: Lord help us to face our fear and doubts to bring them  
to you and seek your guidance. Give us courage to  
follow in your way, give us strength to make the right  
choices. Help us to lead each other in your way today  
and always. Amen.*

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: THE KINGDOM OF GOD (*Psalm 138*)

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**The kingdom of God is justice and peace  
and joy in the Holy Spirit.**

**Come, Lord, and open in us  
the gates of Your Kingdom.**

The musical score consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

System 1:  
 The king - dom of God is jus - tice and peace and joy in the Ho - ly Spi - rit.

System 2:  
 Come, Lord, and o - pen in us the gates of your\_ king - dom. The

**WE GROW IN GRACE**

CELEBRATION OF OUR GRADUATES

SPECIAL MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Jeremiah 29:11-14a and Mark 3:7-8,19b-29

MESSAGE "Here I Stand" Rev. John Dillon

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

YOU ARE THE CENTER Text and 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, O Lord, of my life.**

OFFERING: FRIENDS Michael W. Smith

*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!*

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: LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION / BENEDICTION

Pastor: From where we are to where you need us.

**All: Lord Jesus, lead us.**

Pastor: From the familiarity of what we know  
to the wonder of what you will reveal.

**All: Lord Jesus, lead us.**

Pastor: Lead us out to transform the fabric of this world  
until it resembles the shape of your Kingdom.

**All: Lord Jesus, lead us.**

Pastor: Blessings, hope and wonders have been promised  
to those who love God.

**All: Lord Jesus, lead us.**

Pastor: Go now in the Name of the Creator, Christ and Spirit.  
Amen.

## WE GO IN GRACE

WILL YOU LET ME BE YOUR SERVANT

GTG 727,

**Will you let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you?  
Pray that I may have the grace  
to let you be my servant too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey;  
we're together on the road.  
We are here to help each other  
walk the mile and bear the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you  
in the nighttime of your fear.  
I will hold my hand out to you,  
speak the peace you long to hear.**

**I will weep when you are weeping;  
when you laugh I'll laugh with you.  
I will share your joy and sorrow  
till we've seen this journey through.**

**When we sing to God in heaven,  
we shall find such harmony,  
born of all we've known together  
of Christ's love and agony.**

**Will you let me be your servant,  
let me be as Christ to you?  
Pray that I may have the grace  
to let you be my servant too.**

POSTLUDE

*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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