

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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13th Sunday after Pentecost
August 19, 2018 | 11:00

*As a courtesy, please silence cell phones before worship.
A “+” indicates all are invited to stand in either body or spirit.*

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE!

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: No matter where we roam, God is close by.

**All: On all the paths we wander and
the places we have been,
in all the shadows we pass through
and the deep valleys of joy that we enter,
there is one God that we worship and
in whom we find ourselves.
Come, let us worship our God.**

+HYMN 301: LET US BUILD A HOUSE

(All Sing: verses 1, 3, 5; females, verse 2; males, verse 4)

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: We looked for you this morning, God, and there you were.
We looked for you again, God, and there you were.
We're still looking, God, and here you are.

**All: You are never far away, God,
no matter how much we stray from you.
You seek us in our lack of direction.
You find us when we fail to follow your signposts.**

One: You gather us,
we who are scattered and scatter-brained.
You forgive us when we forget
and you bring us to where you are.

**All: There is no escape from you, God,
for you have claimed us as your own.
We gather today, God, because you have found us
and brought us home. Amen.**

~ silence ~

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Beloved in the Lord, we are set free of all that harms us.

**All: We affirm that we are made in God's image,
befriended by Christ, and empowered by the Spirit.**

+PASSING THE PEACE

One: Let us celebrate the miracle and wonder of life
and accept the peace which Christ alone can bring.

All: **Lord, lead us from death to life,
from falsehood to truth, from fear to trust,
and let your peace fill our lives and our world.
We accept the gift of peace
and share it with our neighbor.**

(You are invited to greet one another in peace.)

+GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME GTG 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

World without end, without end. Amen.

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As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

WEE WORSHIP AND BLESSING OF THE BACK PACKS AND SUPPLIES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: Open My Eyes that I May See GTG 451

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 20:1-16 (*The Message*)

MESSAGE *"Glory to God in the High St."* Rev. John Dillon

+HYMN 314: CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All Sing: **We are praying, Lord, we are praying.
We are praying, Lord, we are praying.
We are men, women, we are children,
and Lord, we are praying.**

So let the rains go, let the healing river flow.

Let justice roll like waters.

**Let the days begin, when new life enters in,
and let your Kingdom come.**

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

+ 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

+HYMN 767: TOGETHER WE SERVE

+SENDING

One Worship Service at 10AM next Sunday, August 26th
followed by the Neighborhood Potluck at 11:15AM
One Worship Service at 10AM on Sunday, September 2nd

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

NURSERY CARE is provided during all worship services. Infants and pre-kindergarten children are welcomed there by our trained staff.

FLOWERS are given by Mike and Cindy Harvey in celebration of their 38th anniversary.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE! Details of all church events, meetings etc. are available online at www.rclpc.org. Printed copies are available from the ushers.