

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



# Ridgefield-Crystal Lake Presbyterian Church

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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**5th Sunday after Epiphany**  
**February 10, 2019 | 11:00**

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

## WE GATHER

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE!

+ALL SING: WE GATHER IN GRACE

**We gather in grace, where friends in Christ abide.**

**We gather in grace, with hearts and arms that are open wide.**

**We gather in the ever-widening circle of God's grace.**

**We gather in grace, God's holy grace.**

+CALL TO WORSHIP (*based on Psalm 18*)

One: O Lord, our God, we come to praise you.

**All: O Lord, our rock, our fortress, our deliverer,  
may we find our place in this sanctuary,  
and know that we are gathered in a place of  
safety and welcome.**

One: Let us worship the Lord!

+HYMN 301: ALL ARE WELCOME

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us make our own silent confession before the Lord.

~ *silence* ~

One: Deliver us, O God, from our fears and doubts.

Deliver us from the temptations we face each day.

Deliver us from the falsehoods

that might sometimes seem so real.

**All: Merciful Father, support us as we each strive  
to build the foundations of our faith on your word.**

One: When we are weak, you bring strength.

When we are afraid, you shield us from harm.

When we are sliding from your ways, you hold us tight.

**All: Help us, O Lord, to continue to feel secure in Christ,  
our rock and salvation.**

One: Help us today and tomorrow to build and support our  
church and the community it seeks to serve.

**All: Grant that we should leave solid foundations for  
generations to come. Amen.**

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PASSING THE PEACE

One: Christ is our peace and reconciles us to God.  
In our confession, we are promised God's mercy,  
and are assured that God's grace  
will follow us all the days of our lives.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and  
granted his peace. Thanks be to God.**

One: You are invited to greet one another in peace.

+ALL SING: WE GROW IN GRACE

**We grow in grace, when we hear The Word.  
We grow in grace, when we practice what we've heard.  
We grow within the ever-widening circle of God's grace.  
We grow in grace, God's holy grace.**

**WE GROW**

WEE WORSHIP

ANTHEM *Become God's Story* text Tom Long; music: Allen Pote

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 6:43-49

MESSAGE *Marathon Running* Rev. John Dillon

+HYMN: THE HOUSE OF GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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: The Love of the Lord Douglas E. Wagner  
*(commissioned for the 150th  
birthday celebration of our church)*

+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**

+HYMN 315: IN THE MIDST OF NEW DIMENSIONS

+SENDING

+CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: WE GO IN GRACE

**We go in grace, in the footsteps of our Lord.  
We go in grace, to be God's hands working in the world.  
We go to spread the ever-widening circle of God's grace.  
We go in grace, God's holy grace.  
We gather, we grow, and we go in grace.**

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

FLOWERS are given by **Kim Stewart** in celebration of RCLPC's 180th anniversary.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE! Details of all church events, meetings etc. are available online at [www.rclpc.org](http://www.rclpc.org). Printed copies are available from the ushers.