

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



Ridgefield-Crystal Lake Presbyterian Church

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7th Sunday of Easter
June 2, 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

INTROIT: HEAVEN AND EARTH

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE!

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: When we ignore the world's needs and pain,

All: God invites us into the land of real service and faith.

One: When we think we have trapped
the eternal in a box of our making,

All: God shakes us to the core.

One: When we recognize our need
for God's transformation in our lives,

All: God invites us to worship in truth and love.

+HYMN 401: HERE IN THIS PLACE

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

~ *silence* ~

One: Mysterious, invisible God,
Jesus is to be our guide to your nature.

**All: So then, some things are clear: you love justice and
hate oppression; you hate hypocrisy, and model for us
in him complete integrity and authenticity.**

One: You make a habit of toppling the proud,
and lifting up the downtrodden; you see through all our
lies and pretending, to the truth of who we really are;
you are not interested in making people "religious",
but in seeing us become fully human.

**All: You are not impressed by how well we keep the rules,
but by how generously we love. By that measure,
O God, we fall woefully short, every one of us.**

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PASSING THE PEACE

One: Friends, believe the good news,

All: in the risen Christ, we are forgiven.

One: In the peace of Christ, hear one another,
see one another, care for one another,
and love one another. Let us share his peace.

+REACH OUT YOUR HAND IN PEACE

Lucy Smith

WE GROW

WEE WORSHIP

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

ANTHEM: I OFTEN DANCE

Gary Hallquist

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 23:13-36

MESSAGE

"Honors and Woes"

Rev. John Dillon

+HYMN 174: COME AND SEEK THE WAYS OF WISDOM

OFFERING: CALL OF WISDOM

Will Todd

+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.**

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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

We are celebrating communion by intinction. Everyone is invited to come forward down the center aisle, receive a piece of bread (or ask for gluten-free bread), dip it in the cup, and eat. You may return to your seat down the side aisles. The bread and the cup will be brought to those who cannot or do not wish to come forward. We have an open table. Everyone is welcome.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Having received the sacrament, let us stand and together affirm our faith. In gratitude, deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to you, Christ our Lord.

+All: Take us out to live as changed people, because we have shared the living bread and cannot remain the same. Refreshed by the source of life, ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us. So, Lord, may we live both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

+HYMN 157: I DANCED IN THE MORNING

+SENDING

+CHORAL RESPONSE: GAELIC BLESSING

John Rutter

*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.

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