

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



# Ridgefield-Crystal Lake Presbyterian Church

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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**14th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**September 15, 2019 | 9:00**

*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!

QUEST: WE GATHER: WORSHIP AND BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

+CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God of the powerless, we come before you today.

**Men: God of the marginalized, we come before you today  
leaving our sense of privilege at the door.**

**Women: *God of the abused, we come before you today  
leaving our sense of power at the door.***

One: We come to worship a God who does not exploit the poor,  
the powerless, the marginalized, female or male,  
but loves and welcomes all.

+O SING TO THE LORD (*verses 1-3*)

GTG 637

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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

*~ silence ~*

One: Great God of love, you created us for love,  
called us to share love and to mirror in our relationships  
the kindness, care and generosity that you show us.

**All: We have good intentions, but we fall short of being  
truly loving. We look out for number one, focus on  
being the best and take lightly the needs of others.**

One: When harmed or ignored, we look for ways to get back,  
pay back, or turn our backs.

**All: Save us from a narrow preoccupation  
with self that ignores all others.  
Teach us to be good friends and faithful companions  
as we follow the way of Christ. In his name. Amen.**

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND PASSING THE PEACE

One: Christ is our peace and reconciles us to God.

All: In baptism, we are promised God's mercy  
and are assured that God's grace  
will follow us all the days of our lives.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

One: Let us share Christ's gift of peace.

+SUNG RESPONSE: ALABARÉ Manuel José Alonso and José Pagán

Alabaré, alabaré, alabaré a mi Señor.

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O come and sing! O come and sing!

Come, sing your praises to the Lord.

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## WE GROW

### WEE WORSHIP

GOD'S LOVE IS FOR EVERYBODY

words and music:

Bryan Moyer Suderman CH 4

God's love is for ev - ery - bo - dy, ev - ery - one a - round the world;  
you and me and all — God's child - ren from a - cross the street to a -  
- round the world, a - cross the street to a - round the world.

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the staff: D, Bm, G, A7, Bm, D/F#, G, A7, D, Bm, G, A7, D/F#, G, D.

### THE WORD, SPOKEN AND SUNG

PSALM 19:1-10, 14

from *The Complete Psalms*

by Pamela Greenberg and Sons of Korah

**WORD PROCLAIMED**

MESSAGE

“Cross-Roads”

Rev. John Dillon

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: *I AM*

Mark Schultz

+DOXOLOGY:

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.**

**WE GO**

+*BE NOW MY VISION*

arr. Chuck Marohnic

+SENDING

*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 **Jan Schwanke** in loving memory of my dear Art Schwanke.

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.

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the firmament tells of the work of your hands.  
Day after day overflows with speech;  
night after night breathes out knowledge.

**All: There is no word or phrase  
in which the voice of your creation is not heard.  
Throughout all the earth, rope  
of their hopefulness goes forth,  
and their words reach the end  
of the world's long stretch of the land.**

One: The sun makes a tent for them  
and like a groom rushes forth  
from the canopy of marriage.  
It springs up like an athlete  
ready to run a race.

**All: From the edge of the sky, you bring it;  
its sweep continues until the horizon's long  
stretch of the land.  
Nothing remains untouched by its warmth.**

One: The law of the Lord is perfect  
reviving the soul, the soul.  
The ways of the Lord can be trusted  
making wise the simple, the humble.  
The precepts of the Lord, they are right  
giving joy unto the heart.  
The commands of the Lord are radiant,  
giving light to the eyes, to my eyes.  
The fear of God is pure forever.  
The word of God is sure and right.

They are more precious, even more than gold,  
sweeter than the honey from the comb.

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be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my rock, my redeemer.

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