

## Willow Springs Worship September 27, 2020

### Call to Worship:

**Leader:** Though we were once dead in our trespasses and sins,

**People:** God, being rich in mercy,

**L:** Because of the great love with which he loved us, made us alive together with Christ.

**ALL: By grace we have been saved!**

**L:** Though we now await his appearing from heaven,

**P:** God has raised us up with Christ,

**L:** And seated us with him in the heavenly places,

The day is coming when all will see the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us who believe in Christ Jesus.

**ALL: By grace we have been saved through faith!**

**L:** This is not our own doing; it is the gift of God.

**P:** Not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

**L:** For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God has prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**P:** By grace we will do good works, walking this path.

**ALL: Grace brings us from bondage to Life!**

### Song

**Prayer of Confession:** Lord God, we know, "This is the judgment, that the light has come into the world, for people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil."

Help us uncover our offending, slipping and drifting before your liberating light of Christ.

Merciful God, we confess the nonsense of our sin and the hypocrisy of our complaints.

We grumble about the evils in our world, even as we commit injustices and profit through deceit.

We fret about the scarcity of resources while hoarding earth's goods and cheating the poor.

We protest and complain about the problems of our world, but we do not actively pray and work to address them.

Merciful God, expose our sins before the light of your grace.

Forgive us. Heal our pain and free us from our foolish ways that we me know the joy of eternal life in you, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

### Words of Assurance:

Indeed, God did **not** send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

For if the Son sets you free, you are free indeed!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**All: Thanks to Our Lord and God!**

### Song