

# Order of Worship

Ascension Sunday

May 12, 2024 10:00 AM

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Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.

Please fill out the red attendance pad located at the end of each pew.

*\* At this sign you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

**Prelude**

**Nocturne, Op. 54, No. 4**

Edvard Grieg

Annelisa Crabtree, piano

**Welcome**

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

**Greeting**

Leader: Clap your hands and sing for joy!

**People: Christ is in our midst and in our lives.**

Leader: Clap your hands and sing for joy!

**People: Christ calls us to worship and praise.**

**All: Let's worship together!**

**Hymn**

**Salt and Light**

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: The act of confessing our sin is not simply a recitation of our faults and wrongs, but also an opportunity to receive God's mercy and share in that abundant grace.

Confident of God's love for us, let us offer our prayers, first in silence.

*Offer silent prayers of confession.*

Leader: Holy God, we ask for your help, your power, your Spirit, so that we can amend our lives and grow more each day into the image of Christ.

**People: We confess that we fear what is different.**

**We confess that it's easier to lock the doors of our community than to receive those who don't look like we look, love like we love, or vote the way we vote.**

**We confess that we have not lived out your call to share in abundant life and unconditional love.**

Leader: We believe that you have the power to turn us around  
to a more inclusive way of living, so we ask you to do that.  
We ask you to give us the courage to change.  
We ask that you give us the energy, intelligence, imagination,  
and love to be your people in all we say and do.

**All: Amen.**

**Words of Forgiveness**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;  
that proves God's love toward us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

**Anthem**

**Go Tell**

Lois R. Brokering

Cherub Choir

**Children's Message**

**Scripture**

**Acts 1:1-11**

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**Here and Beyond**

Rev. Wines

**Prayer of the People**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

**Offering**

*You are invited to make your offering to support the ministry and mission of Clarendon UMC.*

*You may text to give at 84321 or go to the Online Worship page of our website  
and click "Make your online offering."*

**Sending Forth**

**Hymn**

**O Jesus, I Have Promised**

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**Benediction**

Rev. Wines

Postlude

**Fantasie No. 5**

W.A. Mozart

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

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