

Order of Worship

August 11, 2024 10:00 AM

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

Prelude

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

Greeting

Leader: Out of the depths we cry to you, O God.

People: Hear our voices!

Leader: We wait for you;

People: in your word we hope.

Leader: O magnify our God with me.

People: Let us lift God's name together!

Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Prayer of Confession

Leader: O Lord, we cry out to you!

We cry out for help:

People: when we turn away from you;

when we ignore the needs of our neighbors;

when we speak harsh words to those around us;

when we forget that we are your beloved children.

Leader: Draw us close and embrace us with your steadfast love
and your healing grace.

In your merciful name, we pray.

People: Amen.

Words of Assurance

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Leader: Beloved children of God,
the Lord offers wholeness
and new life to those who seek it.

In the name of Christ, you are one with God! Thanks be to God!

People: Amen.

Anthem

Laudate Dominum

W.A. Mozart

Children's Message

Scripture

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Fragrant Offering

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Prayer of the People

Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

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Loving God, who watches over us like a parent, delighting in our happiness and weeping over all the ways we harm one another, guide us. Nurture us. Empower us to be your peacemakers and mercy-bringers in this world. **(REFRAIN)**

Merciful God, our world is full of war, violence, injustice, and oppression. We are surrounded on all sides by misinformation, half-truths, and lies. Give us courage to tell the truth of your love, to protect the innocent, and to resist evil in every way it presents itself. **(REFRAIN)**

Gracious God, our neighborhoods are full of people who are struggling. Struggling to make ends meet, struggling to find stability, struggling to find community. Empower us to notice, to reach out, and to love our neighbors as you have called us to love. **(REFRAIN)**

God of Hope, our lives are filled with so many reasons for despair. Loneliness abounds, uncertainty overwhelms, and suffering feels constant. Fill us with the warmth of your love and inspire us to extend a hand, a hug, a smile, a gesture of connection in a disconnected world. **(REFRAIN)**

In the name of the Triune God who gives, receives, and extends Love to all. Amen.

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

Forever

Benediction

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

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