

Order of Worship

November 13, 2022 10:00 AM

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

Prelude

Piece Heroique

César Franck

Mark Frazier, organ

Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

***Greeting**

Leader: Praise the Lord, whose anger has turned away.

People: We will trust and not be afraid.

Leader: The Lord is our strength and our song.

People: God comforts us in our time of need.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord

People: for God has done great things!

***Hymn**

Great Things

***Opening Prayer**

Holy God,

there is no place to turn for the comfort we desire;

no place, but to you alone.

Bless us this day, that we might be a blessing to others.

Bless us this day, that we might be faithful witnesses

to life in Christ Jesus, our redeemer and Lord.

In our songs and prayers,

in our scriptures and spoken words,

reveal your purposes through the power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Anthem

Plan for Me

John Delich/Casey Darnell

Cherub Choir

Children's Message

Scripture**Isaiah 12**

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon**Our Strength and Our Song**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Prayer of the People**The First Song of Isaiah**

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Kind Creator, in the face of a world that feels on the brink of chaos, we take this opportunity to speak our gratitude that you know us and call us by name. In you, we find comfort. In you, we find meaning. We cling to your promise that there is a day coming where there will be no more tears, where we will not labor in vain. We also recognize that, through the Holy Spirit, we are called to work alongside you to bring about this new reality. And so, we pray for the world – not as it will be, but for what it is now.

We pray for those with the power to make decisions that affect others. We pray for all elected officials, especially those coming into leadership after this week's elections. We ask you to guide them, so that their compassion and love of justice will outweigh any other factor in their decision process. We also pray for the political divisions in America. Help us to balance in our hearts and minds, loving those who are different from us and fighting for what we believe is right. May all our actions be motivated by your Holy Spirit.

Refrain

We pray for the people of Ukraine, who don't have enough power to heat their country as they head into the cold months. We pray for the people of Russia, who are not being told the truth. We pray for the people of Uganda, who are fighting an outbreak of the Ebola virus. We pray for the people of South Korea, who mourn those who died in the Halloween stampede in Seoul. We pray for peaceful transitions of power in Israel and Brazil and around the world.

Refrain

God, we pray specifically for this community. Show us areas where there is a lack of justice, food, shelter, comfort and care, and direct our time and resources to those who are most in need. We lift up persons in our own family of faith who are ill, grief-stricken, overwhelmed, anxious, or lonely. Pour out your healing waters, bringing healing and hope.

Refrain

As the days grow shorter, show us your light, God. Help us to see the life, love, beauty and kindness that we encounter on a daily basis. May we cling to the hope you offer, remembering and rehearsing the history of our faith, which has been passed down by God's grace from generation to generation. We entrust our prayers to you, remembering the saints that have come before us and the love of Jesus Christ that empowers us. In Jesus' name we pray. **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."

***Hymn**

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

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Benediction

Rev. Wines

Postlude

Obra de falsas cromáticas de 1° tono

17th Cen. Anon.

Mark Frazier, organ

Today's flowers are given in honor of Jane and Dan Dixon and their many years of service to Clarendon UMC. We wish them well in their new home.

Given by Paul and Pam Gibert.

We welcome our guest instrumentalists Brandon Born and Andrew Musselman!

Brandon Born is a freelance guitarist studying jazz at the Peabody Institute in Baltimore, Maryland. He frequently plays jazz gigs and is the lead guitarist in the Elton John tribute band The Jets, based in Baltimore.

Andrew Musselman is a bass player from Fort Lauderdale, FL, who now lives in Washington DC. He performs all over the city including the Kennedy Center and also runs his own weekly residencies. More info can be found at andrewmusselmanmusic.com

Prayer of the People adapted from a prayer written by Rose Schrott Taylor, Presbyterian Outlook.

"Great Things"

words and music by Phil Wickham and Jonas Myrin

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