

Order of Worship

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 18, 2022 10:00 AM

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

Prelude **Coventry Carol** arr. Jefferey A. Hall
Chancel Ringers; Risa Browder, violin

Welcome Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

*Greeting

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song,
for God has done marvelous things!

**People: By the strength of your indwelling presence,
we, too, are called to do great things:
we are set free through God's forgiveness and truth.**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

**People: All the ends of the earth have seen
the glory of our God!**

***Hymn** **Hail to the Lord's Anointed** UMH 203

*Opening Prayer

**Transforming God,
you come to us in expected and unexpected ways,
desiring to be known yet remaining a mystery.
Make your presence known among us.
Comfort us.
Wrestle with us.
Change us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

Children's Message

Cantata **Fantasia of Christmas Carols** Ralph Vaughn Williams
Chancel Choir

Scripture

Matthew 1:18-25

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The World Is About to Turn
Week 4: Stirring Up Christmas

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Sermon Response

Canticle of the Turning

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn. Wipe a -

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way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to — turn.

Prayer of the People

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

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**

O Come, O Come

***Benediction**

Rev. Wines

Postlude

Masters In This Hall
Chapel Bells

arr. Kevin McChesney

Opening prayer written by Rev. Susan A. Blain, in To Dream God's Dream: Service Prayers for the Second Sunday of Advent