

# Order of Worship

January 29, 2023 10:00 AM

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

**Prelude** **Gabriel's Oboe** arr. Frédéric Quinet

**Welcome** Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

## **\*Greeting**

Leader: Gathered here as God's people,

**People: let us give thanks to God with our whole heart!**

Leader: God is gracious and merciful.

**People: Come, let us worship the God of mercy, justice & love!**

**\*Hymn** **Across the Lands**

## **\*Opening Prayer**

Loving God,

we come this morning seeking to abide in your presence.

Open our minds to your spirit of wisdom,

that we may know how to live as your people.

Open our hearts to your spirit of truth,

that with our lives we may offer a love

that speaks of justice, kindness, and deep grace.

May our worship today be pleasing to you

as we draw near in faith and thanksgiving. Amen.

**Anthem** **Jesus Is Amazing!** Traditional/Gibbs-Smith  
Cherub Choir

## **Children's Message**

**Scripture** **Matthew 5:1-12**

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** **Blessed** Rev. Nilse 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."*

## **Celebration of Retirement**

**Julie Wright**

Leader: For everything there is a season,  
a time for every matter under heaven.  
So, too, there is a time for movement,  
new adventure, new opportunities.  
With love, we send you forth in God's strong and protecting hands.

**People: We feel sorrow in your leaving,  
yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of this new phase of your life.  
Go into the world and respond to the love of Christ in all you do.  
Live out the vision God has given you.  
May God's mercy, grace, and peace be with you always.**

**\*Hymn**

**Make Me a Channel of Your Peace**

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**\*Benediction**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

**Postlude**

**Prelude on "Deo Gracias"**

Healy Willan

Mark Frazier, organ