

Order of Worship

November 12, 2023 10:00 AM

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

Prelude

Jesus Loves Me
Clarendon Ringers

William Bradbury
arr. Fran Trezona

Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

Greeting

Leader: Today God's word will be spoken to your hearts.

People: Open our ears and our hearts to receive God's word.

Leader: Today God's love will be poured into your life.

People: Prepare us, Lord, to receive your love.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

People: Let us worship God with grateful praise!

Hymn

He Is Exalted

TFWS 2070

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Merciful God, we confess that we neglect to acknowledge you as God in our lives.

People: We live like we have complete control over our own future.

Leader: We forget that you created us and that we are the sheep of your pasture.

People: We separate ourselves from the flock and abandon our bonds with one another as we try to do it all on our own.

Leader: We have traded gratitude for individualism and thanksgiving for self-reliance.

People: Forgive us, we pray, and free us to live as your grateful people. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Leader: Receive the good news:

God's steadfast love endures forever!

While we were yet sinners, God made a way for us

to return to God and to return to one another.

By God's grace, we are a forgiven and reconciled people.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Anthem

Psalm 100
Children's Choir

Kenney Potter

Children's Message

Scripture

Psalm 100

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Always and Everywhere

Rev. Wines

Prayer of the People

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Leader: God of the living,
with all your creatures, great and small
we sing your bounty and your goodness,
for in the harvest of land and ocean,
in the cycles of the seasons,
and the wonders of each creature,
you reveal your generosity.
Teach us the gratitude that dispels envy,
that we may honor each gift as you cherish your creation,
and praise you in all times and places.
That this day may be holy, good, and joyful:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord.

Leader: That we may offer to you our worship and praise along
with the work of our hands, minds, and hearts:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord.

Leader: That we may strive for the well-being of all creation:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord.

Leader: That in the pleasures and pains of life,
we may know the love of Christ and be thankful:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord.

Leader: That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit,
in communion with all your holy ones,
entrusting one another and all our life to Christ:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord.

Leader: That we may always and everywhere give thanks to you, O God,
for all of our blessings and giftedness:

People: we pray in gratitude to you, O Lord. Amen.

Offering

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

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and click "Make your online offering."*

It is not too late to complete your 2024 Commitment Card.

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Sending Forth

Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

UMH 92

Benediction

Postlude

Toccata in E minor

Johann Pachelbel

Diann Clark, organ

Welcome to guest organist/pianist, **Diann Clark**! Since age 10, Diann has held church organist positions in Oklahoma, Kansas, Virginia, and North Carolina. Currently a member of the American Guild of Organists and the Richmond Music Teachers Association, she is also a nationally certified teacher of the Music Teachers National Association.

Before moving to Richmond in March 2023, Diann served as music associate/organist for fifteen years at Providence Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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Prayer of the People: Christian Brothers of the Midwest, www.cbmidwest.org

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