

# Order of Worship

March 24, 2024 10:00 AM

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

## GATHERING

**Prelude**

**Fanfare**

Jacques Lemmens

Annelisa Crabtree, organ

**Welcome**

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

## Greeting

Leader: We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

**People: We will journey with joy shouting words of praise;  
we will travel with courage through betrayal and death,  
we will cradle hope deep in our hearts.**

Leader: Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow,  
for he is the life we long for,  
he is the Word who sustains us.

**People: We wave palm branches in anticipation;  
we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.**

Leader: Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes:  
modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

**All: Hosanna! Hosanna!  
Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God!**

## JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

**Hymn**

**All Glory, Laud, and Honor**

UMH 280

## Prayer of Confession

Leader: Holy One, humble us as we come to you in prayer.  
Uncover the masks that obscure our vision  
and keep us from facing our true selves.

**People: Hold us close in our weakness,  
that we may find the courage to lean on your grace  
and rest in your forgiveness.**

Leader: Bless us with humility, love, and mercy,  
that we may be merciful, humble, and loving  
to everyone we meet, even ourselves.

**All: Amen**

### **Words of Assurance**

Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Leader: God's face of love shines upon us.  
Christ's eyes of forgiveness gaze upon our souls  
with mercy and compassion.  
The Spirit's sustenance offers us grace and hope,  
that we may rise and walk forth in joy.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### **Anthem**

**Ride On, Ride On in Majesty**  
Chancel Choir

Mark Shepperd

### **Children's Message**

**Mark 11:1-11**

### **Offering**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

*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."*

## **THE STORY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD**

### **Prayer (in unison)**

**Loving God,**  
**as we hear your word today, draw us into the events of our Savior's passion.**  
**Let us see how the palms of honor and the shouts of praise**  
**get dried and twisted into cries for a crucifixion.**  
**Let us feel the pains of denial, the rocks of betrayal and the dark night of prayer.**  
**Let us feel the heavy weight of the cross and know Christ carried it for us.**  
**Holy God, place us in the story so we might see our weakness,**  
**but learn of your grace.**  
**Take us through the twists and turns on the road to Calvary**  
**and lead us to the glory of the empty tomb that lies beyond. Amen.**

### **Scripture**

**The Passover with the Disciples**  
**Mark 14:1-21**

**Scripture**

**The Betrayal and Trial**

**Mark 14:26-15:15**

**Anthem**

**Must Jesus Bear the Cross**

George N. Allen

Chancel Choir

African-American Spiritual

arr. Joseph Martin

**Scripture**

**The Crucifixion and Burial of Jesus**

Rev. Wines

**Matthew 15:16-47**

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sending Forth**

Rev. Wines

**Hymn**

**Lead Me to the Cross**

see songsheet

**Benediction**

Rev. Wines

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*<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning/depths-of-love/palm-passion-sunday-year-b-lectionary-planning-notes>*

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