Order of Worship

Steadfast Love: A Lenten Playlist

March 16, 2025 10:00 AM

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

Prelude O God, Our Help In Ages Past arr. Frances Callahan

Clarendon Ringers

Welcome Rev. Tracy McNeil Wines

Greeting

Leader: Children of God, when you are surrounded on every side

by shadows that frighten and voices that deride and confuse,

what do you say?

People: God is our light and our salvation! Whom shall we fear?

Leader: When threats bombard you from every corner,

stealing the security and peace you long for,

what do you say?

People: God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?

Leader: When anxiety and loneliness overwhelm

and you do not know who or what to trust any more,

what do you say?

People: Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage;

wait for the Lord!

Leader: Because God knows our suffering. God makes a home among us,

welcoming us to come home to God and one another.

People: Come! Let us worship God who hides us in the day of trouble and

conceals us together under the cover of the tent of Love.

Hymn We Sing to You, O God

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We live in the shadow of peace, O God,

but too often, we face the shadow and not the light.

We pray for peace today because we know we are not a whole people without it.

Forgive us our warring madness, our abuse of power,

and our disregard of the rights of others.

Lift from us the burden of the need always to be in control. Teach us the ways of mutual love for all people. Help us to give peace a chance. Amen.

Words of Assurance Rev. Wines

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. May the God of

mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us all in goodness, and by

the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

People: Amen.

Michael Bedford Anthem The Lord Is My Light

Children's Choir

Children's Message

Luke 13:31-35 Scripture

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Conceal Me Rev. Wines

Prayer of the People Fran Underwood

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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."

Sending Forth

Jesus, We Love You Hymn see songsheet

Benediction Rev. Wines

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