

Order of Worship

October 26, 2025 10:00 AM

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

Prelude

Etude
Clarendon Ringers

Michael Joy

Welcome

Rev. Rodrigo Dacri Lima

Greeting

Leader: Loving God, by awesome deeds you have delivered us.

All: O you who answer prayer! To you all hearts shall turn.

Leader: Hope of the ends of the earth, you have established the mountains.

All: O you who answer prayer! To you all hearts shall turn.

Leader: You visit the earth and water it. The river of God is full of water.

All: O you who answer prayer! To you all hearts shall turn.

Leader: Your footsteps overflow with richness. All creation sings for joy.

All: O you who answer prayer! To you all hearts shall turn.

Hymn

How Firm A Foundation

Prayer of Confession

Leader: The grace of God is with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Trusting in God's tender mercy, we open ourselves in honesty to God.

**All: God of love, help us to see ourselves with the eyes of love,
to see all that is in us that is loving, and all that is not loving.
By the grace you show us in Christ,
forgive us, heal us, and perfect your love in us.
God, be merciful to me, a sinner. [Silent prayer...]**

Words of Assurance

Rev. Scott Duncan Hopkins

Leader: We give our hearts to you, O God,
creator of all that is and all that is to come.
You made all things by your Word, and declared them good.
You breathed your Spirit into all humans and declared them very good.
Rejoice, for God has mercy upon us in our sin,
and holds us close to God's heart.

Psalm

Psalm 84:1-12

Rev. Lima

Anthem

I Dream of a Church

Mark A. Miller

Children's Choir

Soloists: Lexi Wimmer, Maeve Larrey, Claire Gould, Katherine Chalmers

Children's Message

Scripture

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Faithful God In Every Season of the Soul

Rev. Hopkins

Reception of New Member

INTRODUCTION AND PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBER

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

The pastor addresses the person coming into membership and their sponsors.

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,

Reject the evil powers of this world,

and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you

to resist evil, injustice, and oppression

in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior,

put your whole trust in his grace,

and promise to serve him as your Lord,

in union with the church which Christ has opened

to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you,

will you remain a faithful member of Christ's holy church

and serve as Christ's representative in the world?

I will.

The pastor addresses the sponsor:

Will you who sponsor this candidate

support and encourage her in her Christian life?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Do you, as Christ's body, the church,
reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include Sofia now
before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.**

We will surround Sofia

**with a community of love and forgiveness,
that she may grow in her trust of God,
and be found faithful in her service to others.**

**We will pray for her,
that she may be a true disciple
who walks in the way that leads to life.**

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith
as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments,

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
[who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.]**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
[the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.]**

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor addresses the person coming into membership.

As a member of Christ's universal church,
will you be loyal to Christ through the United Methodist Church,
and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

I will.

RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

As a member of this congregation,
will you faithfully participate in its ministries
by your prayers, your presences, your gifts,
your service, and your witness?

I will.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Members of the household of God,
I commend Sofia to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase her faith,
confirm her hope, and perfect her in love.

The congregation responds:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you
in the body of Christ
and in this congregation
of The United Methodist Church,**

**we renew our covenant
faithfully to participate
in the ministries of the church
by our prayers, our presence,
our gifts, our service, and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ.**

The pastor addresses the new member:

The God of all grace,
who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
that you may live in grace and peace.

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."*

Holy Communion

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

*In the United Methodist tradition, all who seek to lead a Christian life,
together with their children, are invited to receive communion.*

The Great Thanksgiving prayer is offered, concluding with:

All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

And now with the confidence of children of God,
let us pray as our Lord taught us:

Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory forever. Amen.

Sending Forth

Hymn

Only a Holy God

Benediction

Rev. Hopkins

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