

Order of Worship

April 12, 2026 10:00 AM

Welcome to this time of worship, as we gather in the name of Jesus Christ.
Please fill out the red attendance pad located at the end of each pew.

** At this sign you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

Prelude

Gospel of Grace

Mark Hayes

Steve McBride, piano

Welcome

Rev. Nilse Furtado-Gilliam

Greeting

Leader: Easter people, Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: Christ is risen indeed! Yet we will have our questions.
We will have moments of not knowing!

People: Within our questioning, Christ appears.

Leader: We may find ourselves like the other disciples,
witnesses of Christ's resurrection who struggle to understand
the doubt of others.

People: Within our certainty, Christ appears.

Leader: Whether you come to worship full of certainty or doubt,
you are welcome here, for we are all participants
in the story of God's grace-filled work in the world,
a story still unfolding all around us—
a story where we hold a very important part
beside one another and Christ in between us.

**People: We gather to worship, believing that in certainty and doubt,
the resurrected Christ dwells among us! Amen.**

Hymn

I Stand Amazed

Prayer of Confession

Leader: God's mercy is deeper than the depths of the sea,
and God's grace is wider than the whole of the earth.
Trusting in that mercy and that grace, let us make our confession,
before God and each other, first in silent prayer.

People: Holy God, we open our hearts to you this day,
and offer the truth of our lives:

the fear that stifles us,
the prejudice that impedes us,
the ignorance that hinders us,
the doubt that plagues us.

Help us, we pray, that we will find courage in unlikely places,
move to those places where love is needed,
and have faith that you are with us.

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Scott Duncan Hopkins

Leader: Hear the Good News: we are forgiven!
We are set free to go out into the world
and be the loving, gracious, hopeful people of God!

People: Alleluia! Amen.

Scripture

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Anthem

Still Waters

Leanna Crawford, Justin Richards
Jonathan Conrad Gamble

Children's Message

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Standing In The Light of Resurrection

Rev. Hopkins

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Offering

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

*You are invited to make your offering to support the ministry and mission of Clarendon UMC.
You may go to the Online Worship page of our website and click "Make your online offering."*

Holy Communion

Rodrigo Dacri Lima

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

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The pastor continues...

And so,

with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The pastor continues...

And so,

in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,

we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving

as a holy and living sacrifice,

in union with Christ's offering for us,

as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The pastor continues...

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

Rev. Furtado-Gilliam

Hymn

This Is Amazing Grace

Benediction

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