

# Order of Worship

June 28, 2026 10:00 AM

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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**

**Mediation**

Mark Williams

Steve McBride, organ

**Welcome**

Lisa Gibbs-Smith

**Greeting**

Leader: Holy God, you welcome us all.

**People: Your loving-kindness is a gift to all who receive it.**

Leader: Teach us your ways, reveal your promises,  
and let your Holy Spirit rest upon us.

**People: May we welcome one another as you welcome us,  
in the name of Christ, now and forever. Amen.**

**Hymn**

**He Leadeth Me**

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: God of love and justice,

We confess that we have not always loved as you call us to love.

**People: We confess the harm done in your name, especially to LGBTQ+ people:  
the exclusion, shame, silence, and fear  
that have wounded your beloved children.**

Leader: We confess, too, the ways we all fall short:

choosing comfort over courage, silence over justice, and fear over love.

**People: Forgive us. Transform us. Make us new. Heal where we are broken.  
Calm where we are angry. Empower where we are weak.  
Free our mind and open our hearts.**

Leader: Root us again in love, justice, and affirmation.

Make us a church where all people are safe, celebrated,  
and truly belong.

**People: In the name of Jesus, who welcomed all with courageous love, we pray.  
Amen.**

## Words of Forgiveness

Rev. Scott Duncan Hopkins

Leader: Beloved, hear this good news:  
God does not abandon us to shame.  
God does not leave us in the wilderness.  
God does not ask us to sacrifice our *beloved-ness* in order to be faithful.  
In Christ, the old powers do not get the final word.  
Fear does not get the final word.  
Exclusion does not get the final word.  
Bad theology that rejects does not get the final word.  
God's grace is still rising. God's Spirit is still making the church new.  
So stand tall, beloved. Breathe deep.  
You are forgiven. You are beloved. You are free.  
Thanks be to God.

**People: Amen**

## Children's Message

### Scripture

### Psalm 25 (NRSVUE)

Reader 1: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.  
O my God, in you I trust;  
do not let me be put to shame;  
do not let my enemies exult over me.  
Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;  
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

**People: Make me to know your ways, O Lord;  
teach me your paths.  
Lead me in your truth and teach me!**

Reader 2: For you are the God of my salvation;  
for you I wait all day long.  
Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,  
for they have been from of old.

**People: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me,  
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!**

Reader 1: Good and upright is the Lord;  
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.  
He leads the humble in what is right  
and teaches the humble his way.  
All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,

for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

**People: For your name's sake, O Lord,  
pardon my guilt, for it is great.**

Reader 1: Who are they who fear the Lord?  
He will teach them the way that they should choose.  
They will abide in prosperity,  
and their children shall possess the land.  
The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear him,  
and he makes his covenant known to them.

**People: My eyes are ever toward the Lord,  
for he will pluck my feet out of the net.**

Reader 1: Turn to me and be gracious to me,  
for I am lonely and afflicted.  
Relieve the troubles of my heart,  
and bring me out of my distress.

**People: Consider my affliction and my trouble,  
and forgive all my sins.**

Reader 2: Consider how many are my foes  
and with what violent hatred they hate me.  
O guard my life and deliver me;  
do not let me be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

**People: May integrity and uprightness preserve me,  
for I wait for you.  
Redeem Israel, O God, out of all its troubles.**

Reader 1: The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**Wherever We Stand We Are Met With Holiness**

Rev. Hopkins

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

*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**

Rev. Hopkins

*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**

Whitney Maine, Lay Leader

**Hymn**

**You Are a Light on My Path**

**Benediction**

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Acolytes: Aidan Christiaanse, Emmett Downing

Greeters: Dana Jackson

Communion Steward: Lisa White

Usher: Jon White