### Welcoming those with faith and with doubt

# CLARENDON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 EASTERTIDE | 100TH BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH!

Following the Spirit's call to go into the world with love, joy, and creativity, we are a community of faith following the way of Jesus in solidarity with marginalized and disenfranchised people doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God. We seek companions on the journey from all\* walks of life.

\*All means all: all races, ages, genders, orientations, classes, convictions and questions.

WELCOME, PRELUDE, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Taisha Estrada (she/her)

LAND AND LABOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT WITH GONG AND STATEMENT Andrew Wells-Dang (he/him) A land acknowledgment names the traditional Native inhabitants of the land you are in, in order to offer recognition and respect; to cultivate a deeper awareness of the history that has led to the present moment; and to create an opportunity for reflection on our responsibilities as descendants of that history. We acknowledge that we live and worship on the Native lands of the Piscataway, Nacotchtank, and Pamunkey peoples, among others, and we pay our respects to elders past and present, known and unknown. We also recognize that many inequities of money and power in the place we know as

Arlington are based on past and present racial injustice, including the stolen labor of people of African

descent.

Giang Wells-Dang (she/her)

CALL TO WORSHIP

God of Unfolding

God of Becoming

God of Transforming

God of Revelation

God of Revolution

Ancient God of Beginning Again:

We celebrate your Creative and Creating Love!

Lead us in Your ways of Expansive Life.

Hymn

#388 Come All You People

Taisha Estrada

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PRESENCE

Rev. Alice Rose Tewell (she/her)

Holy One, We desire to build communities that support us in whatever changes we face, permanent or temporary, bodily or spiritually. Fill our hearts with your Wisdom, that we might co-create Ways of Life, accessible to all. May our structures and our hearts be free from ableism that all can thrive among us. Amen

## ASSURANCE, PRAISE AND PEACE

Know that you are forgiven and abundantly loved by God. May the peace of Christ that passes all understanding be with you. **And also with you.** 

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING, 100 YEAR GIVING AND REDEVELOPMENT

James Fisher (he/him), Treasurer and Jenifer Huckabone (she/her), Session In our most vulnerable moments - spiritually, materially, relationally - Christ manifests in community embrace. In shared food. In listening ears. In acts of solidarity and moral witness. Let us bring our offerings together, so that we may meet and be met by the living Christ.

HISTORY | CELEBRATING MEMBERS - OVER 30 YEARS | CELEBRATING - JOINING IN THE LAST 5 YEARS | CELEBRATING MIDDLE YEAR MEMBERS 6-29 YEARS!

Ron Bookbinder (he/him) and Kristine Schnarr (she/her), Deacons and Michael Barnett (he/him), Session

**OFFERTORY** Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

Taisha Estrada

#### CELEBRATING IMPACTO LGBT

Victor Claros, Odir Miranda and Tom Villa (all he/him), Session & IMPACTO with Alice

# PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Giang Wells-Dang (she/her)

Living Christ, bless our offerings to shared meals, soulful connections, and spaces of rest. May all people be cared for. May we live in compassionate relationships with each other and the earth. Amen.

GLORIA (NICHOLS)

We are the people who have walked in the darkness; we've seen a great light (x2) Let the whole world cry 'Hallelujah!' (x3) Gloria!

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 23

Giang and Andrew Wells-Dang

TIME WITH CHILDREN AND THOSE YOUNG AT HEART

Rev. Alice Tewell (she/her)

HYMN #66 Everytime I feel the Spirit

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:36b-48

Rev. Bronwen Boswell (she/her)

SERMON Rev. Bronwen Boswell

HYMN #399 God Welcomes All

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER WITH BLESSINGS

Rev. Alice Tewell

BENEDICTION Rev. Bronwen Boswell

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"We are a People of Hope" (Wayne/ Gordon)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thank you for worshiping with us today!

An all-gender, single stall bathroom is outside the sanctuary. Other all gender bathrooms are throughout the church. | Do you get our weekly newsletter, the e-blast? Please contact Pastor Alice and ask to be added! Thanks. | Our liturgy is from Enfleshed. | Please join us to celebrate after church today! We are also serving a meal at New Hope Housing today at 4:45 pm!