

Worship at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church January 7th, 2024
Livestream Link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QWtdOiNvCvI>

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEDITATION MUSIC:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

OPENING SONG: *Here I am to worship*

(Michael W. Smith)

- ♫ *Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you
Chorus: So, Here I am to worship! Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that you're my God
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether won – der – fulto me.*

CHILDREN'S TIME : #143 *Infant holy*

(Polish trad carol)

- ♫ *Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall;
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the babe is Lord of all.
Swift are winging angels singing, nowells ringing, tidings bringing:
Christ the babe is Lord of all. Christ the babe is Lord of all.*
2. *Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new,
saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing greet the morrow:
Christ the babe was born for you. Christ the babe was born for you.*

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

- ♫ *Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, & to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, Amen*

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 2:9b-11 1 Chronicles 29 (selected verses)

Reader: Lise Clark

This is the word of the Lord - ...thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "Truly Giving"

COMMUNION:

† **Invitation:**

† **Carol:** #161 *What child is this?*

(William Chatterton Dix)

† **Apostle's creed:**

† **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving:** (responses)

- *The Lord be with you, And with you also. 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 God thanks and praise.*
- *Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are fully of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*
- *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

† **Lord's Prayer: (sung)**

- 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

† **Sharing the Gifts:**

I invite you now, to come forward – using the centre aisle, to receive communion – and I was thinking that a year ago, I was blessed to be cruising a fiord in Antarctica – so aware of God's creation and light...I thought I would share some pics and video again from that trip as we share in communion today and as we listen to Paul (and the musicians) offer music, and together share in these saving gifts given to us by God.

† **Closing Prayer:**

CLOSING HYMN: #173 *We three kings*

(John H. Hopkins)

BENEDICTION:

BLESSING SONG: *Go now in peace*

(Don Besig)

POSTLUDE: