Worship at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church April 7th, 2024

Livestream Youtube link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DYo_vDO2n7Y

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEDITATION MUSIC: CALL TO WORSHIP:

One: We are humbled as we witness the spectacle of your design.

Many: We pause to consider our own unique part in your universe.

One: You created each of us to be an important contribution to your vast cosmos.

Many: And each of our actions participates in the health of your creation.

One: We stand in awe before this display.

Many: We unite in praise of your loving hand, guiding the moon around the earth.

One: As day is seemingly brought to night

Many: we are reminded of your power to transform and heal.

One: As the moon travels before our eyes

Many: we wonder: You, who can move an object a third of the size of the earth, can you move our own fears, our limitations, our wars, from night to day?

One: Today, bring us to a deeper understanding of your power.

Many: Today, unite us as one human family, committing to work together toward the peace and wholeness of your creation.

All: May your shalom travel throughout the universe. Amen.

<u>OPENING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER: (sung)</u>

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:

OPENING SONG: #247 Christ the Lord is risen today! (vs 1&3 (Charles Wesley)
CHILDREN'S TIME: #260 Alleluia give thanks (vs 1&2) (Donald Fishel)

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

Anthem: #717 We cannot own the sunlit sky!

(Ruth Duck)

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

EASTER SEASON SERMON SERIES: (April 7-May21st)

Resurrection Stories: Unlock Yours (created by Worship Design Studios)

INTRODUCTORY WORDS WEEKLY REFRAIN:

Prise up in us and we will rise from death into a newfound life from bondage freed, from harm released, from illness healed, as one in peace. When all is lost our hearts are warmed, our hope restored, our lives transformed. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SCRIPTURES: John 11:17-44 (NRSV)

Reader: Iain McNicol

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

VIDEO #1: "Raised" (Adam's story)

LINKING RESURRECTION VIDEO TO OUR FAITH:

COMMUNION:

INVITATION:

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

INSTITUTION AND SHARING OF THE GIFTS:

(we will gather in groups round the communion table to receive communion today)

CLOSING HYMN: #407 Praise my soul (vs 1, 3 &5) (Henry Francis Lyte)

BENEDICTION:

BLESSING SONG: Go now in peace (Don Besig)

POSTLUDE: