

Worship page: April 24th, 2022
Worship link: <https://youtu.be/Q9DVm8Es4l8>

PRELUDE:

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEDITATION MUSIC: *We cannot own the sunlit sky* (Ruth Duck)

CALL TO WORSHIP:

OPENING HYMN: #249 *The day of resurrection* (John of Damascus)

♪ *The day of resurrection: earth, tell it out abroad,
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God!
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth its song begin;
let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein;
invisible and visible, their notes together blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.*

CHILDREN'S TIME: *Halle – lu – jah!* (Caribbean traditional)

♪ *Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!*

LORD'S PRAYER:

SCRIPTURE: Genesis 1 & 2 selected; John 20:19-23

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

PRAYERS: #716 *Pray for the wilderness* (Daniel Charles Damon)

In our prayers today, I will use a prayer for Earth day, written by our denomination's Justice committee. Let us pray:

♪ *Pray for the wilderness, vanishing fast, pray for the rain forest, open and vast; pray for the waterfalls, pray for the trees, pray for the planet brought down by degrees.*

We pray for people whose lives and homelands are threatened by the exploitation....

♪ *Work for the justice created things need, work for the health of each plant & seed; work for the creatures abuse has betrayed, work for the garden God's wisdom once made.*

We are here as your children, as inhabitants of one earth. Help us to...

♪ *Pray for the atmosphere, pray for the sea, learn from the river, the rock and the tree; work till shalom is full harmony rings, trust the connection of all living things.*

O God, as we come today in this holy time, and we each have prayers ...AMEN

ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS:

♪ *Trust that God's Christ over came nails and wood, trust that earth's people will turn to good; trust that creation forever will grow, trust that God's goodness to us overflows!*

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS: *Glory to God*

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

MESSAGE: "Sent out to tend"

CLOSING HYMN: #248 *At the dawning*

(Jock Curle)

♪ *At the dawning of salvation; in the morning of the world,
Christ is raised, a living banner by the love of God unfurled,
Through the daylight, through the darkness,
Christ leads on his great array:
all the saints and all the sinners he has gathered on his way.*

*He is risen in the morning, he is risen from the dead;
he is laughter after sadness, he is light when night has fled.
He has suffered, he has triumphed, life is his alone to give:
as he gave it once he gives it evermore, that we may live.*

*For the glory of salvation in the dawn of Easter day
we will praise you, loving Father; we rejoice to sing and pray
with the Son and with the Spirit lead us on, your great array,
saints and sinners celebrating your triumphant love today!*

BENEDICTION

BLESSING SONG: *Go now in peace*

(Don Besig)

POSTLUDE: