

**Worship at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
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**PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**MEDITATION MUSIC:**

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**OPENING SONG: #716 *Pray for the wilderness* (tune 461)**

(Daniel Charles Damon)

♪ *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.*

*2. Learn from the elephant, eagle and whale  
Learn from the dragonfly, spider and snail  
Learn from the people in neighbouring lands.  
Learn from the children who play in their sands.*

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

*4. Trust that God's Christ overcame nails and wood  
Trust that earth's peoples will turn to the good, trust that creation forever will grow  
Trust that God's goodness to us overflows.*

*5. 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.*

**CHILDREN'S TIME & SONG: *Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho***

(S. African trad)

♪ *Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho*  
*"Your will be done on earth, O Lord"*

**SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 40:31; John 20:19-21; Acts 4:32-35**

Reader: Doug Orr

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

**DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS**

***Anthem: #307 God of the sparrow***

(Jaroslav Vajda)

♪ *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*

**PRAYERS:** # 717 *We cannot own the sunlit sky (all verses)* (Ruth Duck)

Loving God – we bow our heads to you in prayer..., the moon, wild-flowers growing...

♪ *We cannot own the sunlit sky, the moon, the wild-flowers growing,  
For we are part of all that is within life's river flowing.  
With open hands receive and share the gifts of God's creation,  
That all may have abundant life in every earthly nation.*

Lord we pray for our world – that we might care for one another .... all precious in your sight – all deserving of love and a chance.

♪ *When bodies shiver in the night and weary wait for morning,  
When children have no bread but tears,  
and war horns sound their warning.  
God calls humanity to wake, to join in common labour,  
That all may have abundant life, oneness with their neighbour.*

We come today, to this time of prayer,.... that your kingdom might truly come!

♪ *God calls humanity to join as partners in creating a future free from want or fear,  
life's goodness celebrating, That new world beckons from afar, Invites our shared  
endeavour that all might have abundant life and peace endure forever.*

**LORD'S PRAYER:** (spoken)

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:**

**MESSAGE:** Sent out to soar

**HYMN:** #57 *On Eagle's Wings* (vs 1, 3&4) (Michael Joncas)

♪ *You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in this shadow for life  
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my Rock in whom I trust!"*

**CHORUS: And I will raise you up on eagle's wings  
Bear you on the breath of dawn Make you to shine like the sun  
And hold you in the palm of my hand**

3. *The snare of the fowler will never capture you  
And famine will bring you no fear Under God's wings your refuge  
God's faithfulness – your shield. CHORUS:*

4. *For to God's angels is given a command  
To guard you in all of your ways Upon their hands they will bear you up  
Lest you dash your foot against a stone CHORUS:*

**BENEDICTION & BLESSING SONG:** Go now in peace

(Don Besig)

**POSTLUDE:**