

Worship at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church September 24th, 2023
Livestream link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0LGCgP5ZTLc>

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEDITATION MUSIC:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

OPENING SONG: #756 O Christ our Lord (tune #508)

(Ian Alexander)

♪ (1&2) O Christ our Lord we meet here as your people
And pray that we may now accept your grace
Forgive us when we seek an earthly kingdom
In which we hope to find an honoured place
Forgive us for our arrogant assumptions
That we alone have found Christ's holy way
Forgive us for the cowardly evasions
That modify your challenge to our day

(4&5) Forgive us Lord, for all our willful blindness
To human suffering, and to human need
Forgive us for our casual unkindness,
The hasty word, and the begrudging deed
And, in forgiving, grant us of your Spirit
The grace to lose ourselves and in the loss
To find redemption through a true devotion
That DARES reflect the passion of your cross!

CHILDREN'S TIME: #544 Kyrie/Lord have mercy

(trad liturgy)

♪ Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy
Kyrie e-lei-son. Chris -te- e-lei-son. Kyrie e-lei-son

SCRIPTURE: Mark 10:13-16; Matthew 18:1-5

Reader:

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

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

♪ Anthem: "Reamo leboga" (to God our thanks we give)

(Botswana trad)

♪ 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: #201 *We come to ask your forgiveness*

(Carey Landry)

♪ *We come to ask your forgiveness O Lord,
And we seek forgiveness from each other
Sometimes we build up walls instead of bridges to peace
And we ask your forgiveness O Lord.*

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: “*Windows and Mirrors*”

CLOSING HYMN: #471 *We are one in the Spirit (vs1-3)*

(Peter Scholtes)

♪ *We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.*

***Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians
by our love, by our love.
yes they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

*2. We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand,
we will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
and together we'll spread the news, that God is in our land.*

Chorus:

*3. We will work with each other, we will work side by side.
we will work with each other, we will work side by side.
and we'll guard each one's dignity & save each one's pride.*

Chorus

BENEDICTION:

BLESSING SONG: *Go now in peace*

(Don Besig)

POSTLUDE: