

Worship at Trafalgar Presbyterian Church September 17th, 2023
Livestream link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l_vFuB--g-I

PRELUDE, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEDITATION MUSIC:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

OPENING SONG: #685 *How firm a foundation*

(Welsh hymn)

- ♪ *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in God's excellent word! What more can God say than to you hath been said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?*
2. *'Fear not, I am with thee; oh be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.*
3. *'When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee over flow, for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.*
4. *'When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply: the flames shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.*
5. *'The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not, I will not, desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavour to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake!*

CHILDREN'S TIME: *Put your hand in the hand*

(folk song, Gene MacLellan)

- ♪ *Put your hand in the hand of the man who stilled the water
Put your hand in the hand of the man who calmed the sea
Take a look at yourself and you can look at others differently
By puttin' your hand in the hand of the man from Galilee*

SCRIPTURE: Isaiah 41:8-13; Luke 8:40-48 (Message Version)

Reader: Donna-Michelle Rancoeur

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

PRAYERS: *He Touched Me*

(Gaither Band)

- ♪ *He touched me, oh, he touched me, and oh, the joy that floods my soul
Something happened, & now I know, he touched me and made me whole*

LORD'S PRAYER: (sung)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS:

DEDICATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

♪ *Anthem:*

♪ *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*

MESSAGE: *“Reaching out for God’s hand”*

CLOSING HYMN: *Be not afraid*

(Bob Dufford)

♪ ***Chorus: Be not afraid, I go before you always
Come, follow me and I will give you rest***

*You shall cross the barren desert
but you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety
though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words to foreign ones
and they will understand
You shall see the face of God and live! **CHORUS***

*If you pass through raging waters in the sea
you shall not drown
If you walk amid the burning flames
you shall not be harmed
If you stand before the power of hell
and death is at your side
Know that I am with you through it all **CHORUS***

BENEDICTION:

BLESSING SONG: *Go now in peace*

(Don Besig)

POSTLUDE: