FIRST UNITED CHURCH

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Building Relationships. Living God's Transforming Love.

Sunday, April 24, 2022 ~ Earth Day Sunday



ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude This is God's Wonderous World

TERRA BEATA, Arr. H. Sorenson

WE ARE GATHERED FOR WORSHIP

Acknowledgement of the Land, Welcome, Announcements

Information about Today's Guest Preacher and Earth Day Service

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening Hymn *Morning Has Broken* (VU 409)

Opening Prayer

Children's Time Every Leaf a Hallelujah

WE ARE INSPIRED BY SCRIPTURE, SERMON, AND SONG

Scripture: John 4:1-42

Sermon Jesus and the Samaritan woman: interfaith dialogue rooted in place

Henriette Thompson

Sermon Hymn *Touch the Earth Lightly* (VU 307)

WE GIVE FROM WHAT WE HAVE RECEIVED

Music Ministry

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
S. Temple, arr. M. Hayes Cydney Morris, soloist

Prayers of the People

Call to Action

WE GO BLESSED TO BE A BLESSING

Sending Hymn

This is God's Wondrous World (VU 296)

Blessing

Commission

RESPONSE (VU 974) Amen, Amen, Hallelujah, Amen

Postlude

Live into Hope

TRURO, arr M. Mc Donald

Credits

Land Acknowledgement is adapted from McMaster University's acknowledgement

Opening Prayer is adapted from a prayer by Alydia Smith **Children's Story:** *Every Leak a Hallelujah* by Ben Okri

Participating in Today's Worship

Call for the Offering and Dedication

Scripture: Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible Sheed & Ward.

Presiding: _____

Preaching: Henriette Thompson, Faith Climate Justice, Waterloo Region

Music: Kathleen King Martin, Director of Music Ministries; Soloist: Cydney Morris

Crafters of today's worship: Marilyn Gerriets and Shirley Irish

Readers: Walt Brooker and Catherine Stewart Savage **AV Team:** Harold Arnett, Greg Case, Matthew Savage