TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Nov 20th | 7 PM EST | Virtual Worship

"For Such A Time As This..."

MUSIC FROM:

GUEST PREACHING:
Rev. Dr. Lawrence T. Richardson

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Offered By: R Ward

Strange One. Fabulous One. Fluid and ever becoming One.

Do not allow us to make our ideas of you into an idol.
You are as close to us as our own breath and yet, your essence transcends all that we can imagine.
You are mother, father, and parent.

You are sister, brother, and sibling.

You are drag queen, and trans man, and gender-fluid – incapable of limiting your vast expressions of beauty.

Embodied in us, your creation,

We recognize our flesh in all its forms is made holy in You.
With thanksgiving, we celebrate your glorious manifestations.
Blessed are our bodies. Blessed is our love. Blessed are we when we celebrate that which the world turns away.

Fill our hearts with a pride rooted in resistance to all that seeks to destroy.

May we delight in the ways you have created us: diverse, unique, surprising, and beautiful.

Thanks be to God!

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Prayer of Resilience - Rev. Derek Terry

Spoken Word - "Like Bread" from <u>The Many</u>

Musical Offering - "Come as you are" from <u>The Many</u>

Scripture Reading - Schmian Evans (Esther 4:1-17)

Sermon - Rev. Dr. Lawrence T. Richardson

Musical Offering - "These Bodies" from <u>The Many</u>

Why We Say Their Names -

Rev. Elder Carmarion D. Anderson

Reading of Names -

- Rev. Derek Terry
- Forrest Evans
- Rev. Chad Abbott
- Rev. Dr. Lawrence T. Richardson
- Rev. Davy Fosburgh
- Rev. Shari Prestemon

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Praying for Our Siblings- Rev. Lex Dunbar

Call to Action / Charge to the People - R Ward

Benediction - Rev. Dr. Lawrence T. Richardson

Postlude - "Say Their Names" provided by queer sacred music

Resources Linked Below:

https://www.ucc.org/tdor/

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