

# Bayview United Church

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## Worship Service

### Zoom Audio Call

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## Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 11:00 a.m.

### Moment of Silent Reflection:

Ukrainian National Anthem (1991)



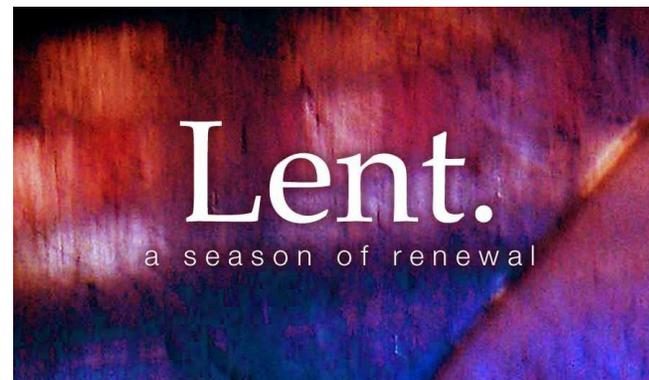
Pavlo Chubynsky's patriotic poem  
Ukraine's freedom has not yet perished, nor has her  
glory,  
Upon us, fellow Ukrainians, fate shall smile once  
more.  
Our enemies will vanish like dew in the sun,  
And we too shall rule, brothers, in a free land of our  
own.  
We'll lay down our souls and bodies to attain our  
freedom,  
And we'll show that we, brothers, are of Cossack  
nation.

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We'll stand together for freedom, from the Syan to the  
Don,  
We will not allow others to rule in our motherland.  
(Please pray for peace for the people of Ukraine.)

## Praising God

Prelude "For the Beauty of the Earth"  
Pierpoint/ Kocher, arr. Phillip Keveren



## Words of Welcome

### Acknowledging the Territory

### Call to Worship

As a mother hen gathers her brood under her  
sheltering wings,

So God hovers over us, longing to gather us together  
in the shelter of God's love.

As we bring our busy lives into this time of worship,

May we feel the calmness of God's Spirit and may  
God's nurturing love and guidance fill our hearts.

Together let us travel the Lenten path to God.

**Opening Prayer (unison)**

God of hope and promise, You inspire us with a vision for the future. You set before us the path of faithfulness and call us to trust in You, even when the way is challenging. We marvel at Abraham's thirty-year commitment to Your vision, and Jesus' courage to journey to Jerusalem, knowing the risks involved. May our worship renew Your purpose for us and give us the strength to live accordingly. Amen.

**Hymn (341)** "Fairest Lord Jesus" vs. 1,2,4,

- 1 Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
O thou of God to earth come down:  
thee will I cherish, thee will I honour,  
thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown.
- 2 Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
who makes the troubled heart to sing.
- 4 All fairest beauty heavenly and earthly,  
wondrously, Jesus, is found in thee;  
none can be nearer, fairer or dearer  
than thou, my Saviour, art to me.

**Prayer for Grace (unison)**

On this journey of life, O God, be our companion and guide. Give us a boost when we are discouraged; nudge us forward when we are stuck; hold our hand when we are fearful; shine a light when we are unsure of the way. Refresh us in Your presence, renew us in Your purpose,

remake us in Your image. Empowering Love, grant us a measure of Your eternal grace to face whatever may come. May Your Spirit free us to live with steadfast faith and commitment, as Jesus did. Amen.

**Sung Assurance (154) MV** "Deep In Our Hearts"  
Deep in our hearts there is a common vision; vs.1  
Deep in our hearts there is a common song;  
Deep in our hearts there is a common story,  
telling Creation that we are one.

**Hebrew Scripture** Genesis 15: 1-11, 17-18  
L. Clubine-Ito  
(God's covenant with Abram and Sarai.)

**Gospel Lesson** Luke 13:31-35 L. Clubine-Ito  
(Jesus cries over Jerusalem as a hen over her chicks.)



**Solo** "Be Thou My Vision" trans. M.E. Byrne, E.H. Hull  
Irish traditional melody  
L. Lazar, Soprano

**Sermon** "Hens for God" Rev. Cooper

**Hymn (356)** "Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God"  
vs.1, 2,3

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and God's righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you;  
seek and you shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.
- 3 We do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God.  
Hallelu, hallelujah.

**Responding to God**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer (unison)**

**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.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory.  
For ever and ever. Amen.**

**Hymn (634)** "To Abraham and Sarah" vs. 1,2,3

- 1 To Abraham and Sarah  
the call of God was clear,  
'Go forth and I will show you  
a country rich and fair.  
You need not fear the journey  
for I have pledged my word,  
that you shall be my people  
and I will be your God.'
- 2 From Abraham and Sarah  
arose a pilgrim race,  
dependent for their journey  
on God's abundant grace;  
and in their heart was written  
by God this saving word:  
'that you shall be my people  
and I will be your God.'
- 3 We of this generation  
on whom God's hand is laid,  
can journey to the future  
secure and unafraid,  
rejoicing in God's goodness  
and trusting in this word:  
'that you shall be my people  
and I will be your God.'

**Commissioning and Benediction**

May the Christ who walks on wounded feet,  
walk with you to the end of your road;  
May the Christ who serves with wounded hands,  
teach you to serve each other;  
May the Christ who loves with a wounded heart,

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help you to love each other;  
When you go out, may you see the face of Jesus  
in everyone you meet,  
and may everyone you meet  
see the face of Jesus in you. Amen.  
A Celtic Prayer

**Choral Amen “Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on earth,  
the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator, children all are we;  
Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,  
With ev’ry step I take let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment  
in peace eternally  
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

**Solo Postlude** "Carrickfergus"  
Irish Traditional, arranged by Keith Thomas  
J. Brooker, baritone

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**Thank you** for joining our Zoom audio and video  
worship service today. We hope you found the  
worship service a meaningful experience.

**Many thanks** to B. Kai, J. Brooker, and R. Bloor for  
coordinating our Zoom audio and video service.  
Thanks to L. Clubine-Ito for reading our scriptures.  
Thanks to K. Quinton, L. Lazar, and P. Tibbles  
Cookson for inspiring us with their music.

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**Special thanks** to J. Brooker for singing a traditional  
Irish ballad for us today. OMG!!

**Today, Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**, Second Sunday of Lent  
**The Annual Meeting** will be held today at **1p.m.** on  
Zoom audio/video. Link  
<https://zoom.us/j/4164475941> (usual passcode)

**Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>**, Third Sunday of Lent

**"March is Broadview Month"**

**Broadview (formerly the Observer):** Renewal time  
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you have any questions, please contact our BUC  
Broadview Representative, S. Yamashita. Thank you.

**Lenten Offering Project:**

This year you are invited to support the United Church  
**Gifts with Vision** program. Your **donations** given to  
**BUC on Easter Sunday** will go towards supporting  
the following 3 projects:

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1. In many communities in Zambia, water has to be brought from far away, often by young girls. The time-consuming task of bringing daily water forces them to give up their education. The People's Action Forum is **drilling a well** at Kamulaseni Community School in Chipata. With clean and safe water available locally, more girls will be able to stay in school, and the local community will benefit.

2. An **olive tree** can live 1,000 years in harsh conditions and yields a generous harvest. Over decades of Israeli military occupation, hundreds of thousands of olive trees in Palestine have been systematically destroyed. Many Palestinians rely on olive trees for their livelihood, nutrition, and other vital uses. Join the YWCA of Palestine and East Jerusalem YMCA in helping Palestinians plant trees for prosperity and peace.

3. More than 80 million people worldwide are currently fleeing danger, persecution, or starvation. Around the world, **displaced persons** face untold suffering and need, and their number is growing. On average, one person is displaced every two seconds. Food, shelter, education and training, health care, and other vital programs for displaced persons are even more important during the pandemic. The United Church's partners in Africa, the Middle East, and South America provide care and support to people who have had to leave everything behind.

**Thank you for your support!**

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**Prayers and Concerns:** Please remember in your prayers all those in need of hope, comfort and healing.

**BUC Prayer Group:** These individuals offer confidential prayer support to anyone who is in need of God's healing love, support and compassion in their lives. Prayers may be for a relative, a close friend or yourself. Please email Rev. Cooper or call R. Shikaze with your prayer request.

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**God bless you**, stay well, stay safe and we hope you tune in next week...same day, same time, and same Zoom phone number or video link.



**Have a blessed day!**