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Worship Service

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 3rd, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Modesty is a sense of quiet confidence and self-respect, which allows us to enjoy our accomplishments without inflating our self-importance. We have no need to brag or attract attention. We know we are worthy just as we are. We have reasonable expectations of ourselves. We resist the drive to overdo. Modesty allows us to accept praise with gratitude. We have no need to raise ourselves above others. We share the glory. We are grateful for the gifts we have, and we honour the gifts that other have too. (The Virtues Project)

Page 2 **Praising God**

Prelude "Brother James' Air" ("The Lord's My Shepherd") James Leith Macbeth Bain
arr. Larry Shackley



Words of Welcome

Acknowledging the Territory

Call to Worship

God is an extravagant God, full of surprises.

Let us fill our hearts with gifts of God's love.

We are called to give all we have to proclaim God's glory.

Let us celebrate Mary's lavish gift of love for Jesus as we seek to be God's disciples of grace and hope.

Come let us worship and follow this awesome God.

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Opening Prayer (unison)

Wondrous God, You are the giver of amazing things. You gave us life. We are grateful that You also blessed us with the gift of smell. Scents remind us of many experiences in our lives. O God, may the sweet aroma of Your holiness spread through our worship and grace us with Your unconditional love this day. Amen.

Hymn (291) “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

vs.1,2,4,5

**All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful:
in love, God made them all.**

- 1 Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colours,
God made their tiny wings.
- 2 The purple-headed mountains,
the river running by,
the sunset and the morning
that brightens up the sky;
- 4 The rocky mountain splendour,
the lone wolf's haunting call,
the great lakes and the prairies,
the forest in the fall;
- 5 God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God our maker,
who has made all things well. **R**

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Prayer for Grace (unison)

Creator God, You have lavished on the world and each one of us bountiful blessedness. You have shown us how to be generous and yet at times we are reluctant to share this gift with others. We would rather hold on to what we have than to risk losing all we have. Remind us, O God, that in sharing our abundance we can be richer in Your sight. 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 Isaiah 43:16-21 J. Cermak
(God says to us, “Watch, I am doing something new!”)

Gospel Lesson John 12:1-8 J. Cermak
(Mary anoints Jesus with costly perfume.)



Solo "For the Beauty of the Earth" Pierpoint/Monk
P. Tibbles Cookson, Mezzo Soprano

Sermon "Extravagant Love" Rev. Cooper

Hymn (353) "'Tis the Gift to Be Simple" vs.1,2

'Tis the gift to be simple, 'tis the gift to be free,
'tis the gift to come down where you ought to be,
and when we find ourselves in the place just right,
'twill be in the valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained,
to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed;
to turn, turn will be our delight
'til by turning, turning, we come round right. (repeat)

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 (896) "Blest Are They" vs. 1,2,4

1 Blest are they, the poor in spirit,
theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow,
they shall be consoled.

**Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God.**

2 Blest are they, the lowly ones,
they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst,
they shall have their fill. **R**

4 Blest are they who seek peace;
they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith,
the glory of God is theirs. **R**

Commissioning and Benediction

Although the road is long and the journey is hard
Although the mountains are too high
And the valleys are too low
By Your grace, give us hope
By Your power, give us strength
By Your mercy, give us wisdom
So that we may continue to go where You lead us
Until all Your children are safe from harm.
May we go with Your light shining in us. Amen.

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.

Postlude “Deep River” African-American spiritual
arr. Larry Shackley

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 J. Cermak for reading our scriptures.
Thanks to K. Quinton, L. Lazar, and P. Tibbles
Cookson for inspiring us with their music.

Today, Sunday, April 3rd, Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 10th, Palm Sunday and Celebration of
Holy Communion. You are invited to have a piece of
bread or cracker and a beverage and together we will
share the Lord’s Supper.

Friday, April 15th, 11:00 a.m. – Good Friday worship
service on Zoom. We will remember the last day of
Jesus’ life.

Sunday, April 17th, Easter Sunday. We will
celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, with special guest
preacher the Rev. C. Prebble, along with special
music from J. Liddle on trumpet and our virtual choir.

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:

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.

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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!

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

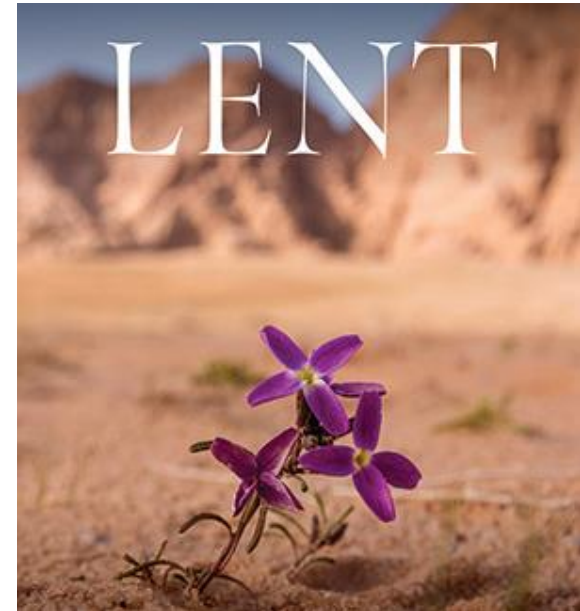
BUC Prayer Group: These individuals offer confidential prayer support to anyone who is in need of God's healing love, support and compassion in their lives. Prayers may be for a relative, a close friend or yourself. Please email Rev. Cooper or call R. Shikaze with your prayer request.

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always mail your cheque to the church. Thank you for your support of BUC.

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!