

Second Sunday in Lent

March 13, 2022

10 am

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Preservice Music

Northside Chapel Praise Band

Prelude

Slane Hymn Settings (Be Thou My Vision)

Andy Potts

Arr. Charles Callahan

Welcome and Community Life

Call to Worship (*responsively*)

God has a dream of a world at peace—

where enemies are reconciled, and children play in safety;

where the poor and powerless find justice.

God has a dream of a beloved community—

where all people live together as siblings,

where people share freely, and no one goes without.

God has a dream of a world where God reigns—

where love triumphs over fear and hatred,

and where God's will is done on earth as it is in heaven.

Friends, let us worship, that we may learn to dream God's dreams
and live into God's kingdom vision.

Opening Hymn

Be Thou My Vision

UMH# 451

Traditional Irish Melody | harm. Carlton R. Young

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Verse 1

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart | Naught be all else to me, save that thou art

Thou my best thought, by day or by night | Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light

Verse 2

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word | I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord

Thou and thou only, first in my heart | Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art

Verse 3

Great God of heaven, my victory won

May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall | Still be my vision, O Ruler of all

Prayer of Confession *(responsively)*

O Ruler of all, we confess that we do not always allow you to reign fully in our lives.

When we resist Your Kingdom's vision,

and we turn our hearts from the things that are close to your heart:

Lord, have mercy.

When we close our eyes to the unexpected possibilities of healing,

reconciliation and new life:

Christ, have mercy.

When we let fear overwhelm us,

and we cling to the security of what we know instead of taking the faithful next step:

Lord, have mercy.

All continue to pray in silence.

Assurance of Pardon

Response

You Are My King

Billy J. Foote

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Verse

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken | I'm accepted, You were condemned

I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me | Because You died and rose again **(Repeat)**

Chorus

Amazing love, how can it be | That You my King would die for me

Amazing love, I know it's true | It's my joy to honor You | In all I do I honor You

Verse

Chorus

Bridge

You are my King | You are my King

Jesus You are my King | Jesus You are my King

Chorus

Ending

In all I do I honor You | In all I do I honor You

A Message for Young Disciples

Cara Norris

Anthem

Somebody Prayed for Me

Chancel Singers

Composed by Marty Parks. Anthems. Adult Choral Anthem for Worship.
Inspirational and Sacred. Octavo. Published by Allegis (LP.9780834177260).

Proclamation and Response

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New Testament Reading

Romans 12:1-2, 9-21

¹ I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

⁹ Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; ¹⁰ love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. ¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸ If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹ Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰ No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:13-16

¹³ People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message

Love Is the Way: Can Love Really Change the World? Pastor Jen Eschliman

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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, forever. Amen.

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts to God

Offertory

Chain Breaker

Northside Chapel Praise Band

Songwriters: Jonathan Lindley Smith / Mia Fieldes / Zach Williams
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Doxology

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Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Offertory Prayer

Closing Hymn

Let There Be Peace on Earth

UMH #431

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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 every 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

Sending Forth

Benediction

Postlude

Prayer for Ukraine

Andy Potts

Молитва За Україну (This is the romanization: Molytva za Ukrainu)
By Mykola Lysenko (1885)

Lord, oh the Great and Almighty, Protect our beloved Ukraine,
Bless her with freedom and light, Of your holy rays.

With learning and knowledge enlighten, Us, your children small,
In love pure and everlasting, Let us, oh Lord, grow.

We pray, oh Lord Almighty, Protect our beloved Ukraine,
Grant our people and country, All your kindness and grace.

Bless us with freedom, bless us with wisdom, Guide into kind world,
Bless us, oh Lord, with good fortune, For ever and evermore.