

# EMMANUEL UNITED CHURCH

March 15, 2020

## The Third Sunday in Lent

A warm welcome to all who have joined us for worship today.

Please note this is a scent free environment.

(\*please rise in body or spirit)

*Prelude: Prelude on "Martyrdom" – Robert J. Powell*

Welcome, Announcements & Lighting of the Candles

*\*Gathering Hymn: VU 395 "Come In and Sit Down"*

*Centering Time for Worship*

### Arriving at the Vineyard

*\*Invitation to Community*

Welcome to the vineyard!

**A place of rich fruit**

Jesus is the vine

**And we are his branches**

Know that your roots are deep

**Planted firmly in the love of the Divine**

*\*Gathering Prayer*

**Holy Friend, as we gather this day, we come with sadness,  
fatigue, hopelessness and so many needs.**

**Calm us into your soul that we may be refreshed, restored, reborn.**

**We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, the one of the cross. Amen.**

*\*Hymn: MV 28 "God of the Bible"*

*Candles of Joy and Concern*

*Lenten Liturgy:*

Let us pretend that this coin is a denarius

**In the time of Jesus, a denarius was a day's wages**

When Jesus was asked "should we pay taxes to Caesar"?

**He reminded us that everything, everything is from God**

So, this coin reminds us

**That we render everything to God**

**Invitations, Please!**

*Preparation for Proclamation:* MV 7 "Gather Us In"

**Gather us in, Ground us in you. X2**

**Gather us in, gather us in, ground us,  
ground us in you**

*Scriptures:* Reader: John Jull

Psalm 86, VU 803 Mark 12.1-17

*Anthem:* "Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" (VU 563)

Reflection:

*Response:* Song of Faith: 1.4, 1.5 & 1.6 (See insert)

**Rendering Unto God**

*Minute for Mission:*

*Offering:* "Amplius lava me" (Cleanse me) - Sarti

*\*Hymn of Presentation:* VU 538 "For the Gift of Creation"

*\*Prayer of Dedication:*

**Great Spirit take these gifts and transform them into seeds:  
seeds that will bear the fruit of love, witness, hope.**

**Take us as seeds to be planted firmly in your love. Amen**

*Prayers of the Faithful:* Lord's Prayer (spoken)

*\*Hymn:* VU 635 "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me"

*\*Sending Forth*

Go into the vineyard

**For we have a holy mentor**

Render to God's that which is God's

**And we belong to God**

Boldly proclaim your faith

**For we have been to the vineyard!**

*\*Concluding Rite: VU 108 vs. 4*

**And though the road is hard and steep,**

**The Spirit ever calls us on.**

**Through Calvary's dying dark and deep,**

**Until we see the coming Dawn.**

*Postlude "Pastorello" – Hamilton G. McLean*

### **In Appreciation**

*Minister: All the Congregation and Rev. Don Uhryniw*

*Service Leader: Kenneth Gray*

*Music: Arlene Gray, and the Choir*

*Thank You to Ushers, Greeters, Elevator Monitors,  
Offertory Collectors and Refreshment Angels.*

*AV: Ted Shaw;      PowerPoint: Patti Shaw*

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