

# WEEKLY NEWS ~~ MARCH 18, 2022

## FROM THE PASTOR

I am so pleased to share that we received word this morning that an intern from Wartburg Theological Seminary has been placed with us at Gloria Dei for the 2022-2023 school year. I will share more as I am able and I look forward to welcoming an 11th intern to Gloria Dei. Gloria Dei has so many gifts as a teaching congregation and I am thrilled that we have moved ahead with the internship program, both for the growth of future pastors and for the learning that we gain from having an intern. And thank you, from me personally, for the opportunity to learn and grow into the role of Internship Supervisor.

In Christ's Peace,  
Pastor Alyssa

## CLEANING HELP NEEDED!

Until we hire a new custodian, we are asking church members to help out with cleaning the church. Please contact the office if you are willing to lend a hand! Lynn Danner has graciously agreed to clean this coming week, March 21 – 26.

## OFFICE MANAGER OUT OF TOWN

Barbara will be out of the office this coming week (March 21 – March 25). Lynn Danner will be volunteering in the office from 9 am til 1 pm (9:30 am ish to 1 pm on Tuesday, and til 12:30 pm on Friday). Phone messages and mail will be checked, but email will not be checked in Barbara's absence. Please be patient if you are waiting for a response to an email! Many thanks to Lynn for spending this time in the office!

## FROM THE SYNOD!

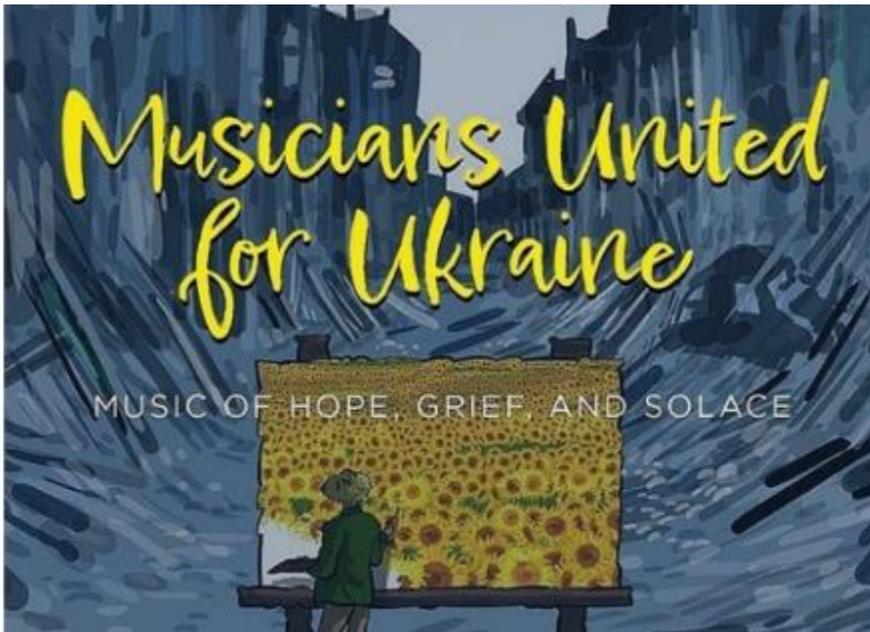
### Cluster Gatherings

March 27 4:30 – 6:30 pm on Zoom

**EVERYONE is invited to join this evening of cluster conversations!** Together we will continue to uncover Oregon Synod land stories, moving toward a new horizon of more whole truth-telling and steps toward repair! Join with your church and cluster friends to uncover how Peace First in Astoria and others from across the state are getting curious and uncovering and sharing their hidden land stories.

Click on your cluster to register.

[Emerald](#) | [Mt. Hood](#) | [Rose](#) | [Blue Mountain](#) | [Columbia](#) | [South Coast](#) | [PLUM and Mt Tabor](#) | [Sunset](#) | [Crater Lake](#) | [High Desert](#) | [Oregon Trail](#) | [Vineyard](#)



**Oregon-based, nationally and internationally recognized artists add their voices in support of Ukraine** and her struggle against the unjust and unprovoked aggression by Russia. All proceeds from this event benefit direct aid to Ukrainian refugees through the Portland-based [Accent Network](#). The program features the music of hope, grief, and solace, including works by Ukrainian composers Mykola Lysenko, Miroslav Skoryk, and Elena Gnatovskaya. This event was organized by Anton Belov, a musician with deep family roots in Ukraine. **Saturday, March 26, 8-10 pm.** More information and [tickets here](#).

**Attend the Synod Hunger Team Domestic Hunger Grant training!** The Oregon Synod Hunger Team is planning an online training event **April 2 at 10 am** to help potential applicants for ELCA World Hunger Domestic Hunger Grants prepare successful grant applications. [Register here!](#) Not sure if your project is right for an ELCA World Hunger Domestic Hunger grant? Other questions? Please [contact Barbara Stevenson](#).

[ELCA World Hunger Domestic Hunger Grants](#) support applicants who are working to alleviate hunger at its root causes, and projects that are transformative, holistic and integrated. **Grant registration is open; applications open April 11.**