



# Champions of Faith Celebrating 100 Years of Ukrainian Orthodoxy in America

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## **Leader Notes - Session Five:**

These praxis sessions are intended to be used in conjunction with the Champions of the Faith Curriculum which may be downloaded at <http://www.uocyouth.org/championsofthefait.html>

This curriculum is designed to be carried out in one session per class meeting, but please feel free to adjust in response to the children. If you find that they want more time to discuss a particular idea or session, others may be shortened or abbreviated, as long as the main understandings above are addressed. Youth can take turns reading the text to the class, or you may choose for them to read it to themselves if they need to adjust the pace.

These special praxis sessions are for varying age groups. We recommend previewing each session so that you plan accordingly.

## **Objective:**

In conjunction with the Centennial Celebration of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, which is taking place in parishes throughout the United States from September 2017 until September 2018, the Office of Youth Ministry is partnering with the Ukrainian History and Education Center (Somerset, New Jersey) to provide materials and lesson plans to be utilized in the parishes to educate the youth of the parish of the history of the Church in America, as well as celebrate this historic event.

The full teacher's guide provides five (5) lesson plans, each with suggested activities to use in the parish and regular youth ministry program. Each lesson plan can be tailored to fit any age group.

In addition to the monthly lesson plans, we ask all parish youth to create a poster board (tri-fold board) documenting the history of the parish which will be placed on display at the Metropolia Center during the celebration in July 2018 (see "Parish History Project" for further instructions). In addition, these boards can be displayed either before or after July in the home parishes, showcasing the work of the youth. It is our goal, that through the lesson plans, the youth of the parish will learn more about their home parishes, as well as the history of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in the USA.

This teacher's guide is supplemental to the exhibits at the Metropolia Center which document the history of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.

*Shepherding Ukrainian Orthodoxy in the New Land: The Metropolitans of the Church*  
On view November 2017 until April 2018

*Ukrainian Orthodoxy in the New Land: 100 Years in the United States of America*  
On view July to September 2018

The exhibits are on view at the UHEC Library Gallery and the Cultural Center (135 Davidson Avenue / Somerset, NJ 08873). Contact the Center for exhibit hours, guided tours, and/or to schedule "The Immigration Experience" Workshop for school groups ([info@ukrhec.org](mailto:info@ukrhec.org) or call 732-356-0090)

## **Sessions provided for the Champions of the Faith - Centennial Celebration**

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### **Lesson One: History of the UOC of USA**

*Suggested Month: January 2018*

### **Lesson Two: The Importance of Primary Documents & Archives**

*Suggested Month: February 2018*

### **Lesson Three: UOL Essay Contest**

*Suggested Month: March 2018*

### **Lesson Four: Oral History Project**

*Suggested Month: April 2018*

### **Lesson Five: Musical Harmony**

*Suggested Month: May 2018*

### **Parish History Project**

*Ongoing project to be completed for display at the Metropolia Center in July 2018*

# *Session Five:*

## *Musical Harmony*

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Objective: To teach the youth of the church about liturgical music and hymns. The Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry will be producing a series of videos and curriculum to this purpose which may be used in conjunction with this session.

Background Information:

Prayer For Ukraine (“Molytva za Ukrainu”) was written by Oleksandr Konysky and score composed by famous composer, Mykola Lysenko. The anthem was nominated to be considered as the “spiritual anthem of Ukraine” in 1998, but the project was later withdrawn. Although it is not the official spiritual anthem of Ukraine, many of the parishes of the UOC of USA sing it at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

By teaching the students this song/anthem, they will be able to participate in singing it at the end of Liturgy and together in one voice of the UOC of USA during the Centennial Celebration in July at the Metropolia Center or at the one of the satellite celebrations in Chicago, Los Angeles or All Saints Camp. Your parish will be contacted to discover if you youth will be participating in the event.

Notes and lyrics are attached to this curriculum guide.

You may need to coordinate with your spiritual father and choir director on this session.

Utilize the above information as needed within your session.

## **Musical Harmony Worksheet**

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Take a look at the English lyrics to the “Prayer For Ukraine”:

*Lord God, Almighty, One Only, care for our homeland Ukraine. Bless her with light and freedom in Your most Holy Name. Keep us, Your children, enlightened with wisdom and learning. Raise us in love for our country, we pray this with yearning.*

*Hear us, O Lord, God Almighty care for our homeland Ukraine. Granting all kindness and blessing, may You their lives sustain. Bless them with freedom. Bless them with fortune, peace, honor, and goodness, long life. Grant, O Lord, Your people the many blessed years, always now and forevermore.*

To whom are we praying too as we sing this prayer?

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What are some things that we are asking from God as we sing this prayer?

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Who are the “children” in the song?

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If you were to write a song to God about the Centennial Celebration of the UOC of USA, what are some things you would pray for?

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# Prayer for Ukraine

M. Lysenko

Lord God, Al-might- y, One On- ly, care for our home-land U-

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The first system of the musical score is in 4/4 time. It features three staves: a vocal line (treble clef), a piano accompaniment line (treble clef), and a bass line (bass clef). The lyrics are: "Lord God, Al-might- y, One On- ly, care for our home-land U-". The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in both hands.

kraine, Bless her with light and free- dom in Your most ho- ly Name.

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The second system continues the musical score. The lyrics are: "kraine, Bless her with light and free- dom in Your most ho- ly Name." The piano accompaniment includes some rests in the vocal line, indicated by a colon and a vertical line.

Keep us, Your chil- dren, en- light- ened with wis- dom and learn- ing.

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The third system continues the musical score. The lyrics are: "Keep us, Your chil- dren, en- light- ened with wis- dom and learn- ing." The piano accompaniment features a key signature change to one sharp (F#) in the second measure.

Raise us in love for our coun- try, we pray this with yearn- ing.

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The fourth system concludes the musical score. The lyrics are: "Raise us in love for our coun- try, we pray this with yearn- ing." The piano accompaniment continues with the same key signature and rhythmic patterns.

Hear us, O Lord, God Al- might- y care for our home- land U- kkraine.

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Grant- ing all kind- ness and bless- ing, may You their lives— sus- tain.

Grant- ing all kind- ness and bless- ing, may You their lives— sus- tain.

Bless them with free- dom. Bless them with for- tune, peace, ho- nor, and good- ness, long life.

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Grant, O Lord, Your peo- ple the man- y bless- ed years, al- ways now and for- ev- er- more.

Grant, O Lord, Your peo- ple the man- y bless- ed years, al- ways now and for- ev- er- more.

# Bozhe Velikiy, Yedihniy

M. Lysenko

Bo- zhe Ve- lih- kiy, Ye- dih- niy, nam U- kra- yi- nu khran-

Бо- же Ве- ли- кий, Є- ди- ний, нам У- кра- ї- ну хра-

nih, vo- li i svi- tu pro- min- yam\_\_ Tih yi- yi o- si- nih.

ни, во- лі і сві- ту про- мін- ням\_\_ Ти ї- ї о- сі- ни.

Svi- tom znan-ya\_\_ i na- u- kih nas\_\_ u-sikh\_\_ pro-svi- tih.

Сві- том знан-ня і на- у- ки нас\_\_ у-сіх\_\_ про-сві- ти.

v chih-stiy liu- bo- vi do kra- yu\_\_ Tih nas Bo- zhe zro- stih.

в чи- стій лю- бо- ві до кра- ю\_\_ Ти нас Бо- же зро- сти.

Mo- li- mos Bo- zhe Ye- dih- niy, nam U- kra- yi- nu khra- nih.

Мо- ли- мось Бо- же Є- ди- ний, нам У- кра- ї- ну хра- ни.

Vsi svo- yi las- kih shche- dro- tih Tih na liud nash zver- nih.

Всі сво- ї ла- ски ще- дро- ти Ти на люд наш звер- ни.

Dai yo- mu vo- liu, dai yo- mu do- liu, dai do- bro- ho svi- ta. Shcha- stia

Дай йо- му во- лю, дай йо- му до- лю, дай до- бро- го сві- та. Ща- стя

dia, Bo- zhe, na- ro- du i mno- ha- ya, mno- ha- ya li- ta.

дай, Бо- же, на- ро- ду і мно- га- я, мно- га- я лі- та.



# Боже Великий, Єдиний

М. Лисенка

Bo- že Ve- li- кий, Є- ди- ний, нам У- кра- ї- ну хра-  
Bo- že Ve- li- кий, Є- ди- ний, нам У- кра- ї- ну хра-

ни, во- лі і сві- ту про- мін- ням\_\_ Ти ї- ї о- сі- ни.  
ни, во- лі і сві- ту про- мін- ням\_\_ Ти ї- ї о- сі- ни.

Сві- том знан-ня\_ і на- у- ки нас\_ у- сіх про- сві- ти.  
Сві- том знан-ня і на- у- ки нас\_ у- сіх\_ про- сві- ти.

в чи- стій лю- бо- ві до кра- ю\_\_ Ти нас Бо- же зро- сти.  
в чи- стій лю- бо- ві до кра- ю\_\_ Ти нас Бо- же зро- сти.

Мо-ли-мось Бо-же Є-ди-ний, нам У-кра-ї-ну хра-ни.

Мо-ли-мось Бо-же Є-ди-ний, нам У-кра-ї-ну хра-ни.

Всі сво-ї ла-ски ще-дро-ти... Ти на люд наш звер-ни.

Всі сво-ї ла-ски ще-дро-ти... Ти на люд наш звер-ни.

Дай йо-му во-лю, дай йо-му до-лю, дай до-бро-го сві-та. Ща-стя

Дай йо-му во-лю, дай йо-му до-лю, дай до-бро-го сві-та. Ща-стя

дай, Бо-же, на-ро-ду і мно-га-я, мно-га-я лі-та.

дай, Бо-же, на-ро-ду і мно-га-я, мно-га-я лі-та.