

Bayview United Church

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As a diverse and inclusive Christian community, our mission is to empower individuals to connect with God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit and equip them to live their faith in just and compassionate ways that will help transform themselves, their neighbourhood and the world.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 14, 2017 11:00 a.m.

(*congregation stands in body, mind or spirit)

Praising God

Prelude "Romance", Op. 28 #2 Schumann
Welcome & Announcements K. Shikaze

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship

One: We are summoned here by the Spirit of God,

All: who calls us each by name, and gathers us together in the unity of Jesus Christ.

One: From classroom and kitchen and carpool,

All: we are called into God's presence.

One: Young and old and middle-aged, individuals and families,

All: we hear our names being called to join in worship.

One: This house of worship is a place to pursue God's vision for all people: unity and joy and faith expressed through different gifts.

All: Let us worship together!

***Processional Hymn: (395)** "Come In, Come In and Sit Down"

Opening Prayer

Prayer for Grace (unison)

Merciful God,

You have called us to live in your completion, yet we confess that our relationships are imperfect and we are incomplete without you.

We are anxious and resenting.

We feel the shame of our foolish behavior and brokenness.

We have allowed sin to drive us apart from one another and from you.

Forgive us and restore us.

Draw us close and bind us together in your mercy.

May we live into the fullness of your love and grace in the saving name of the risen Christ.

Amen.

Assurance of Grace

***Hymn (224)** "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" vs. 1, 2

Time with the Young People

Prayer and 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 (224) "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" vs. 1

Listening for God's Word

Responsive Reading Wisdom 7
(The Nature of Wisdom)

**Choral Refrain: Who comes from God, as Word and
Breath? Holy Wisdom.**

One: Wisdom is the brightness that streams from everlasting
light,

**All: the flawless mirror of the active power of God,
the image of God's goodness. R**

One: Wisdom is only one, yet she can do everything;

All: herself unchanging, she makes all things new.

One: Age after age she enters into holy souls,
and makes them God's friends and prophets.

**All: For none are more acceptable to God
than those who make their home with Wisdom. R**

One: Wisdom is more radiant than the sun.

All: She surpasses every constellation.

One: She excels even the light of day;
for day gives way to night,
but against Wisdom no evil can prevail.

**All: She spans the world in power from end to end,
and orders all things well. R**

Scripture Reading Ruth 1:1 - 18
(In the steps of Naomi and Ruth)
Readers: P. Widgery, D. Domelle, B. Kai

Choir Anthem "A Blessing of Peace" Martin/Angerman

Sermon "God's Full Embrace" Rev. K. Hagerman

*Hymn (MV 79) "Spirit, Open My Heart"

Chorus: Spirit, open my heart to the joy and pain of living,
As you love may I love, in receiving and in giving,
Spirit, open my heart.

God, replace my stony heart with a heart that's kind and
tender.

All my coldness and fear to your grace I now surrender.

Chorus

Write your love upon my heart as my law, my goal, my story.
In each thought, word, and deed, may my living bring you
glory.

Chorus

May I weep with those who weep, share the joy of sister,
brother.

In the welcome of Christ, may we welcome one another.

Chorus

Responding to God

Offering "Day by Day" Stephen Schwartz

* Dedication 518 "As Those of Old..." verse 2
**A world in need now summons us
to labour, love, and give,
to make our life an offering
to God, that all may live.
The church of Christ is calling us
to make the dream come true:
a world redeemed, by Christ-like love,
all life in Christ made new.**

Unison Prayer of Dedication

We bring our gifts to you, O God.
Here is the work of our hands,
here is the love of our hearts.
Accept them and use them,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

***Recessional Hymn: (556)**

“Would You Bless Our Homes and Families”

***Commissioning and Benediction**

***Choral Amen (424)** “May the God of Hope Go with Us”

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

Postlude "Entreat Me Not to Leave Thee" Gounod
(Song of Ruth)

Soprano: L. Lazar

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Sunday, May 14, 2017

Head Usher: S. Hu

Ushers: C. Ito, K. Koyama, J. Bennett, L. Fusé

Scripture Reader: H. Kagawa

Welcome to worship at Bayview United Church. If you are visiting or here for the first time, please sign the guest book located at the main entrance to the sanctuary. Everyone is

invited for a hot dog lunch provided by the men of our congregation.

A special welcome and thank you to our guest minister, **Rev. K. Hagerman**, for coming and leading worship while Rev. Cooper is on her sabbatical and holidays.

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

This is the Day we remember, honour and celebrate all the mothers in the world. Today the flowers are placed by the **Domelle and Main families** in memory of their mothers, **Isobel Domelle and Ruth Main, as well as all other mothers.** We cherish our memories of them, their nurturing ways, their patience, kindness, gentleness and most of all their never-ending love.

If you care to donate flowers for a Sunday morning worship service, in memoriam or for a special occasion, please contact **K. Oiyé** by Wednesday prior to a service.

Audio CD of the Service: We are able to make an audio copy of the service. If you would like a copy, please speak to B. Kai.

Hearing Assistance Devices: If you are having trouble hearing the service, we have hearing assistance devices. If you would like to try one, please speak to B. Kai.

Welcomers: Would those individuals who agreed to be welcomers please sign the sign-up sheet on the narthex bulletin board. Please wear the special Welcomer nametag. Thank you.

Rev. Cooper will be on a three-month sabbatical for study and renewal beginning May 1st, followed by holidays. She will return Sept. 5th. We will have different ministers and student

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ministers leading worship each Sunday. Rev. Dr. J. Hartley has graciously agreed to provide emergency pastoral care in May, June and August (416-480-0142). He is a retired United Church minister who spent 20 years as minister at St. Andrews U.C. in Toronto. Rev. K. Matsugu will cover emergency pastoral care in July (416-335-5387).

Please wear your nametags downstairs after the service to help our guest ministers in getting to know you. Thank you.

The Daily Bread- K. Saito will be collecting \$5.00 for the Daily Bread subscription. Thank you.

Today, Sun. May 14th – 11:00 a.m. – Mother’s Day Worship Service followed by a hot dog lunch provided by the men of our congregation. The service will be led by Rev. K. Hagerman.

Wed. May 17th – 2:30 p.m. – Hymn Sing at the Donway. Everyone is welcome.

Sun. May 21st – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. The service will be led by Rev. K. Hagerman.

Thurs. May 25th – 2:00 p.m. - Worship Service at Momiji led by D. Kai and M. Bown. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun. May 28th – 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service led by D. Kai and M. Bown. They retired from ministry 2 years ago and are enjoying their retired life. We appreciate their coming.

12:30 p.m. – Reiki Sessions in the library. If you would like to receive a hands-on Reiki healing treatment, please speak to D. Yatabe.

12:30 p.m. – Bazaar meeting in the narthex. If you would like to help plan our fall bazaar, to be held on Sat. Oct. 14th, please come to this planning meeting. Thank you for your support.

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Friday, June 2nd - 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. - Women`s Fellowship Circle Annual Windup. Watch the bulletin for further details. **There will be a short planning meeting after church on May 21st for anyone who is interested in helping.**

Sun. June 4th – 11:00 a.m. – Pentecost Sunday. Service led by Spirit.calm.

1:00 p.m. – Japanese Language Service in the sanctuary.

Sat. June 10th – 12 noon -Bayview United Church Golf Tournament to be held at the Whispering Ridge Golf Course. It’s time to think golf. This year the funds from our tournament are going towards replacing our church roof. Fees this year are \$110 if you walk and \$130 if your ride. Fees include golf, a delicious dinner, plenty of laughs and a prize for all golfers. Expertise in golf is not required and we will play a Texas Scramble format. If you would like to golf, please contact K. Shikaze. As usual golf prizes are gratefully accepted.

Sun. June 11th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship with Promotion Sunday led by B. Neely. B. is a lay minister from Rev. Cooper’s former congregation, Home United Church.

Sun. June 18th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. The service will be led by Rev. K. Hagerman.

Thurs. June 22nd – 12:00 p.m. - Luncheon gathering at Momiji followed by a hymn sing of favourite hymns. Lunch will be provided by the Hospitality and Care Team of Bayview U.C.

Sun. June 25th – 11:00 a.m. – Picnic at BUC. This year the picnic will be held in our church fellowship hall beginning with an informal worship service, followed by a potluck lunch and then some indoor games. Dress is casual.

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Advance Notice: We are planning to have a **Congregational Dinner** followed by a **musical concert** on **Sat. Nov. 18th**, with performances by members of the congregation, to raise money for our new roof. If you have a talent and would like to perform, please speak to K. Quinton or J. Liddle.

HELP RAISE THE ROOF: Our roof needs replacing. It's a very big project and we need your help to accomplish this. Our roof is 7,424 square feet, which means a lot of work and many bundles of shingles!! Each bundle of shingles costs about **\$50** and this does not include the cost of labour to install them. **Please help** by purchasing one or more bundles of shingles. Use the specially marked **ROOF FUND** envelope for your donation and place in the offering plate. Be sure to include your name and contact information as all donors will receive: a tax receipt, name on the donation plaque created for us by K. Koyama and a very special BUC pen/flashlight. For more information, please see the display in the narthex or speak to L. Fujita. **Thank you!** Any and all support is greatly appreciated.

The United Church of Canada is launching an [Extreme Hunger Appeal](#) as the humanitarian crisis in Kenya, Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan, and Yemen reaches grave levels. Starvation and extreme hunger are rapidly reaching a scale the world has not seen before. Vulnerable people are most impacted, including children. If you would like to support this appeal, please write a cheque to BUC and mark it "**Relief - Extreme Hunger Appeal**". Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sparrow Lake Camp is now accepting registrations for children's summer camp. Please visit their website at <http://www.sparrowlakecamp.com/> for more information and to register. BUC is willing to provide \$200.00 (each) towards the cost of a camp experience for children who wish to attend. If interested, please speak to K. Shikaze.

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Saturday, August 12, at 4:00 p.m., venue and program TBD. Reunion for youth who attended CJUC back in the 70s and 80s at 701 Dovercourt Rd. All proceeds will be donated to Bayview United Church. Everyone is welcome! Please contact K. Nakawatase.

Sat. Aug. 26th – 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. – Annual Church Planning Day at the home of Revs. Cooper and Prebble. All ministry team and committee members are invited to attend. Directions will be sent out in August to those attending. Lunch will be provided but please bring a lawn chair if you have one. Please let M. Leone in our office know by August 21st if you will be attending the meeting. Thank you.

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 friend or even yourself. Please call B. Marshall or E. Turnbull with your prayer request. Thank you.

Learning a craft: Would you like to learn or share a craft skill? For information, speak to L. Fusé.

Eva's Place: All toiletries, soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc. are accepted weekly to help the youth at Eva's Place. Please place these items in the **Eva's Place** bin.

Food Bank: On the first and third Sundays of each month, you are invited to bring non-perishable food for the Lansing Food Bank. They especially need items for infants, non-beef soup and canned black beans. Thank you for your support.

Eyeglass Project: The Community and Global Team are supporting the Lions Club Sight Program. By recycling old or no longer used eyeglasses and sunglasses, we will be supporting teams of doctors running volunteer eye clinics in many countries. They do not use the cases. **Please leave the glasses in the box at the entrance to the narthex.**

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STAMPS: We are collecting used postage stamps for The Leprosy Mission Canada, who sell them to dealers to raise money for medicine, care and rehabilitation for people suffering from leprosy. They prefer that the stamps be cut from the envelopes, leaving about a ¼ inch paper border. The stamps can be left in the **STAMP BOX on the table at the entrance to the narthex.**

Alcoholics Anonymous meets downstairs every Tuesday and Thursday, at 8 p.m. For more information, call our main help line: 416-487-5591. If you have a problem with alcohol, we have the solution.

Sunday, May 21, 2017

Head Usher: S. Hu

Ushers: M. Cruise, R. Graham, M. Griffiths, G. Kitagawa

Scripture Reader: J. Bennett