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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.

Mission Sunday

Sunday, November 26th, 2017 11:00 a.m.

(* indicates please stand as you are able)

Praising God

Prelude Andante Tranquillo from Organ Sonata #3
Felix Mendelssohn

Welcome & Announcements C. MacLean

Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action 35 G. Omoto

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship I. Kagawa

One: As we gather to worship, we are called to care for those in our world who are in need of love and support.

All: We give thanks for the inspiration and work of Eva's Place that reaches out to youth in need of support.

One: Help us to be a justice-seeking and compassionate community of faith.

All: Let us seek to bring the needs of others into our reality.

One: We give thanks and praise for God's steadfast presence in our lives and in our world.

***Processional Hymn (312) "Praise with Joy the...Creator"**

Opening Prayer (unison) K. Shikaze
Loving God, You have encouraged us to be a caring and empathetic church. You taught us that justice is Your Will and kindness Your Way. Help us to remember we are one body and that all parts, strong and weak, need each other. Help us to trust that You are at work in each of us, and may our hearts and minds be open to Your love in our lives. Amen.

A Time with the Young People G. Costa

Hymn (575) "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"
(Young people are invited to go to classes.)

Prayer of Thanks (unison) K. Shikaze
Holy Companion God, You came that we might have life in all its fullness. Thank You for the work done at Eva's Place. We are grateful for the staff who offer their expertise and care to the young people who need support. May our lives seek to serve people in need and bring hope to their lives. May they feel the power of Your compassion in their hearts and minds this day. Amen.

Listening for God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Micah 6:6-8
(God speaks about what is required of us.)

Epistle Lesson 2 Corinthians 8:13-15
(Those who have much can help those who are in need.)

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

Memorial flowers are placed by **B. and D. Rivait** for mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother **Sally Simpson**. Sally was born Nov. 24th, 107 years ago. If **you care to donate flowers** for a Sunday morning worship service, in memoriam or for a special occasion, please contact **C. Ichiyen** 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.

If you would like to obtain a **DVD** of the **Raise the Roof Concert** held on Saturday November 18, 2017, at the church, please contact B. Kai. The cost is \$2.00 for materials.

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.

Today, Sun. Nov. 26th – 11:00 a.m. – Mission Sunday with guest speaker G. Costa, the general manager of Eva's Place.
12:30 p.m. - There will be a Sharing Table with items suitable for Christmas. This is a time for all to mingle and have fun choosing a free item to take home. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Wed. Nov. 29th - 2:30 p.m. – Carol Service at the Donway. Everyone welcome to attend.

Thurs. Nov. 30th – 2:00 p.m. – Carol Service at Momiji followed by High Tea. Everyone welcome to attend.

Sat. Dec. 2nd – 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. - Come to our Advent Adventure with crafts, stories and carols. **All ages welcome!** Ending with a pizza dinner. **Tickets are available from C. MacLean. \$8.00 each, and children are free.**

Sun. Dec. 3rd – 11:00 a.m. – Advent I Worship Service with Advent candle lighting and the celebration of Holy Communion.

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

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

Sun. Dec. 10th – 11:00 a.m. - Advent II candle lighting and Creating a Tree of Remembrance: during the service you are invited to place blue stars on the Christmas tree in remembrance of loved ones who have passed away over the years. There will also be a special Christmas presentation by our young people.

12:15p.m. -- A catered turkey lunch will follow the service. **Cost is \$15.00** per person and children are free. Tickets are available from R. Shikaze or L. Fujita and **must be bought by Dec. 3rd** as the lunch is being catered. Tickets will **not** be on sale at the door. So please buy your ticket soon.

Sun. Dec. 17th – 11:00 a.m. – Advent III Worship Service with **Choir Christmas Cantata** and Advent candle lighting.

Sun. Dec. 24th – No morning service.

Sun. Dec. 24th – 7:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve Family Service with a Christmas drama, carols, scripture and candle lighting. Come and relive the Christmas story once again!!

Christmas Eve Service: If you can help out by being part of the drama or doing one of the readings, please contact Rev. Cooper as soon as possible.

Sun. Dec. 31st – 11:00 a.m. – New Year's Eve Carol Service
There will be no Sunday school classes.

Please note refreshments will **not** be available following the service.

Myanmar Crisis of Rohingya Peoples: to date 603,000 people, (over half are children) have been displaced from Myanmar and are in refugee camps in Bangladesh. The brutal persecution of the Rohingya Muslim people has created a humanitarian crisis. Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFB) will be providing food for 25,000 Rohingya refugees living in informal settlements in Bangladesh. If you would like to help the Rohingya people in the settlement camps through the CFB, please give cash or cheque to Bayview United Church by the end of November. Please mark envelope Rohingya. Money collected will be sent to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. Thank you for considering this important project. (The United Church of Canada is a member of CFB.)

Japanese Social Services Holiday Drive - We will be accepting cash donations or cheques made out to Bayview United Church marked JSS Holiday Drive. Please place donations in the offering plate. Donations will be accepted until the end of December. Thank you.

Mitten Tree – There will be a mitten tree located in the narthex from Dec. 3rd until Dec. 17th. You are welcome to place mittens, hats, scarves, and gloves on the tree. Thank you.

2018 Directory: We will be issuing a new BUC telephone directory in December. A draft of the directory is available in the narthex. By the end of November, please review your

information for accuracy and make any necessary changes or initial the entry if it is correct. If you know of anyone who should be added or deleted, please let M. Leone know.

Winter Coat Drive: We are collecting clean, gently used winter coats again for the Children's Breakfast Club. If you have any, please bring them to the church and advise K. Shikaze or P. Watanabe that you have brought them and we will see that they get to the Children's Breakfast Club for distribution to a child who needs one. **Donate a Coat and Warm a Heart. 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 contact B. Marshall or E. Turnbull with your prayer request. Thank you.

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.

Eyeglasses 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.**

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

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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.

Next Sunday, Dec. 3rd, 2017

Head Usher: D. Domelle

Ushers: L. Hirowatari, D. Honda, J. Bennett,
K. Koyama

Scripture Reader: C. MacLean