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.

Third Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 15th, 2018

11:00 a.m.

(*congregation stands as able)

Praising God

PreludePrelude in G Minor, WTC 1BachWelcome & AnnouncementsC. MacLeanTruth & Reconciliation, Call to Action #55G. Omoto

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship

One: Easter is apparently over. The chocolate bunnies and eggs are all eaten.

All: We have gone back to our busy lives.

One: So who is this who stands at the shorelines of our lives, who calls us to cast out our nets on the other side?.

All: Who is this who invites us to breakfast on the beach and says, "Follow me!"?

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One: Ah! It is the risen Christ!

All: Easter apparently has just begun!

One: Alleluia!

*Processional Hymn (352) "I Danced in the Morning"

Opening Prayer (unison)

God of new awakenings, new dawns, as You green the earth around us, bring colour to our dull places and Spirit to our empty spaces. Open our ears to hear Your calling. Open our eyes to see You active and alive in our midst. Open our hearts to follow where You lead today and every day. Amen.

Scripture Reading Acts 9:1-6 (Saul's conversion on the road to Damascus)

* **Hymn (224)** "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" (vs. 1, 2, 3)

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.

Hymn (224) "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" (vs. 1, 4)

(Young people leave for classes.)

For ever and ever. Amen.

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Prayer for Grace (unison)

Loving God, You meet us on the beach, on the road, in the stunning visions and everyday moments. Forgive us when we fail to recognize Your presence in the people and events of our lives. Help us to savour the importance of Easter and integrate the resurrection experience into our lives. Create in us a spirit of new life and hope. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Listening for God's Word

Scripture Lesson Psalm 30

(God turns my mourning into dancing.)

Gospel Lesson John 21:1-19

(Jesus appears to the disciples at the Sea of Tiberius and says

to Peter, "Follow me.")

Solo "The Wilderness" Eric H. Thiman

S. Vidovic, tenor

Sermon "Hope Lives" Rev. Cooper

*Hymn (166) "Joy Comes with the Dawn"

Responding to God

Offering Polonaise Johann Adolph Hasse

* **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.

*Prayer

Prayers of the People

*Hymn (703) "In the Bulb There is a Flower"

*Commissioning and Benediction

*Choral Amen (586) "We Shall Go Out" vs. 1
We shall go out with hope of resurrection;
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;
tales of a love that will not let us go.
We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted;
we'll dream our dreams of hurts that can be healed;
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of new life in Christ.

Postlude "I'm Gonna Sing/Ain't-a That Good News?" arr. Larry Shackley

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Sunday, April 15, 2018

Head Usher: M. Kaneko

Ushers: L. Hirowatari, D. Honda,

M. Kitagawa, K. Saito

Scripture Reader: L. Fusé

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 light refreshments following the service at a cost of \$2.50 per person; children are free. The money raised will go to support the Mission and Service Fund of The United Church of Canada. Please remember we are a nut-free building.

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

May we be mindful of the goodness and friendships around us. **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.

Please feel free to contact Rev. Cooper anytime, at 416-447-5941 (church office). Thank you.

Lost and Found box in the narthex is full and some items have been there for almost a year. If you have lost items, could you please check. There are shoes, sunglasses, scarves, etc. Anything not claimed by **May 1**st will be donated to charity.

2018 BUC Directory - There have been many **changes** since the 2018 BUC Directory was printed. Copies of the list of changes are available on the table in the narthex or by email from **L. Fujita.**

Audio CD of the Service: We can 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.

Today, Sun. April 15th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service 1:00 p.m. – Council meeting in the narthex.

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Tues. April 17th - 1:00 p.m. - BUC Book Club will meet in the narthex. Free choice of subject. Everyone is welcome. For further information contact M.Griffiths.

Wed. April 18th – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the **Donway.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun. April 22nd – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service 1:00 p.m. – Healing Prayer Service in the sanctuary. Everyone is invited to attend this reflective and meditative service. There will be an opportunity for individual prayers and laying on of hands for anyone who would like this.

Thurs. April 26th – 2:00 p.m. Worship Service at Momiji. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun. April 29th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service 1:00 p.m. – Hospitality and Care meeting in the Sunday school room.

Sun. May 6th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service led by T. MacNeil. He is completing his master of Divinity this spring and is hoping to be ordained by Toronto Conference at the end of May.

The Sharing Table will take place on May 6th. You are invited to bring in new or gently used items to share with the congregation. Suitable items can relate to Mother's Day i.e. flowers, chocolates, jewellery, plants, books or anything of your choosing. This is a time to mix and mingle and have fun choosing a free item to take home. All are welcome to participate.

Wed. May 9th – 6:00 p.m. - Worship Team meeting in the narthex starting with dinner.

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Sun. May 13th – 11:00 a.m. – Mother's Day Worship Service followed by a hot dog lunch provided by the men of our congregation.

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

Wed. May 16th – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the **Donway**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun. May 20th – 11:00 a.m. – Pentecost Sunday 1:00 p.m. – Council meeting in the narthex if needed.

Choir practice is at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. If you like to sing, please join us!

Ushers: if anyone would like to be added to the roster of ushers for Sept 2018-June 2019 please contact L. Sumiya.

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

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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 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, Apr. 22, 2018 Head Usher: M. Kaneko

Ushers: T. & E. Yuan, D. Fam, K. Koyama

Scripture Reader: J. Brooker