

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, April 29th, 2018 11:00 a.m.

(*congregation stands as able)

Praising God

Prelude "What Wondrous Love Is This" arr. John Carter
Welcome & Announcements K. Shikaze
Truth & Reconciliation, Calls to Action #56, 57 I. Kagawa

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship

One: Shepherd God, we call on You to support us.

All: Your faithfulness carries us along.

One: When our spirits soar and our faith is strong,

All: You protect us and lift us to new heights of devotion.

One: Come, let us be guided and nurtured by our loving God,

All: Who is the Source and Strength of our faith.

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***Processional Hymn (373)** "As Comes the Breath of Spring"

Candle-Lighting Prayer for Toronto

Hymn (684) "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

Psalm Lesson Psalm 23
(God is my shepherd and source of blessing.)

* **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.
For ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn (224) "Sing a Happy Hallelujah" (vs. 1, 4)
(Young people leave for classes.)

Prayer for Grace (unison)

Holy God, You call us to walk Your way of life, but we sometimes prefer paths of our own making. You hold out Your hand, but we sometimes prefer to walk alone. You offer insight and support, but we sometimes close our eyes and ears. Help us to be open to Your presence in our lives. May we seek to be Your faithful and loving children today and always. Amen.

Assurance Sung (MV 154) "Deep in Our Hearts" (vs. 1 & 4)

Listening for God's Word

Epistle Reading 1 John 3:16-24
(Love is not just words, but is also actions.)

Gospel Reading John 10:11-18
(Jesus is the Good Shepherd.)

Anthem "A Prayer for Our Time" Joseph Martin

Sermon "Comforting Shepherd" Rev. Cooper

*Hymn (635) "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me" vs. 1 & 2

Responding to God

Offering "Traumerei" Robert Schumann

* 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 (494) "Those Hearts That We Have Treasured"

*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 "Notturmo" Op. 54 #4 Edvard Grieg

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Sunday, April 29, 2018

Head Usher: B. Jackson

Ushers: M. Griffiths, E. Turnbull

Scripture Reader: E. Scott

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.**

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

The flowers are in tribute to those who were tragically killed, those who were injured and all those who responded to the horrific act of violence committed on Yonge Street on Monday, April 23rd. Our hearts go out to all who are grieving and hurting from this tragedy. Our special thanks to N. Keen for

delivering the Mums to the Toronto Strong Vigil area later this afternoon. 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.

Rev. Cooper will be on holiday from April 30th to May 6th.

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

This year marks the 100th anniversary of Toronto Chinese United Church. A special choral concert “All Things Bright & Beautiful” will be held today, April 29 at 4:00 p.m. at the church located at 3300 Kennedy Road, Scarborough. The concert will feature choirs from United Church and Mississauga Chinese United Church and Toronto Chinese United Church, an organ and piano duet, as well as a soprano solo. Tickets: \$5 each at the door.

The City of Toronto will host the #TorontoStrong Vigil this Sunday evening (April 29th) at Mel Lastman Square (5100 Yonge St.) at 7:00 p.m. Members of the public are encouraged to attend and support all those who have been affected by Monday's tragedy in Toronto.

This City-hosted vigil, organized in collaboration with community groups, Faith in the City and the Toronto Area Interfaith Council, will be a demonstration of Toronto's solidarity of support and resilience. It begins with an Indigenous drumming circle and ends with music.

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.

1:00 p.m. – Council meeting in the narthex

12:30 p.m. - 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, jewelry, 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.

Newsletter: The Deadline for submitting articles for the next church newsletter is Sunday, May 6th.

South West Presbytery Intercultural Workshop Sat., May 5th, from 10-1 p.m. at Lansing United Church, 49 Bogert Ave. Theme: Where are we at being intercultural? What are we excited about? Where are we concerned? What are our hopes for the new region? No cost and lunch is provided.

"Trends in Christian Music in the GTA: A workshop on discovery and diversity. We are people from around the globe. How does music shape who we are today?" Sunday, May 6, 2- 4 p.m. With Dr. S. Lim, from Emmanuel College. Thornhill United Church, 25 Elgin St. Freewill offering.

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

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.

Thurs. May 24th – 2:00 p.m. – Worship Service at Momiji. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Sun. May 27th - 11:00 a.m. - Spirit.calm, a gospel music group, will be leading our worship service.

Choir practice is every Thursday 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.

Lansing United Church (49 Bogert Ave.) Nearly New Shop is re-opening soon. They are happy to receive your gently used clothing, toys, kitchenware, shoes, jewelry, baby clothes, bedding, and other linen goods. They cannot accept stuffed toys, appliances or baby furniture or car seats. Items can be dropped off Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and Thursday evenings until 8:30 p.m. Thank you for your support.

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.**

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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.

Next Sunday, May 6, 2018

Head Usher: B. Jackson

Ushers: M. Sakamoto, E. & S. Turnbull

Scripture Reader: B. Haddock