

# 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.*

## Palm Sunday Celebration of Holy Communion Special Choir Music

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019 11:00 a.m.

(\*congregation stands as able)

### Praising God

Prelude "Alma Virgo" Hummel

Welcome & Announcements K. Shikaze

Musical Interlude

Gospel Reading Luke 19:28-40

(The triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.)

### Call to Worship

One: Let us dance and sing and shout for joy,

**All: As Jesus enters Jerusalem riding on a donkey.**

One: Let us raise our hands and wave our palm branches,

**All: As we shout, "Hosanna! Hosanna!"**

One: "Blessed is Jesus who comes in the name of the Lord."

**All: Let the celebration begin.**

\*Processional Hymn (123) "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"  
(Let us wave our palm branches in celebration.)

### Opening Prayer (unison)

God Who embraces all of us, You know how faithful or fickle we are. You know how quickly we can change our minds. Jesus heard cheers turn to jeers, and shouts of hosanna turn to cries of "crucify him." Yet, He remained true to Himself and to Your greater purpose. Grant us faith that is full, fearless and free to follow wherever You lead. Let us eat the bread of solidarity and drink the cup of courage. Amen.

## Celebration of Holy Communion

### The Invitation to the Table

\*Hymn (130) "An Upper Room Our Lord Prepared"  
(tune: 372)

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift our hearts in prayer.**

One: Let us give thanks.

**All: It is good to give God thanks and praise.**

One: Come, friends! A feast has been prepared for us!

**All: We come with joy and eagerness.**

One: Not everyone will feel the joy. Coming to this feast also means sharing in Christ's suffering.

**All: We remember the story of the dry bones where in the valley was the shadow of death.**

One: In a similar valley Jesus lived. It was a place where life was precarious because of injustice.

**All: It was a place that was so dry nothing could live in its midst.**

One: It was a place whose future would only be determined by an empire that only lived for itself and took the lives of those it considered troublemakers.

**All: Jesus came into this valley of dry bones and brought new life, hope and richness to the people.**

One: Jesus then prophesied to the people, saying, "I have come that you may have abundant life."

**All: But there were some who did not want the bones to live; they wanted to keep the parched places just as they were.**

One: Yet Jesus prophesied to the bones and said, "Yes, these bones can live!"

**All: So when those in power started to surround him, he shared a meal with his friends.**

One: He celebrated the meal by saying, "Take and eat, this is my body. Take and drink, this is my blood."

**All: He shared the cup and the loaf in the midst of the valley of the dry bones.**

One: Then those in power broke his bones by nailing him to a tree. They tried to bury those bones behind a stone.

**All: But the Divine would honour the prophecy that the bones would live again, and the bones did live. They were brought together and renewed, rejuvenated, and resurrected.**

One: The bones are alive. We no longer live in the midst of the dry bones. We live surrounded by the abundance of creation which is new life, life eternal. Amen.

### Words of Institution

#### Receiving the Bread and Wine

(You are invited to come forward and take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. If you are not able to come forward, someone will come to serve you where you are seated.)

**Hymns (480)** "Let Us Break Bread Together" and then  
**(466)** "Eat This Bread" sung until all are served.

**Eat this bread, drink this cup;  
come to me and never be hungry.  
Eat this bread, drink this cup;  
trust in me and you will not thirst.**

#### Post-Communion Prayer (together)

**Companion God, You give us bread for the journey and do not leave us to walk alone. We walk with each other in the troubled and joyful parts of our lives. We celebrate the One who walks with us in the valleys and mountaintops of our human moments. For this triumph of spirit and new life, we give You thanks. Amen.**

(Young people leave for classes.)

### Responding to God

**Offering** Minuet #1 from Sonata, Op.8 #2 Antonio Soler

\* **Dedication** (MV 182)

**Refrain: Grateful for the life You give us,  
Thankful for Your Holy Son,  
Joyful in Your Spirit flowing  
Over all, O God of Love.  
Grateful for the Bread of Heaven,  
Thankful for Your Holy Word,  
Joyful in Your mercy flowing,  
We will praise You.**

May our lives proclaim Your justice,  
May our voices sing Your praise.  
May our hands work in Your service  
To the glory of Your name. (Refrain)

\***Prayer**

### Special Choir Music for Palm/Passion Sunday

**Passion Scripture** Mark 14:43-50; 66-72  
(The arrest of Jesus; Peter denies Jesus.)

“Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!” arr. Gordon Young

Requiem: Sanctus Gabriel Fauré

Requiem: Agnus Dei Gabriel Fauré

**Passion Scripture** Mark 15:1-15  
(Jesus before Pilate and sentenced to death.)

**Solo** Requiem: Pie Jesu Gabriel Fauré  
Lauren Lazar, soprano

“Were You There?” Dale Wood

Messiah: “And the Glory of the Lord” G. F. Handel

**Commissioning and Benediction**

**\*Choral Amen “Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me;  
Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
With God our creator, children all are we;  
Let us walk with each other, in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me, let this be the moment now,  
With ev’ry step I take let this be my solemn vow;  
To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally  
Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

**Postlude** "Here I Am, Lord" Daniel Schutte arr. J. Schrader

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**Head Usher: S. Hu**

**Ushers:** L. Hirowatari, M. Kaneko,  
H. & C. Ichiyen

**Scripture Reader:** L. Clubine-Ito

**Special thanks** to K. Quinton, our music director, and to the choir for all their hard work in preparing such a beautiful collection of music for us to enjoy. Many thanks to you all!

**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 \$3.00 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.

**On Palm Sunday,** altar flowers are placed by D. Amos in loving memory of her dear parents, William and Nellie [nee Peacock] Amos. 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.

**Easter Lilies:** If you would like to place an Easter lily in the church on Easter Sunday, there are 6 available at a cost of \$15.00 each. Please contact L. Fujita before Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please send them to M. Leone at [office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca) or call 416-447-5941 by Wednesday.

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

**Call for Choir Members:** Any congregation member who would enjoy singing with the **choir** is invited to attend choir practice on Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. All voices are

welcome (and particularly sopranos at the moment). Practice recordings of our music are always made available, and many anthems are also on YouTube, if you are not able to attend on Thursdays. (Several of our members participate in this way.) Please contact K. Quinton.

**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.

**Lenten Calendars are available.** You are invited to bring back a donation on Easter Sunday. This year our Lenten Project is to support the United Church's **Gifts with Vision**. We will be supporting for \$100 the Build a Well project in Africa and \$100 delivers food, shelter, education, and programs for the 65 million displaced persons in Africa and the Middle East. Thank you for your support.

**Cyclone Idai** caused severe flooding and devastation after making landfall on March 14, 2019. The storm has affected an estimated 2.6 million people in Mozambique, Zimbabwe, and Malawi, ruining crops, injuring thousands, and destroying almost everything in its path. The current official death toll [is over 760](#); that number is expected to rise sharply. If you would like to respond to this humanitarian crisis you can give a donation to Bayview United Church and we will forward it to the United Church emergency response. Please mark your cheque "Cyclone Idai". Thank you for your consideration of

this important appeal. Bayview United Church will give a donation to the United Church Emergency Appeal through the Audrey Sasaki Fund (ASF).

**The Youth Class will meet, May 5<sup>th</sup>.** We are very grateful that J. Yuan has agreed to lead the Youth Class for one Sunday each month. Copies of the youth curriculum are available to anyone interested in joining as a volunteer leader for this class.

**Sun. April 14<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Palm Sunday Service with Holy Communion and special music from the choir.**  
**1:00 p.m. - Japanese Language Service** in the sanctuary.

**Tues. April 16<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 p.m. - BUC Book Club** will meet in the narthex. Free choice of subject. We welcome new people to join us. For further information contact B. Marshall.

**Wed. April 17<sup>th</sup> – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the Donway.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Fri. April 19<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Good Friday Service** to remember the last day of Jesus' life. Followed by light refreshments.

**Sun. April 21<sup>st</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Service.** We celebrate the resurrection of Jesus through word and song. Please remember to bring your Lenten offering. Thank you.

**Thurs. April 25<sup>th</sup> - 2:00 p.m. - Worship Service at Momiji.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Sat. April 27<sup>th</sup> – 9:30 a.m. – 2:15 p.m. - Women's Fellowship Circle Daybreak held at Momiji.** Cost with catered lunch and program is \$15.00 payable to A. Kunihiro or L. Hirowatari.

The guest speaker is **A. Pruner**, a yoga teacher, yoga therapist and somatic educator. With a blend of humour and compassion, her session will focus on recognizing tension in the body and the nervous system, building presence and freeing up our body, breath and spirit. As stress increases in our lives, it becomes more important to take a pause for self care. This can be as simple as a few easy breaths in and out, or a simple stretch, or some quiet meditation. Come and learn how you can re-centre, re-align and then re-engage with life in an easy and productive way. All this will be accomplished with gentle, seated movements. **All women are welcome.**

**Sun. April 28<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service**

**1:00 p.m. – Hospitality and Care meeting** in the Sunday School room.

**Sun. May 5<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service. We welcome members of the Order of the Eastern Star** to our worship service. They are graciously providing the lunch following the service.

**12:30 p.m. - The Sharing Table.** 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.

**1:00 p.m. – Council Meeting** in the narthex.

**Sun. May 12<sup>th</sup> – 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 15<sup>th</sup> – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the Donway.** Everyone is welcome to attend.

**6:00 p.m. – Worship Team Dinner and meeting** in the narthex.

**Sun. May 19<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service.**

**Newsletter: The Deadline** for submitting articles for the next church newsletter is **May 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please submit articles to M. Leone in the office or email them to her at [office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca).

**Lansing United Church (49 Bogert Ave.) Nearly New Shop** is now open. 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, 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 close friend or 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.

**Sunday April 21st, 2019**

**Head Usher: D. Domelle**

**Ushers: H. & I. Kagawa, K. Koyama, G. Omoto**

**Scripture Reader: K. Liddle**