

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.

Creation Time Begins The Gift of Oceans

Sunday, September 8th, 2019 11:00 a.m.

(* indicates please stand as you are able)

Praising God

Prelude "For the Beauty of the Earth"
Pierpoint/Kocher arr. Keveren

Welcome & Announcements K. Shikaze

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship

One: Come join the waters' songs of praise,

All: from gurgling brooks to crashing waves.

One: Rejoice in all the seven seas,

All: that cool the earth and meet our needs.

One: In rivers swift and oceans deep,

All: We hear God's love song, clear and sweet.

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One: Aquatic life in all its forms,

All: Sustains the earth within God's arms.

One: Come worship God who blesses us with water.

* Hymn (242) "Let All Things Now Living"

Opening Prayer (unison)

Great Spirit God, whose love is wider than the ocean and deeper than the sea, thank You for the precious gift of water. We honour water and celebrate its many forms. We rejoice in all that live within the rivers, lakes and oceans and call home. Thank You for breaching whales and pink salmon, kelp forests and acres of plankton. As we gather in worship, may we hear You speaking to us through the wonders of water and reclaim it as a sacred trust. Amen.

*Hymn (577) "I've Got Peace like a River"

A Time with the Children

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 (577) "I've Got Peace Like a River" vs. 1 & 3

(Young people are invited to go to classes.)

Prayer for Grace (unison)

Loving Creator of all that is good, we marvel at the mysteries of the ocean and wonders of the sea. Forgive us for being silent when we harm the water that is home to thousands of species and jeopardize the health of our planet. Awaken our concern and make us better stewards of all creation. May we hallow water as Your daily gift and symbol of Jesus, the Living Water. Amen.

Sung Assurance (381) "Spirit of Life" (repeat once)

Listening for God's Word

Hebrew Reading Job 38: 1-11
(God calls Job to remember God as the great Architect and Creator of all.)

Psalm Reading Psalm 104: 24-26
(God is revealed through the wisdom of creation.)

Sermon "Oceans Speak Volumes" Rev. Cooper

* **Hymn (225)** "We Praise You for the Sun"

Responding to God

Offertory Minuet (from Nannerl's Notebook) K.5 Mozart

* **Dedication (518)** "As Those of Old Their First-fruits Brought"
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 (222)** "Come, Let Us Sing"

***Commissioning and Benediction**

***Choral Closing (298)** "When You Walk from Here"
**When you walk from here, when you walk from here,
Walk with justice, walk with mercy
and with God's humble care. (repeat)**

Postlude "Here I Am, Lord" Schutte arr. Schrader

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Today, September 8, 2019

Head Usher: B. Jackson

Ushers: M. Griffiths, H. Nagata, G. Omoto,
T. Takasaki

Scripture Reader: H. Ichiyen

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 in Fellowship Hall 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.

If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please send them to office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca or call 416-447-5941 by Wednesday.

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If you care to donate flowers for a Sunday morning worship service, in memoriam or for a special occasion, please contact **C. Ichiyen, 905-274-0243**, by Wednesday prior to a service.

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

September is Terry Fox Month – If anyone is interested in supporting the Terry Fox Run for cancer, please place your donation in a white envelope and place on the offering plate. The Terry Fox Run takes place on Sun. Sept. 15th, but you are invited to give a donation throughout the month. Please make cheques payable to The Terry Fox Foundation.

The Worship Ministry Team is looking to add more ushers to the list of volunteers. Our goal is to have enough volunteers so that each usher is called on for a maximum five or six Sundays each year. If you can usher, even for a few Sundays, please contact L. Sumiya. Out thanks to all who continue to volunteer as head usher, usher and scripture readers each Sunday.

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.

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Today, Sunday Sept. 8th – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service based on Creation Time.
1:00 p.m. - Japanese Language Service

Mon. Sept 9th – 1 p.m. – Bridge Group will meet in the narthex. Everyone is welcome. The Bridge Group meets on the first Monday of each month. Contact M. Griffiths at 416-222-1899.

Sun. Sept. 15th - 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service based on Creation. Today is the Terry Fox Run.
12:45 p.m. – A planning meeting for the Festival on Bayview will be held in the Sunday School room. All are welcome to attend.

Tues. Sept. 17th - 1:00 p.m. - BUC Book Club will meet in the narthex. Subject: review of summer reading. We welcome new people to join us. For further information call B. Marshall at 416-222-8265.

Wed. Sept. 18th – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the Donway. Everyone is welcome to attend.
7:00 p.m. – Worship Team meeting in the narthex.

Sun. Sept. 22nd - 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service based on Creation Time.
1:00 p.m. - Council Meeting in the narthex.

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

Sun. Sept. 29th - 11:00 a.m. – 5th Anniversary Service with special music by Spirit.calm. Everyone is invited to a complimentary lunch in Fellowship Hall following the service.

Sun. Oct. 6th – 11:00 a.m. –Worship Service and celebration of World Wide Communion.

**Sun. Oct. 12th – 11:00 a.m. –Thanksgiving Sunday
1:00 p.m. - Japanese Language Service.**

Sat. Oct. 19th – Festival on Bayview. Please invite your family and friends to attend, and offer your assistance to make this event a success.

Festival on Bayview – Saturday October 19th - We are hosting a fundraiser musical concert at 2 p.m. with a silent auction. Baking, preserves, Japanese food, crafts and refreshments will be sold during the intermission. Tickets are \$20.00 (children 12 and under are free) and can be purchased from D. Amos or C. MacLean. Please let family and friends know and consider helping as you are able. 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 close friend or yourself. Please call M. Sakamoto at 289-232-5443 or email E. Turnbull at ejz@sympatico.ca 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 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, September 15th, 2019

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Ushers: J. Bennett, D. Honda, M. Kaneko

Scripture Reader: J. Bennett