

# 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

### World Wide Communion Sunday

Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 11:00 a.m.

(\* indicates please stand as you are able)

## Praising God

**Prelude** "In Green Pastures" Harold Darke

**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Musical Interlude** C. MacLean

### Call to Worship

One: Come join the sun, moon and stars in praise of God.

**All: The heavens declare the glory of God.**

One: Let us marvel and rejoice in the Milky Way.

**All: We worship the Creator of our solar system.**

One: We gather round God's table, to feast on God's love, forgiveness, peace and joy.

**All: We bring our hunger so we can be fed, we bring our emptiness so we can be filled, and we bring ourselves, so we can be loved.**

One: Let us celebrate this universal Creator of sky and sacrament, where all are welcomed at God's table.

\* **Hymn (240)** "Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven"

(Young people are invited to go to classes and return for communion.)

### Opening Prayer (unison)

Cosmic God of Northern Lights and shooting stars, shimmering moon and radiant sun, the vast expanse of our universe astounds us. Today as we feel the connection with the heavens and earth, help us to know we all grow from the same vine and are connected beyond words. As the heavens declare Your glory, O God, help us to awaken to Your cosmic wonders that surround us. Amen.

\***Hymn (MV 154)** "Deep in Our Hearts" (vs. 1 & 4)

### Prayer for Grace (unison)

Holy God, we are awed by the glory of Your cosmic creation. On this World Wide Communion Sunday, help us to seek ways to be at one with You and all creation. The sun, the moon, the stars, and the universe all have their purpose for our lives. Yet at times we take Your creation for granted. We focus on our own lives and our own needs. Enable us to see our interconnectedness and interdependence so that we may be loving stewards of all that surrounds us. Inspire us all to live together in harmony and in joy. Amen.

**Sung Assurance (400)** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"  
(repeat once)

## Listening for God's Word

**Hebrew Lesson** Job 38:1-7, 12, 19-20, and 31-33  
(God questions Job on the creation of the universe.)

**Psalm Reading** Psalm 148:1-6, 13-14  
(The universe is called to praise God.)

**Anthem** "The Majesty and Glory of Your Name"  
Johnson/Fettke

**Sermon** "Cosmic Wonders" Rev. Cooper

\* **Hymn (278)** "In the Quiet Curve of Evening" vs. 1 & 2

## Responding to God

**Offertory** Arietta Op. 12 #1 Edvard Grieg  
\* **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**  
(The young people are invited to join in communion.)

## Celebration of Holy Communion

### Invitation to the Table

One: People of faith, welcome to this table of blessings!

**All: We seek to be fed and nurtured.**

One: People of faith, bring your doubts and fears and leave them at this table.

**All: Christ meets us here and accepts each one of us just as we are.**

One: People of faith, let us unite with Christians everywhere as we satisfy our hunger and deepen our faith.

\***Communion Hymn (467)** "One Bread, One Body"

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: God be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them up to God.**

One: Let us give thanks.

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

One: God, we give You thanks for the richness of the world You have created.

**All: We celebrate the purple mountains soaring above wildflower plains, where grasses raise their heads to meet the summer breeze.**

One: You send clouds floating endlessly around the sky and set stars to twinkle upon the earth with joy and delight.

**All: You call the dolphins to dance and play in the waves, and the camels to saunter endlessly across the desert sands.**

One: We see Your image glowing in the faces of children playing together on playgrounds, and we delight in Your voice shining through the hearts of all people who seek to live in a spirit of love.

**All: We shout "Amen!" as You give us life so that we may live together in this world flowing with milk and honey.**

One: As we gather around this table, remind us of other tables around the world. Let us see the many hands breaking bread. Let us see the many cups raised up for a blessing.

**All: Remind us, O God, that this table knows no limits. Help us to stretch this table from one horizon to the other, with all the faithful gathered around it.**

One: As we eat the bread and drink from the cup, may Your Spirit seek to fill us and our world. Teach us, O God, the way of the bread, the source of life, and the way of the cup, the life in our veins. Unite us in Your Spirit of faith and love as we celebrate Your gift to us. Amen.

### **Words of Institution**

#### **Sharing the Bread and the Cup**

(Please wait until all have been served before you eat & drink.)

#### **Post-Communion Prayer (unison)**

**Loving God, we have been fed here by Your love. Thank You for the ways in which You care for us and others. We give thanks for Your gift of creation and pray that one day we may all be one in Your Spirit. Touch our lives with Your Spirit and send us forth with love and gratitude. Amen.**

\* **Recessional Hymn (402)** "We Are One"

#### **\*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** "Let Us Break Bread Together"  
Traditional Spiritual arr. John Carter

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**Today, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Head Usher: D. Domelle**

**Ushers: H. & C. Ichiyen, H. & I. Kagawa**

**Scripture Reader: P. Widgery**

**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 M. Leone at [office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca) or call 416-447-5941 by Wednesday.

Nature's gift of flowers and trees make the earth sing. Today's flowers are placed by R. and K. Shikaze. 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.

**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.

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

**Mon. Oct. 7th – 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.

**Tues. Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> – 7:30 p.m.- M&P meeting in the narthex**

**Sun. Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. –Thanksgiving Sunday  
1:00 p.m. - Japanese Language Service.**

**Tues. Oct. 15<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 call B. Marshall.

**Wed. Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> – 2:30 p.m. – Worship Service at the Donway.** Everyone is welcome.  
**7:00 p.m. – Worship Team meeting** in the narthex.

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

**Sun. Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service on the Creation Time theme of Conservation.**

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

**Thurs. Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> – 2:00 p.m. – Worship Service** at Momiji. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Sun. Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – World Food Day Worship**

**Service.** We will also be commemorating “Orange Shirt Day”, a day to remember the former students of residential schools. If you have an orange T-shirt you are invited to wear it.

**Please Note:** If you would like to buy one you can go to [orangeshirtday.net](http://orangeshirtday.net) and scroll over to orange T-shirt with turtle design by Vinita Rathod for \$12.00. (The church will pay for our children’s T-Shirts, just give the bill to K. Shikaze.) Following the service we will have Stone Soup. Everyone is invited to bring one cup of veggies for the soup. Cost of soup: \$5.00 to support the food bank.

**12:45pm H & C Meeting-Sunday School Room**

**Sun. Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 11am Worship Service - Memorial Sunday**  
**Worship Service** to remember loved ones who have passed away since Sept. 2018. Everyone is invited to a complimentary lunch following the service. If you have had a loved one or friend pass away this past year, please let Rev. Cooper know their name and date of passing by Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

**Sun. Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. - Remembrance Sunday**  
**Worship Service.** Our guest speaker will be **F. Moritsugu**, a former sergeant in the Canadian Army Intelligence Corps during WW II.

**Festival on Bayview – Saturday October 19<sup>th</sup>** - 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.

**The choir needs YOU!!!**

**All congregation members** who have time and enjoy singing are invited to join the choir. A long commitment is not

essential. Special recordings of our music are sent to you for practice, and YouTube videos are available for many anthems online, if you are not able to come to Thursday evening (7:30) practice. Some of our members have always participated in this way. We are flexible, friendly, helpful, and every voice type is welcome. Please speak with K. Quinton.

**Hurricane Dorian:** We have all heard of the devastation caused by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas. If you would like to help the people, the United Church is collecting money to send to the people. If you would like to donate, you can make a cheque out to BUC and mark it Hurricane relief and we will send the donations to the United Church. 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 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 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.

### **TORONTO UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL'S 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HEART AND VISION CELEBRATION – MONDAY OCTOBER 28, 2019**

Support United Church camping programs and enjoy a rousing Gospel Music Review.

The 2019 Heart & Vision concert celebrates the outstanding contribution to social justice made by the Honourable Margaret McCain. Ms. McCain's authoring of the Early Years Report and her tireless advocacy on behalf of child health has had a profound and positive impact on our society's preschool and primary education systems. Please join us to hear her perspective on the challenges we face today. Award-winning musician and humourist, Mary Lou Fallis will host the event, which will also feature a Gospel Music Review with Jackie Richardson, Alana Bridgewater and Billy Newton Davis. The event will enjoy a new format – dinner and concert will be held at the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse on Trinity St. with a reception starting at 6 pm. Dinner and concert event begin at 6:45. Tickets include dinner and are \$150. They can be purchased online at <http://tinyurl.com/heartandvision2019> or by phone at 905-771-5124. Proceeds support United Church camps in south central Ontario.

**Next Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**Head Usher: E. Turnbull**

**Ushers: T. & E. Yuan, M. Kitagawa, P. Widgery**

**Scripture Reader: M. Kitagawa**