

# 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 after Epiphany Mission Sunday

Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020 11:00 a.m.  
*(\*congregation stands as able)*

### Praising God

**Prelude** "See Among the Winter's Snow" arr. Noel Rawsthorne

**Welcome & Announcements** K. Shikaze

**Musical Interlude**

**Call to Worship** K. Shikaze

One: As we gather to worship, we are called to care for those in our world who are in need of love and support.

**All: We give thanks for the inspiration and work of our United Church of Canada through the Mission and Service Fund.**

One: Help us in our worship to be a justice-seeking and compassionate community.

**All: Let us seek to bring the needs of others into our reality...**

One: as we worship and give thanks to God!

**\*Processional Hymn (401)** "Worship the Lord"

**Opening Prayer (unison)** K. Shikaze  
Ever-loving God, You have encouraged us to be a caring and empathetic church. You taught us that justice is Your Will and kindness Your Way. Help us in our worship to see the needs of our sisters and brothers not only here in Canada, but also around the world. Give us the wisdom and the determination to offer support to the communities most in need. Amen.

**Hebrew Scripture** Micah 6:6-8  
(God speaks about what is required of us.)

**\*Hymn (585)** "Jesus Bids Us Shine" vs. 1&2

**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 (585)** "Jesus Bids Us Shine" vs. 3  
(Young people leave for classes.)

**Prayer for Grace (unison)** K. Shikaze  
Loving God, as we gather in prayer, open us to be a church where the fruits of our work seek to uplift us all. Sometimes we focus more on our own needs and forget about the people in need around the world. Help us to be a people of grace who seek to open the world's heart to bring support and hope to all people. Amen.

**Assurance of Grace** K. Shikaze  
One: The good news is that there is no divide God cannot cross and no separation God cannot bridge.  
**All: God's care reaches out to us as we seek to embrace a spirit of love and compassion.**  
One: Thanks be to God. Amen.

### **Listening for God's Word**

**Psalm Reading** Psalm 15  
(Who may be a guest in God's house?)

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 5:1-12 (NRSV)  
(Blessed are the poor in spirit.)

**Solo** "The God of Love My Shepherd Is" Eric Thiman  
K. Davidson, Soprano

**Reflection** "Mission with Service"

**\*Hymn (603)** "In Loving Partnership" vs. 1, 2, 3

### **Responding to God**

**Offering** "Le Rappel des Oiseaux" Jean Philippe Rameau

**\* 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**

**Minute for Mission** K. Shikaze

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

**\*Commissioning and Benediction**

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

**Postlude** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"  
arr. Jack Schrader  
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**Special thanks** to the Community and Global Partnership Team for participating in our worship service today and for providing us with such delicious home-made soup. Thank you to everyone who cooked soup and helped serve.

**Today, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020.**

**Head Usher: B. Jackson**

**Ushers: H. & I. Kagawa, S. Hu**

**Scripture Reader: J. Brooker**

**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 soup lunch in Fellowship Hall following the service, at a cost of \$7.00 per person; children are free.

**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.

We are appreciative of the kindness and peace within our church.

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.

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.

**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.

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

**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. Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Mission Sunday** led by the Community and Global Partnership Team. Following the service there will be a soup lunch. The cost for soup is \$7.00 per person; children are free. Proceeds go to support M&S.

**Sun. Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Worship Service with the celebration of Holy Communion.**  
**The Youth Class will meet on February 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Tues. Feb. 4 – 7:15 p.m. - M & P meeting** in the narthex.

**Sun. Feb. 9 – 11:00 a.m. – Black History Worship Service**  
**12:30 p.m. – Sharing Table**  
The Sharing Table will be held right after lunch. Suitable items to share with the congregation can be things pertaining to Valentine's Day, such as candies, chocolates, red things or anything of your choosing. Items can be new or gently used. Everyone is welcome to participate and have fun choosing a free item to take home.

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

**Sun. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – BUC Family Day Worship Service and Pot Luck Luncheon** held downstairs in Fellowship Hall. We encourage everyone to bring a family photo and a favourite family food item from your past or present if you are able. Signup sheets will be posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Happy cooking! - Hospitality and Care Team.

**Sun. Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Ash Wednesday Worship Service** with special guest speaker Dr. K. Saito, grandson of Ruth Saito who passed away just over a year ago. Dr. Saito recently returned from a 6 month mission with MSF (also known as Doctors Without Borders) in Iraq. Following the service there will be a pancake lunch provided by the men of the church at a cost of \$10.00 person; children are free. Proceeds will go to MSF.

**Sun. March 1<sup>st</sup> – 11:00 a.m. – Lent 1 - Worship Service**  
followed by the Annual Meeting at 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

**Annual Reports for 2019** are due on Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please send reports to church office, [office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca](mailto:office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca). The Annual Meeting will be held on Sun. March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

**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 contact K. Quinton.

**Church Cancellation Notification Procedure:** In the event of bad weather conditions, it may become necessary to cancel the Sunday worship service. - Here is how the decision will be made and how you will be notified: Rev. Cooper and C. MacLean (alternate K. Shikaze) will have a conversation before 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning and will decide whether or not to cancel the service that day. Those who are on the email list will be notified by 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning, if in fact the service is going to be cancelled. - So, if the weather is bad, please check your email before heading off to church. Others will be notified by telephone by 8:30 a.m., or shortly thereafter.

**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 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.

**Next Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020.**

**Head Usher: B. Jackson**

**Ushers: D. Fam, K. Saito, K. Shikaze, P. Watanabe**

**Scripture Reader: P. Watanabe**