

Bayview United Church

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Conference Call Worship Service

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 3rd, 2020

11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Reliability is being dependable. Others can rely on us to be responsible. We genuinely care about keeping our commitments. When we say we will do something, we do it in a predictable way without forgetting or having to be reminded. We avoid taking on too much, so we can give fully to what we choose to do. We finish on time. No obstacle can stop us from giving our best. When friends need us, we are there. We are promise-keepers. (Virtues Project)
“The only lifelong, reliable motivations are those that come from within, and one of the strongest of those is the joy and pride that grow from knowing that you’ve just done something as well as you can do it.”

(Lloyd Dobens)

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Praising God

Prelude “Lord of the Dance” with “Were You There”
arr. Joel Raney



Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Let us take a moment to quiet our thoughts as we prepare to enter into worship...

Shhh! Did you hear that? Jesus is calling your name. He wants you to follow Him. If you go, Jesus will lead you to green pastures, to still waters and will restore your soul. Are you ready to go? If you are, then be prepared to enter into the adventure of your life. Just open your heart and mind and begin the journey. Let us worship God with joy and thanksgiving!

Opening Prayer (together)

Shepherding God, You are always ahead to lead us on our journey. You are behind us to encourage us along the way. You are beside us to support us, below us to uphold us and above us to transcend us. May we feel Your guiding and protective Spirit so we may allow ourselves to be led and supported by Your love. Amen.

Hymn (626) "I Heard the Voice of Jesus" vs.1&3

1 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast."
I came to Jesus as I was,
weary and worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
"I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright."
I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till travelling days are done.

Prayer for Grace (together)

Companion God, You call us to walk Your way of life, yet sometimes we prefer paths of our own making. You hold out Your hand, but we sometimes prefer to walk alone. You offer insight and support, yet

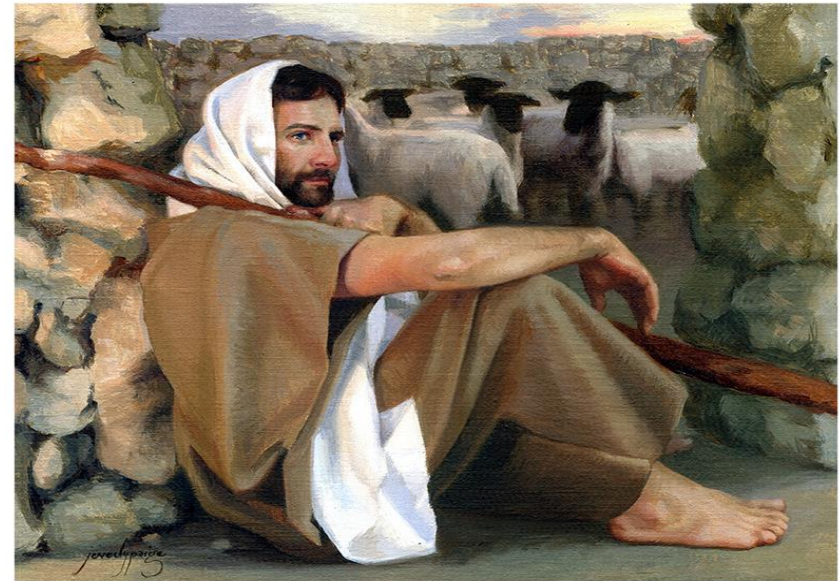
sometimes we close our eyes and ears. Help us to be open to Your presence, to listen for Your voice and to follow where You lead, that we may find the way that leads to abundant life. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

When we open our ears and listen, new possibilities and learnings will present themselves to us and they will guide us into the future in a spirit of hope and certainty. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Listening for God's Word

Gospel Lesson John 10:1-10 J. Cermak
(Jesus the good shepherd and the gate.)



Solo "Jesús, the Very Thought of Thee"
de Clairvaux/Thiman
P. Tibbles Cookson, Mezzo Soprano

Sermon "Intelligent Sheep!" Rev. Cooper

Hymn (747) "The Lord's My Shepherd" vs. 1, 3, 5

- 1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me,
the quiet waters by.
- 3 Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
yet will I fear no ill;
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.
- 5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me,
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling-place shall be.

Responding to God

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (together)

**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 (343) "I Love to Tell the Story" vs. 1 & 3

- 1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
**I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.**
- 3 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song,
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. **R**

Commissioning and Benediction

God is your shade at your right hand;
The sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.
God will watch over your life;
God will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.
(Psalm 121:5-8)
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of God's hand.
(Irish Blessing)

Postlude "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Runyan
arr. Larry Shackley

Thank you for listening to the Conference Call
Worship Service today. We hope the gift of God's
love will uplift and fill you with joy and hope for the
week ahead. Our world has been turned upside down

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and so it is nice we can count on the stability of our faith to give us the strength and support we need.

Many thanks to B. Kai for coordinating our Conference Call, to J. Cermak for reading our scripture, and to K. Quinton, L. Lazar, and P. Tibbles Cookson for inspiring us with their music.

Due to the high cost of our Worship Conference Calls, we are going to switch to a new call-in system next Sunday, May 10th. You will receive a new phone number to call next week by mail, phone or email. If you have any questions you can call or email the church office. 416-447-5941

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God bless you, stay well, stay safe and we hope you tune in next week...same day, same time, and a **NEW** phone number.

May you have a Blessed Easter Season!

