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Worship Service

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World Food Day

Sunday, October 24th, 2021 11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

Commitment is caring deeply about a person, a goal or belief. Once we discern a direction, we go for it wholeheartedly. We don't hold back, second-guess our decision or hesitate to act on it fully. We set goals and achieve them. We make promises and keep them. We go the extra mile. We are faithful to our relationships and don't allow problems to make us waiver. Keeping our commitments strengthens our inner integrity. It deepens our capacity to carry responsibility with grace. (The Virtues Project)

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Praising God

Prelude "Simple Gifts" trad. Shaker melody
arr. Cindy Berry



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Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Let us take a moment to quiet our thoughts as we prepare our hearts for worship...

This is the day that God has made - let us rejoice and be glad in it! (Psalm 118:24)

God says, "Everyone who thirsts, come to the water." Come, you who have no money. Come by and eat. Come and feast on the living bread so that we might minister to the world's hungers. Let us come to drink from the waters of life, so that we might minister to the world's thirsts! May our worship enable us to bring compassion and help to those in need. Together let us give God thanks and praise as we worship!

Opening Prayer (together)

As we come to You in worship, Compassionate God, we come rejoicing at the rich bounty of Your land. We celebrate Your gift and seek to share these resources with others in the world. Help us to be part of a world response that works in partnership with those seeking to foster equitable resource sharing. May our worship seek to lift up Your presence in our lives and help us to find new ways to answer the call to end hunger so all people may flourish. Amen.

Hymn (222) "Come, Let Us Sing" vs. 1, 2, 3

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord our song,
we have stood silently too long;
surely the Lord deserves our praise,
so joyfully thank God for our days.
- 2 O thirsty soul, come drink at the well;
God's living waters will never fail.
Surely the Lord will help you to stand,
strengthened and comforted by God's hand.
- 3 You dwell among us and cause us to pray,
and walk with each other following your way;
our precious brothers and sisters will grow
in the fulfilling love they know.

Prayer for Grace (together)

Creator God, Your gifts are great and Your grace is unending. We realize we sometimes take for granted all that You have provided for us: the food we eat, the water we drink, the air we breathe, the homes we live in, the schools we

attend, the political rights and freedoms we enjoy and the faith we share. Help us, compassionate God, to be grateful for all of these gifts and may we seek ways to share our blessings with those who are in need around us. Amen.

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

Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
send us love, send us power, send us grace!

Repeat once

Listening for God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Joel 2:18-27 J. Booker
(God gives abundant rain and grain to the people.)

Gospel Lesson Luke 9:10-17 J. Brooker
(Everyone ate and had enough.)



Solo "For the Healing of the Nations" F.Kaan,H.Purcell
P. Tibbles-Cookson, Mezzo Soprano

Sermon "Our Actions Are **Our Future**" Rev. Cooper

Hymn (356) "Seek Ye First" vs. 1, 2, 3

- 1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and God's righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.
- 2 Ask and it shall be given unto you;
seek and you shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, hallelujah.
- 3 We do not live by bread alone,
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, hallelujah.

Responding to God

Minute for Mission I. Kagawa
The Lord's Prayer (unison) Rev. Cooper

**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 (896) "Blest Are They, the Poor" vs. 1,2,4

- 1 Blest are they, the poor in spirit,
theirs is the kingdom of God.
Blest are they, full of sorrow,
they shall be consoled.
**Rejoice and be glad!
Blessed are you, holy are you!
Rejoice and be glad!
Yours is the kingdom of God.**
- 2 Blest are they, the lowly ones,
they shall inherit the earth.
Blest are they who hunger and thirst,
they shall have their fill. **R**
- 4 Blest are they who seek peace;
they are the children of God.
Blest are they who suffer in faith,
the glory of God is theirs. **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 forever more. (Psalm 121:5-8)
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of God's hand.
(Irish Blessing)

Choral Blessing (605) “Jesus, Teacher Brave
& Bold” vs. 1,2

- 1 Jesus, teacher, brave and bold,
let us serve you, young and old.
Let us faith-filled workers be,
all around, your wisdom see.
Let us play and dance and sing,
our goodness find in everything.
- 2 Jesus, friend, so strong and true,
show us good, brave work to do.
Show us those who need a friend,
all things broken help us mend.
Free our minds and stretch our care,
teach us to serve you everywhere.

Postlude "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"
Beethoven, arr. Joel Raney

Thank you for joining our Zoom audio and video worship service today. We hope you found the worship service a meaningful experience.

Many thanks to B. Kai, J. Brooker and R. Kunihiro for coordinating our Zoom audio and video service. Thanks to J. Brooker for reading our scripture and I. Kagawa for reading the Minute for Mission. Thanks to K. Quinton, L. Lazar, and P. Tibbles Cookson for inspiring us with their music.

Today, Sunday, October 24th, our theme will be World Food Day. We invite you to give a special

offering to support the Mission and Service Fund.

Sunday, October 31st, will be our **Annual Memorial Sunday** to remember loved ones who have died since Nov. 2020. 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. 24th. You will be invited to light a candle in your home in memory of your loved one when their name is read.

Newsletter - Do you have something you would like to contribute to the BUC Fall & Advent Newsletter? We are looking for tidbits that have encouraged or inspired you over these last several months...maybe a poem, a joke, an inspirational saying, pictures from your garden or a worship service picture. Perhaps, you would like to write an article. Please send your contributions to office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca by October 31st. Thank you.

Sunday, November 7th Remembrance Sunday. Our theme will be Canada’s Nursing Sisters. J. Liddle will play the Last Post and a special anthem.

Prayers and Concerns: Please remember in your prayers all those in need of hope, comfort and healing.

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 Rev. Cooper or R. Shikaze with your prayer request.

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God bless you, stay well, stay safe and we hope you tune in next week...same day, same time, and same Zoom phone number or video link.



Have a blessed day!!