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Worship Service

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Order of Worship

Sunday, September 4th, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

I just wish people would realize that anything's possible if you try; dreams are made possible if you try. – **Terry Fox**

I want to try the impossible to show that it can be done. – **Terry Fox**

I do have a belief in God, and no matter what happens to me, things are gonna be OK. It doesn't matter whether the tumours have spread or not, because either way, I'm gonna turn out a winner.

– **Terry Fox**

Page 2 Praising God

Prelude

“Be Still My Soul”

Sibelius

arr. Cindy Berry



Words of Welcome

Acknowledging the Territory

Call to Worship

As we gather this morning in our own homes, let us rejoice as we worship together.

Let us celebrate the gifts we have as sisters and brothers in Christ.

Together may we plant new seeds of faith in our hearts and in our minds.

Let us give thanks for the unexpected ways God works in our lives.

May we worship and praise God this day.

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Opening Prayer (together)

O Gardener God, we open ourselves to Your cultivation and care this day. We approach You with our lives that are a mixture of wheat and weeds, and we are grateful for Your patience with us. Help us to be patient with ourselves and each other, to be a people prepared to tend and nurture life within and around us. In the Spirit of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Hymn (391) "God, Reveal Your Presence" vs.1,2,3

1 God, reveal your presence: as we now adore you and with awe appear before you.

Here in this your temple: all within keep silence, gather now with deepest reverence.

You alone God we own,
you, our God and Saviour:
praise your name for ever.

2 God, reveal your presence:
hear the harps resounding;
see the crowds the throne surrounding.
'Holy, holy, holy!' Hear the hymn ascending,
angels, saints, their voices blending.
Bow your ear to us here;
hearken, O Lord Jesus,
to our humble praises.

3 O great Fount of blessing, purify my spirit,
trusting only in your merit;
like the holy angels gathered all before you,
may I ceaselessly adore you.
Let your will ever still

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rule your church terrestrial,
as the hosts celestial.

Prayer for Grace (together)

Awesome God, some things are clearly right and wrong, but much of life is an uncertain mix. Like the wheat and the weeds in the early stages of growth, it is hard to distinguish one from the other. Compassionate God, make us slow to judge ourselves and others. Give us the grace to seek common good and to be a blessing to all people. Amen.

Sung Assurance (577) "I've Got Peace Like a River"

1 I've got peace like a river, vs.1
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river,
I've got peace like a river in-a my soul.

Listening for God's Word

Gospel Lesson Matthew 13:24-30; 34-38

J. Cermak

(The parable of the weeds.)



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Solo "Your Hand, O God, Has Guided"
E. Plumptre/B. Harwood
P. Tibbles-Cookson, Mezzo Soprano

Sermon "Unexpected" Rev. Cooper

Hymn (382) "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" vs.1 - 4

- 1 Breathe on me, breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.
- 2 Breathe on me, breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with thine,
to do and to endure.
- 3 Breathe on me, breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.
- 4 Breathe on me, breath of God:
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

Responding to God

Prayers of the People Rev. Cooper

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;**

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**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 (260) "God Who Gives to Life its Goodness"
(vs. 1, 2)

- 1 God who gives to life its goodness,
God creator of all joy,
God who gives to us our freedom,
God who blesses tool and toy:
teach us now to laugh and praise you,
deep within your praises sing,
till the whole creation dances
for the goodness of its King.
- 2 God who fills the earth with beauty,
God who binds each friend to friend,
God who names us co-creators
God who wills that chaos end:
grant us now creative spirits,
minds responsive to your mind,
hearts and wills your rule extending
all our acts by Love refined.

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

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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 (424) "May the God of Hope"

- 1 May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
**Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**
- 2 May the God of healing free the earth from fear,
freeing us for peace, both treasured and pursued.
May the God of love keep our commitment clear
to a world restored, to human life renewed. **R**

Postlude "What Wondrous Love"

American Folk Hymn arr. Vicki Collinsworth

Thank you for joining our zoom audio and video worship service today. We hope that you found our service meaningful. May your faith fill you with love, joy and peace.

Our deepest sympathies to the Kunihiro family with the passing of Amy Kunihiro on August 28th. Amy will be dearly missed, by all who knew and loved her. A Zoom memorial service will be held on Wednesday, September 7th at 3:00 p.m.

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Many thanks to our tech team for running our Zoom audio and video service. Thanks to those participating in the service, our scripture reader and our music team.

Today, Sunday, September 4th, Welcome back service after the August break.

Sundays, September 11th and 18th, our theme is Creation Time.

On Sunday, September 25th, we will celebrate our **8th Anniversary** as Bayview United Church. This will be an in-person service as well as Zoom 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.

Sunday, October 2nd, is World Wide Communion Sunday. We invite you, when you join the service, to have a piece of bread or cracker and a beverage, and together we will share the Lord's Supper.

During the month of September you might consider giving a donation to support the **Terry Fox Run** for cancer. The run will be held this year on Sunday, September 18th. If you would like to donate, please watch for details in the next few weeks. Thank you.

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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Have a Blessed Labour Day weekend!