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Worship Service

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Music Director: K. Quinton

Minister: Rev. C. Cooper

Guest Minister: Rev. N. Weaver

Order of Worship

Sunday, October 23rd, 2022 11:00 a.m.

Praising God

Prelude "Greensleeves on a Ground"
arr. Arnold and Carl Dolmetsch
L. Fusé, treble (alto) recorder

Welcome and Announcements C. MacLean

Acknowledging the Territory C. MacLean

Call to Worship

October is a precious month – a gift:
oak leaves - copper

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chrysanthemums – bronze
grain heads - gold
rain glistened concrete – silver and platinum
porch lights and jack'o lanterns – topaz and amber
giant Russian sunflower seeds - onyx and jet
New England asters - sapphires and amethysts
fresh fallen chestnuts - jaspers and emeralds
late, lingering apples - bloodstones and garnets
Christ's riches.

Opening Prayer (together)

**May we, who hunger and thirst
for the beauty of your presence,
recognize it in the world around us.**

**May our pace be leisurely, our senses alert,
may our hearts be full, our spirits be open.**

October is a precious month.

Thank You, God.

Hymn (221) "Sing Praise to God, Who Has Shaped"
(tune at 220)

- 1 Sing praise to God, who has shaped
and sustains all creation!
Sing praise, my soul, in profound and
complete adoration!
Gladsome rejoice-organ and trumpet
and voice-
joining God's great congregation.
- 2 Praise God, our guardian, who lovingly
offers correction,
who, as on eagle's wings, saves us
from sinful dejection.

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Have you observed, how we are
always preserved
by God's parental affection?

- 3 Sing praise to God, with sincere thanks
for all your successes.
Merciful God ever loves to
encourage and bless us.
Only conceive what godly strength can achieve:
strength that would touch and caress us.
- 4 Sing praise, my soul, the great name of
your high God commending.
All that have life and breath join you,
their notes sweetly blending.
God is your light! Soul, ever keep
this in sight:
amen, amen never ending.

A Time with the Young People

Prayer

Hymn (639) "One More Step Along the World I Go"
vs. 1, 5

- 1 One more step along the world I go.
One more step along the world I go.
From the old things to the new
keep me traveling along with you.
And it's from the old I travel to the new.
Keep me traveling along with you.
- 5 You are older than the world can be.

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You are younger than the life in me.
Ever old and ever new,
keep me traveling along with you.
And it's from the old I travel to the new.
Keep me traveling along with you.

(Young people go to classes.)

Prayer for Grace (together)

October is a forgiving month.

**Forgive us when in place of plenty we see
scarcity.**

**Forgive us when we set a place at the table for
some**

but not for others.

**Forgive us when we turn 'more than enough'
into 'not enough'.**

**Forgive us when we forget that your love
has room for all.**

**October is a forgiving month,
may we be forgiven and forgiving. Amen.**

Assurance of Grace

Hear and receive this good news to all who long to
see and encounter Christ.

Today, salvation comes to this house.

Know that we are forgiven and live in peace with one
another and with the earth. **Amen.**

Listening for God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Joel 2.21—24, 27-29, 32

(God promises renewal) L. Clubine-Ito

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Epistle 2 Timothy 4.9—12 L. Clubine-Ito
(Under house arrest, Paul writes to Timothy)

Gospel Luke 18.9-14 L. Clubine-Ito
(Jesus tells a pointed story)

Solo "For the Beauty of the Earth"
arr. Garrett Breeze
P. Tibbles Cookson, Mezzo Soprano

Sermon

Hymn (267) "Like a Mighty River Flowing"
vs. 1, 2 & 4

- 1 Like a mighty river flowing,
like a flower in beauty growing,
far beyond all human knowing
is the perfect peace of God.
- 2 Like the hills serene and even,
like the coursing clouds of heaven,
like the heart that's been forgiven
is the perfect peace of God.
- 4 Like the morning sun ascended,
like the Scents of evening blended,
like a friendship never ended
is the perfect peace of God.

Responding to God

Prayers of the People

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**October is a generous month – an invitation:
to pause and to rest in the deep, dark places,
to know and to name our longings and leanings,
to offer up our praise, our prayer, our
Thanksgiving,
to dwell secure.
October is a generous month,
may we be a generous people.
This we pray in the name of the one who gave and
gives his followers a prayer**

**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 (227) "For the Fruit of All Creation"

- 1 For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God.
For the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
For the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping,
thanks be to God.

2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done.
In the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

3 For the harvests of the Spirit,
Thanks be to God.
For the good we all inherit,
Thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us,
For the truths that still confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us,
Thanks be to God.

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 (424) "May the God of Hope" vs. 1

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.**

Postlude "Like a River Glorious"
James Mountain
arr. Bob Walters

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Thank you for joining our in-person and 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.

Many thanks to those participating in our in-person and Zoom audio/video service.

Special thanks to Rev. Weaver for leading the service today. Many thanks to D. Royer and W. Hong for providing the AV for the in-person service and to B. Kai and R. Bloor for hosting on Zoom. Thanks to L. Clubine-Ito for reading our scripture. Thanks to K. Quinton, L. Lazar, P. Tibbles Cookson and L. Fusé for their inspiring music.

Today, Sunday, October 23rd, Worship Service. This will be an in-person service as well as Zoom service. We will have a guest minister this Sunday, the Rev. N. Weaver. There will **not** be lunch provided today.

Sunday, October 30th, will be our **Annual Memorial Service** to remember loved ones who have died since Nov. 2021. If you have had a loved one or friend

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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.

Sunday, November 6th, Remembrance Sunday.
J. Liddle will play the Last Post and a special anthem.

Newsletter - Do you have something you would like to contribute to the BUC Fall 2022 Newsletter? We are looking for pictures or stories that have encouraged or inspired you over these last several months...maybe a poem, a joke, inspirational saying, your garden, a worship service picture. Perhaps, you would like to write an article. Please send your contribution to office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca by October 30th.

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

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Have a Blessed Day!