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Worship Service

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Christian Family Sunday Mother's Day Service

Sunday, May 14th, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Moment of Silent Reflection:

"It's not what you do for your children but what you have taught them to do for themselves that will make them successful human beings." —**Ann Landers**

"Kids don't stay with you if you do it right. It's the one job where, the better you are, the more surely you won't be needed in the long run." —**Barbara**

Kingsolver

"Mothers hold their children's hands for a short while, but their hearts forever." — **Unknown**

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Praising God

Prelude "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"
Will L. Thompson, arr. Joel Raney



Welcome and Announcements

Acknowledging the Territory

Call to Worship

Today we celebrate the gift of mothers and grandmothers and all those who nurture us in a spirit of love and care.

May Mother Spirit tend and protect our lives.

May Mother Church feed and nurture our soul.

May Mother God invite us into a relationship with each other as God's children.

Let us clap our hands and shout, "Amen" as we praise God who unites us as family.

Together let us rejoice and celebrate the gift of mothers as we worship.

Opening Prayer (together)

Nurturing God, today we are especially grateful for mothers and all who have been like a mother to us. Thank You for the power of love and the many ways love is expressed. We also value the warmth and support of those who have mothered us: teachers and neighbours, grandparents and siblings, friends and companions. We gather in worship to express our gratitude and to drink deeply of Your Holy Love. Amen.

Hymn (409) "Morning Has Broken" vs.1,2,3

- 1 Morning has broken like the first morning,
blackbird has spoken like the first bird.
Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!
- 2 Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.
- 3 Ours is the sunlight! Ours is the morning
born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning,
God's recreation of the new day!

Prayer for Family (unison)

In You, O God, every family on earth receives its name. Illumine the homes of this earth with the light of Your love, granting courage to those who are hurt or lonely, endurance to those who care for sick family members, and wisdom to those in fearful times of change. We thank You for gifts of love we have

received from a mother, father, spouse, child, or companion. As we have been loved by You and by others, so may we love. Amen.

(by Ruth Duck, 1980 VU 557)

Listening for God's Word

Epistle Reading Acts 16:9-10;12-15 C. MacLean
(The conversion of Lydia.)

Gospel Lesson John 17: 6-19 C. MacLean
(May my joy be made complete in them.)

Choir Anthem "Open My Eyes That I May See"
Clara H. Scott - arr. Hal Hopson
Recorded November 2022

Sermon "Moved by Love" Rev. Cooper



Hymn (365) "Jesus Loves Me" vs. 1,2,3

- 1 Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
in his love we shall be strong.
**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

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- 2 Jesus loves me, this I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, "Let them come to me." R
- 3 Jesus loves me still today,
walking with me on my way,
wanting as a friend to give
light and love to all who live. R

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 (236) "Now Thank We All Our God" vs. 1,2,3

- 1 Now thank we all our God, with heart,
and hands, and voices,
who wondrous things has done,
in whom this world rejoices;
who from our mother's arms
has blessed us on our way

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- with countless gifts of love,
and still is ours today.
- 2 O may this bounteous God
through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts
and blessed peace to cheer us,
and keep us strong in grace,
and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ill
in this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God
for all that has been given,
the Son, and Spirit blest
who dwell in highest heaven,
the one eternal God,
whom heaven and earth adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Commissioning and Benediction

May the God of new beginnings light your path.
May the song of the Spirit, play in your heart.
May Jesus, our promise of new life, take you by the
hand and lead you in the dance of life.
And until we meet again,
May God hold us in the palm of God's hand.
(Irish Blessing)

- Choral Amen (586) "We Shall Go Out" vs. 1**
**We shall go out with hope of resurrection;
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on;
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly;
tales of a love that will not let us go.**

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**We'll sing our songs of wrongs
that can be righted;
we'll dream our dreams of hurts
that can be healed;
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of new life in Christ.**

Postlude "The Lord's Prayer" Albert Hay Malotte
transcribed Carl Deis

Thank you for joining our Zoom audio/video worship service. May your hearts be touched with a spirit of peace and calm knowing God is always with you.

Many thanks to J. Brooker and B. Kai for coordinating our Zoom audio and video service. Thanks to C. MacLean for reading our scripture lessons. Thanks to K. Quinton and L. Lazar for inspiring us with their music.

Today, Sunday, May 14th, 11:00 a.m. – Mother's Day Service, **on Zoom.**

Sunday, May 21st, 11:00 a.m. – 7th Sunday of Easter, **on Zoom.**

Sunday, May 28th, 11:00 a.m. – Pentecost Sunday, **on Zoom.**

Sunday, June 4th, 11:00 a.m. – worship service to celebrate Promotion Sunday and Confirmation. **Our service will be in person & on Zoom audio/video.** Following the service there will be a pizza lunch in Fellowship Hall.

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Sunday, June 11th, 11:00 a.m. – 2nd Sunday of Pentecost and celebration of **Holy Communion on Zoom.** Special slide presentation to celebrate BUC through photos and song.

Sunday, June 18th, 11:00 a.m. - Our last worship service as Bayview United Church **in person and on Zoom** followed by a special luncheon in Fellowship Hall.

Newsletter - Do you have something you would like to contribute to our final BUC newsletter? We are looking for pictures, thoughts, memories or stories that have touched or inspired you over the last nine years that we were BUC. Please send your contribution to office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca by **May 15th.**

Children's Summer Camp: BUC is happy to provide \$200.00 (each) towards the cost of a camp experience for young people who wish to attend Sparrow Lake Camp or any other United Church or Christian camp this summer. If interested, please speak to K. Shikaze by June 4th.

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.

You can support Bayview United Church using **e-transfer** from your bank. Decide the amount you wish to donate, follow your bank's instructions & email to: office@bayviewunitedchurch.ca. In the comments section, indicate where you would like your donation to go, for example Local, Mission and Service, Easter, Memorial, etc. If you do not use e-transfer you can always mail your cheque to the church. Thank you for your support of BUC.

Bayview/Cummer Exploration Teams' Activities

The activities of the Exploration Teams during the last two weeks involved the following:

- Exploration Team continues to meet on a bi-weekly basis.
- Framework for an amalgamation submitted to the Communities of Faith Commission for final comments.
- Members of the Commission met with representatives from the Cummer congregation.
- Chairs of Bayview and Cummer governing bodies continue their discussions concerning committee membership.
- Joint M&P teams meeting with the Cummer staff.
- Virtual town hall held for the Cummer congregation.
- The property development arm of The United Church has scheduled a tour of the Bayview property.
- Ongoing discussions with Toronto United Church Council, which has been engaged to manage the day-to-day operation of the Bayview building post amalgamation
- Contractor engaged to move the stained-glass dome from Bayview to Cummer
- Quotes received for the relocation of items from Bayview to Cummer.
- Decorte & Co. Piano Services has been asked to arrange for the relocation of the Bayview pianos to Cummer
- Finance representatives met to exchange information and

discuss transition, budgets, and cash flow.

- Items to be sent to United Church archives being prepared by Bayview.
- Report containing the findings and recommendations to the Congregations being reviewed by the Exploration Team.

The Exploration Teams timeline:

- May 17 – Meeting with the Communities of Faith Commission
- Late May - Written report and recommendations of the Exploration Teams distributed to the Congregations
- June 11 – The two Congregations meet separately and vote on the amalgamation
- June 18 – Last services of Bayview and Cummer
- June 21 – Communities of Faith Commission final approvals
- June 25 – First worship service of the new congregation
- July 9 – Congregational meeting to elect a chair and members of the governing body

Concert and Hymn Sing at Cummer: Thursday, May 18, 7:30 pm. An evening of instrumental music with Taylor and guest trumpeter P. Sandvidotti, along with some hymns for Ascension Day. In-person or online (use Sunday Worship link).



May you have a blessed day!