

# Sunday Praise & Worship Service

† Order of Service 

1 Timothy 1:12-20 (ESV) Christ Jesus Came to Save Sinners

<sup>12</sup> I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup> though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. <sup>[a]</sup> Amen.

<sup>18</sup> This charge I entrust to you, Timothy, my child, in accordance with the prophecies previously made about you, that by them you may wage the good warfare, <sup>19</sup> holding faith and a good conscience. By rejecting this, some have made shipwreck of their faith, <sup>20</sup> among whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have handed over to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme.

Footnotes: a. <sup>1</sup> [1 Timothy 1:17](#) Greek to the ages of ages----

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## Apostle Paul, Once Saul of Tarsus

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The Apostle Paul, who started as one of Christianity's most zealous enemies, was hand-picked by [Jesus Christ](#) to become the gospel's most ardent messenger. Paul traveled tirelessly through the ancient world, taking the message of [salvation](#) to the Gentiles. Paul towers as one of the all-time giants of Christianity.

When Saul of Tarsus, who was later renamed Paul, saw the [resurrected](#) Jesus Christ on the Damascus Road, [Saul converted to Christianity](#). He made three long missionary journeys throughout the [Roman Empire](#), planting churches, preaching the gospel, and giving strength and encouragement to [early Christians](#). Of the 27 books in the [New Testament](#), Paul is credited as the author of 13 of them. While he was proud of his Jewish heritage, Paul saw that the gospel was for the Gentiles as well. Paul was martyred for his faith in Christ by the Romans, about 64 or 65 A.D.

<http://christianity.about.com/od/newtestamentpeople/a/Apostle-Paul.htm>

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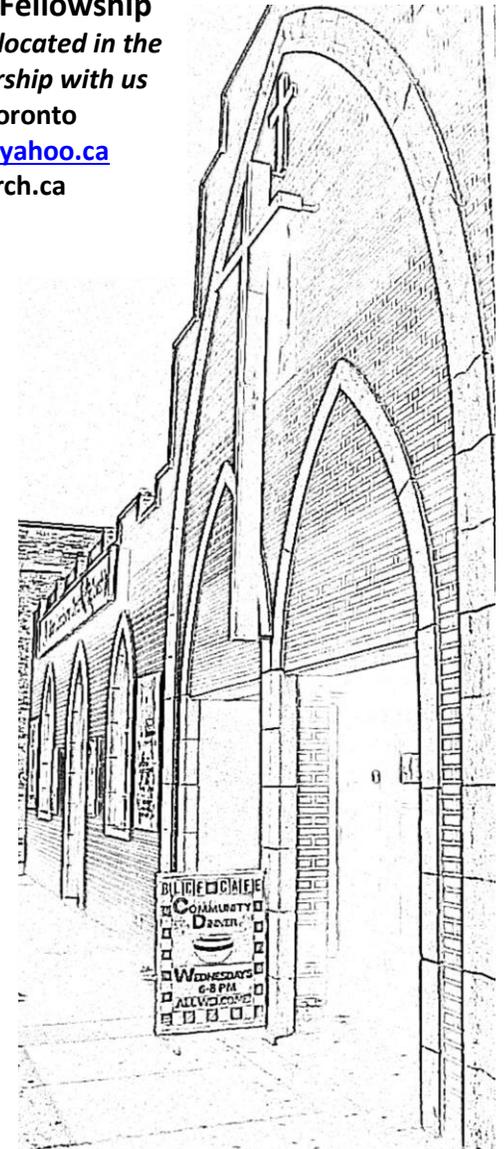
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"For I know the plans I have for you", declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you" ...

Jer. 29:11-14a NIV

- ❖ Sunday ~ 11:00 AM Praise and Worship Service
- ❖ Wednesday ~ No Prayer and Bible Study - Summer Break
- ❖ Wednesday ~ 6:00-8:00 PM: BLCF Café Community Dinner
- ❖ Online Sermons: [bloorlansdownechristianfellowship.wordpress.com](http://bloorlansdownechristianfellowship.wordpress.com)



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Announcements & Call to Worship: Responsive Reading #662 (Freedom from Sin – Romans 5 and 6); Prayer

Opening Hymn #553: *Morning Has Broken*

Tithing and Prayer Requests: Hymn #572: *Praise God*; Prayers

Today's Scriptures: Luke 19:1-10, Acts 22:6-21, 1Timothy 1:12-20

Message by Steve Mickelson:

'Zacchaeus and Saul – A Tale of Two Callings'

Closing Hymn #484: *Pass it On*

Benediction – (2 Peter 1:2-3):

May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence

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### Luke 19:1-10 (ESV) Jesus and Zacchaeus

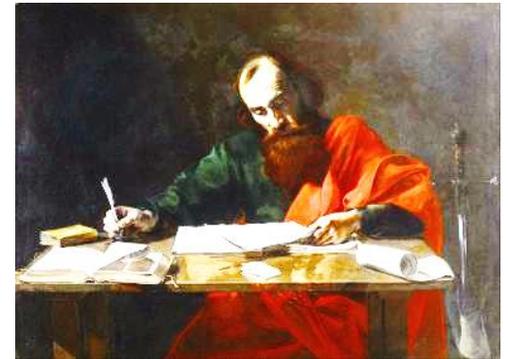
19 He entered Jericho and was passing through. <sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. <sup>3</sup> And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. <sup>4</sup> So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. <sup>5</sup> And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." <sup>6</sup> So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. <sup>7</sup> And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." <sup>8</sup> And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." <sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. <sup>10</sup> For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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### Ephesians 4:1-5

- As a **prisoner for the Lord**, then, I urge you to **live a life worthy of the calling you have received**. <sup>2</sup> Be **completely humble and gentle**; be **patient**, bearing with one another in love. <sup>3</sup> Make **every effort** to keep the **unity of the Spirit** through the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup> There is **one body and one Spirit-- just as you were called-- 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all**.



### Acts 22:6-21 (ESV) Paul's Testimony

<sup>6</sup> "As I was on my way and drew near to Damascus, about noon a great light from heaven suddenly shone around me. <sup>7</sup> And I fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to me, 'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?' <sup>8</sup> And I answered, 'Who are you, Lord?' And he said to me, 'I am Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting.' <sup>9</sup> Now those who were with me saw the light but did not understand <sup>[a]</sup> the voice of the one who was speaking to me. <sup>10</sup> And I said, 'What shall I do, Lord?' And the Lord said to me, 'Rise, and go into Damascus, and there you will be told all that is appointed for you to do.' <sup>11</sup> And since I could not see because of the brightness of that light, I was led by the hand by those who were with me, and came into Damascus.

<sup>12</sup> "And one Ananias, a devout man according to the law, well spoken of by all the Jews who lived there, <sup>13</sup> came to me, and standing by me said to me, 'Brother Saul, receive your sight.' And at that very hour I received my sight and saw him. <sup>14</sup> And he said, 'The God of our fathers appointed you to know his will, to see the Righteous One and to hear a voice from his mouth; <sup>15</sup> for you will be a witness for him to everyone of what you have seen and heard. <sup>16</sup> And now why do you wait? Rise and be baptized and wash away your sins, calling on his name.'

<sup>17</sup> "When I had returned to Jerusalem and was praying in the temple, I fell into a trance <sup>18</sup> and saw him saying to me, 'Make haste and get out of Jerusalem quickly, because they will not accept your testimony about me.' <sup>19</sup> And I said, 'Lord, they themselves know that in one synagogue after another I imprisoned and beat those who believed in you. <sup>20</sup> And when the blood of Stephen your witness was being shed, I myself was standing by and approving and watching over the garments of those who killed him.' <sup>21</sup> And he said to me, 'Go, for I will send you far away to the Gentiles.'"

Footnotes: a. [Acts 22:9](#) Or hear with understanding