MARCH 13, 2011

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Yorkminster Park BAPTIST CHURCH

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MORNING WORSHIP – MARCH 13, 2011

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Prelude Prelude and Fugue in C, BWV 547

Processional Hymn *SHB 1 – A mighty fortress is our God (Ein feste Burg)

Call to Worship

Introit – Let thy merciful ears, O Lord

Let thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open unto the prayers of thy humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions, make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Invocation and The Lord's 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. (sung Amen)

Responsive Psalm 32 (OT p.559)

Gloria Patri Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. **Hymn - Thy word is a lamp unto my feet** (see page 3)

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Prayer with the Children The Book of Songs Julie The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Announcements Neil Hetherington Window on the World – COTH Food Bank Neil Hetherington Scripture – Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 (OT p. 2-3) Matthew 4:1-11 (NT p.3) The Rev. Cheryle Hanna **Pastoral Prayer Choral Response -** Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Amen G. Thalben Ball Offering From everyone to whom much has been given, much will be required; and from the one to whom much has been entrusted, even more will be demanded. (Luke 12:48) Felix Mendelssohn Anthem – Lord, we trust in Thy great mercy Lord, we trust in Thy great goodness, which redeems us wondrously; singing all our songs of gladness, we in joy give thanks to Thee. Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano **Doxology** Hymn 766 Hymn 561 – Who would true valour see (Monks Gate) Sermon – IT IS WRITTEN The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Recessional Hymn 247 – God hath spoken (Abbot's Leigh 17) The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Benediction **Choral Amen** (Smith of Durham) Wer nur den lieben Johann Sebastian Bach Postlude

The Memorial Bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Thomas Weelkes

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Soloists: Lois Bishop, soprano; Dawn King, soprano; Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano; Martin Houtman, tenor; Stephen King, baritone.

*SHB – Supplementary Hymn Book "Sing to God's Glory"

Today's Greeters are: Kim Aikenhead, Valerie Gerber, and Al Sablatnig

MEMORIAL FLOWERS The flowers in the Sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in fond memory of a good friend TOM CLIFFORD By Joan

ART GALLERY Paul Roorda "Slate Requiem" until March 27

Using gold leaf, ashes and blood on slate tiles from the leaking roof of an historic church, Paul Roorda creates art that echoes the enduring reverence of sacred icons while examining the erosion of traditional beliefs.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet Refrain: Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light soul. un - to my When I feel a fraid, think I've lost my way, still you're there right be - sideme And to Refrain no-thing will I fear as ___ long as you are near Please be near me to the end. 2. I will not forget your love for me, And yet my heart is forever wandering.

And yet my heart is forever wandering. Jesus, be my guide and hold me to your side; I will love you to the end.

Please note that there will be a memorial service for Mary Williams on Wednesday, March 16 at 2pm in the Chapel.

EVENING SERVICE The service of worship begins with the music of the organ. Preludes Audi, benigne Conditor Flor Peeters Andante tranquillo Peter Warlock, arr. N. Rawsthorne **Processional Hymn 8 – For the beauty of the earth** (Dix 90) The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Call to Worship Pater Brugman Introit – Come unto me, ye weary "Come unto me, ye weary, and I will give you rest." O blessed voice of Jesus, which comes to hearts opprest: It tells of benediction, of pardon, grace and peace, Of joy that hath no ending, of love which cannot cease. "Come unto me, ye fainting, and I will give you life." O cheering voice of Jesus, which comes to end our strife: The foe is stern and eager, the fight is fierce and long; But thou has made us mighty, and stronger than the strong. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy Invocation and will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And Lord's Prayer 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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. (sung Amen) The Rev. Cheryle Hanna Psalm 22:23-31 (OT p.552-3) Scripture Mark 8:31-38 (NT p.44-5) Felix Mendelssohn Solo – Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets Lois Bishop, soprano The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes **Pastoral Prayer Choral Response** William Maddox O keep my soul and deliver me, for I have put my trust in Thee The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Announcements and Offering Henry Ley Anthem – Evening Hymn of Charles I Close thine eyes and sleep secure, thy soul is safe, thy body sure. He that guards thee, He that keeps, never slumbers, never sleeps. A quiet conscience in the breast hast only peace, hast only rest. The music and the mirth of Kings are out of tune unless she sings, Then close thine eyes and sleep secure, thy soul is safe, thy body sure. He that guards thee, He that keeps, never slumbers, never sleeps. Amen. **Prayer of Dedication** Hymn 599 – O for a closer walk, omit vs. 2 and 3) (Martyrdom 292) The Rev. Cheryle Hanna Sermon – COME, DENY AND FOLLOW Hymn 694– Glory to Thee my God this night (Tallis' Canon) **Benediction Choral Amen** (de Séverac in A minor) **Choir Recessional** Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon (Mode III.4, chant C.M. Palmer) Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping; that awake we may watch with Thee, and asleep we may rest in peace. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Gloria.

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COMMUNICATIONS

A warm welcome to Yorkminster Park! Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and complete one of the Visitor's cards in the pews. The 'Welcome' packages in the pews are available for you to take to find out more about the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church community. City Parking at Alvin Ave. (one street east of Yonge & St. Clair) provides free parking Sunday morning until 12:45 p.m. Have your ticket stamped in the Narthex.

The morning worship services are webcast on the church website: **www.yorkminsterpark.com** and are also recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the desk in the Narthex. Please find the YPBC Monthly and Weekly Prayer Calendars on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables. For more information about the Church or to read the Minister's blog, please visit the website.

Large-print Bibles are available at the Narthex information table.

If you wish to receive regular church email communication, please email the church office and we will register your address

| | e Copies of recent congregational emails and Peter's blogs are available on the Centre Hall, Heath Street and Narthex tables |
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"Questions Christians Ask" is a soon to be released DVD featuring Yorkminster Park's longtime friend, the Rev. Dr. A. Leonard Griffith. For more information, please refer to the poster on the events information board in the lower level. The DVD can be purchased for \$15. To order a copy of the DVD, please call Denise in the church office at ext. 221, or email her at office@yorkminsterpark.com

Health and Wellness Nutritional Spring Tune Up Wednesdays in March at 7pm in the Youth Zone Leader: Ruth Hsueh, RD Weight Loss and Nutrition Counselling and Lecture Includes: self-monitoring, goal setting, planning and scheduling, barriers, disease prevention and celebration. Opportunity for one-on-one counselling will be provided.



Hearing assistance available.

Please speak with our volunteer at the Narthex Information table.

SPECIAL DELIVERY...

Mr. Michael and the Rev. Cheryle Hanna welcome the birth of their grandson William Kato Hanna II born on Tuesday, February 15 in Detroit, Michigan to William Kato Hanna and Jasmine Houston. Born 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Discipleship Spring Session

The Yorkminster Park family is concerned that each person has a foundational understanding of what it means to be a follower of Christ.

Although the class is open to everyone, its primary focus is to prepare participants for Baptism and church membership. With this foundation each new believer and prospective member will be set on the right path and have a basis for future growth.

The class meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 until 10:30 am and the entire ministerial team participates, providing an opportunity for us to spend time with each of you.

| Today | Christian Faith | Peter Holmes |
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| March 20 | "Good Disciplines" | Cheryle Hanna |
| March 27 | "Dunk and Feed" | Carolyn King |
| April 3 | "Don't Bury Your Gifts" | Sam Lee |
| April 10 | "Baptist, YP and You" | Peter Holmes |
| April 17 | "The Word" | Cheryle Hanna |

Blessings of the Cross: A Lenten Bible Study **Based on the Revised Common Lectionary**

Robert Martin Walker, Author

Weekly Gatherings

March 9 through April 16, 2011

The Blessings of Tests Genesis 2: 15-17, 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19

Matthew 4:1-11

As we begin the Lenten season together remember that Lent is a time of spiritual reflection and growth. The time we set aside to study the word of God is one of the many ways we have to respond to God's love for us, not out of obligation but out of a deep gratitude. On the cross of Calvary, God, in Jesus Christ, became our greatest blessing; securing our salvation and a place in the kingdom.

In this week's scripture we are reminded of blessings in disguise located throughout the ancient text. Beginning with Genesis we are asked to remember the hardships that were defining moments by looking again at the familiar failed test of obedience by Adam and Eve in the garden. As God's created we face identical 'tests' each day and the same 'death' that includes estrangement, vulnerability and fear. The Apostle Paul uses the plight of Adam and Eve to provide a contrast to grace available through belief in Jesus Christ. For "God's grace is more powerful that human sin." We are challenged to remember experiences of unconditional acceptance and believe that they were glimpses of God's grace in Christ. The writer of the gospel of Matthew brings us up-close and personal with the blessings of tests with the temptation of Jesus. Jesus, unlike the first humans was not surrounded with lush green gardens and fruit of every kind to eat; our Lord had had nothing to eat for forty days when the test was delivered. In this weakened physical state Jesus trusted God and passed the test.

Christ is our exemplar of ultimate trust in God's path and plan for our lives, "though the path is sometimes rocky, it is meaningful and purposeful."

If you are not in a Lenten Study Group, you may still walk and study along with us, by picking up a Student Book in the Narthex after the service. A donation of \$9.00 is suggested.

Please choose a group from the list posted in the Centre Hall and on the web site and register with Cheryle Hanna by email at channa@yorkminsterpark.com or by leaving a message at 416-922-1167, ext. 235.

SUNDAY

LENTEN CELL GROUPS WEDNESDAY

Andrew Alberti – Leader/Host **FULL** Yorkminster Park, 10:10 am

Sam Lee -Leader Sr. High Youth, 10:00 am Jr. High Youth, 11:20 am **YP Youth Zone**

MONDAY

Ellie Pattillo – Leader /Host **FULL** Yorkminster Park , Noon

Christine Knight –Host ****FULL**** John Speller - Leader **Yonge and St. Clair**, 7:30 pm

Jane Johnson – Leader/Host**FULL** St. Clair and Yonge, 10:30 am

Michael Wills – Leader/Host Bayview and Davisville, 7:00 pm

David Strachan Bongard – Host/Leader **Parliament and Carlton Sts.,** 6:00 pm

TUESDAY Jonanne Fenton – Leader/ Host **FULL** Mississauga, Dixie Rd. & Burnhampthorpe Rd. E. 10:00 am

Tom Robertson- Host****CANCELLED**** Kim Aikenhead - Leader **Mt. Pleasant & Lawrence,** 8:30 pm

Carolyn J. King – Host Leader NEEDED **Hwy. 7 and Warden, Unionville**, 7 pm

Carol Voaden –Host Kathy Condie - Leader **Avenue Road and Wilson Ave.** 7:30 pm Gavin and Kate Millan – Leader/Host SWS (College and Career Adults) Yonge and Eglinton, 7:00 pm

Ettie Dawkins – Host Andrew Alberti and Kelly Dixon Co-Leaders Leslie and Sheppard, 7:30 pm

Alana Walker Carpenter - Host Kevin Carpenter- Leader **Don Mills and Lawrence**, 8:15 pm

Rob and Straughn Inman – Host ****FULL**** Stuart Campbell – Leader **Oriole Parkway and Eglinton**, 7:30pm

Jane Johnson -Leader Claremont Home -Host **Mount Pleasant and Davisville,** 11:00 am

THURSDAY

Jerri Obright –Host Karen Chiu – Leader **Bayview and Eglinton**, 10:30 am

Esther Lovrics – Host Paula Willis - Leader **Mount Pleasant/ Eglinton Ave. East,** 7pm

George and Corine Lowrie - Host Scott Kindred-Barnes -Leader Aurora (Bayview Ave./Wellington), 7pm

Otha Sim – Leader/Host Lawrence and Don Mills 7pm

Tom and Kay Hayes –Co-Host Arthur and Lorraine Fritzke –Co-Host Arthur Fritzke and Joyce Wood –Co- Leader **Finch and Don Mills** 7:30 pm

FRIDAY

Kevin Carpenter - Leader/Host Scotia Plaza Food Court – Bay/King Sts (opposite Wendy's) Friday, 7:30 am

Still a few seats available... Wednesday, March 23, Lunch and Theatre at the Old Mill Inn and Spa. Please RSVP to Judy MacDonald at 416-225-8295.

Buffet lunch in the main dining room. A murder mystery matinee by Mysteriously Yours, called "Hal's Kitchen: What's Burning". Free parking, and close to a TTC subway stop. Cost is \$50.00 - Reserve now.

GEN X Y (those born in 60's & 70's)

are gathering at the manse (Holmes' home) for a pot-luck dinner on **Saturday, March 26 at 6 p.m**.

For information or to RSVP, call Kelly Hubley at 416-696-7331 by Wednesday, March 23 (Please indicate which dish you will bring).

The Churches on the Hill Lenten Service

will be held at Bishop Strachan School on **Tuesday, March 29, 2011 at 7:30pm** and Dr. Rachell Kessler will be the speaker. Rachel holds a PhD in medieval studies and is currently completing her final term at Wycliffe College in a MDiv program. The event will support the COTH Food Bank and focus on bread and hunger and include the students at Bishop Strachan School.

Men's Lunch Group – Thursday, March 31 at 12:30pm at the Fox and Fiddle.

RSVP to Denise Byard in the Church Office at 416-922-1167 x221 or office@yorkminsterpark.com

2011 Lenten Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces

It is set for April 4 and 5, staying overnight at the Buffalo Amherst Marriott Hotel. Visit the magnificent sacred spaces of Buffalo, New York with our pilgrimage guides Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Maestro William C. Maddox, & Curator Corey Keeble of the ROM. Peter, Bill and Corey returned from their preparatory visit overwhelmed with the beauty and wonder of the spaces, décor, windows and organs and the warmth of the hospitality.

We will leave the church by Mary Morton coach on Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. and aim to be back by 8:30 p.m. Tuesday. The price of \$229 per person double occupancy, \$269 single includes trip, accommodation, dinner, and buffet breakfast. We will all be together for lunch on Monday and Tuesday, but paying for it on our own. There is room on the bus for approximately 50 people and reservations can now be made with Euan Ferguson at <u>eujoferguson@sympatico.ca</u> or 416-363-9900. Please remember that passports are required for border crossings. Please make cheques payable to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, earmarked for Lenten Pilgrimage

YPBC Women's Ministries

CALLING ALL WOMEN! BAPTIST WOMEN'S RETREAT Elim Lodge, Peterborough - September 16-18, 2011 WOMEN OF THE PROMISE - SARAH, RACHEL and REBEKAH Theme Speaker : REV. CHERYLE HANNA REGISTER NOW! Registration and room deposit: \$80 Accommodation and Meals: Due August 1/11 Shared \$205, Private \$215 Sessions rate with meals \$70 (no accommodation) Registrar: Janet Kubica, 856 Sherbrooke St., Peterborough, ON K9J 2R4, 705-745-5930

COMING SOON.... CBWOQ's Recommended Books for the 2011-2013 Season: KNOW IT SHOW IT DO IT Watch for details.



Coming Soon – The Board of Mission is organizing a Habitat for Humanity build on **Saturday, May 14** from 8am to 4pm. Please consider this opportunity. Anyone 16 years old and over is welcome – No experience or tools required. Kindly indicate your interest by signing the sheet on the Centre Hall table. For further information, please contact Marlene McLuckie at 416-291-4542.

YP Centre Greeters This Week

(10am-2pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:30am-1:30pm Tuesday)

> Monday – Sandy Boone Tuesday – Anne Tawadros Wednesday – Chris Gay Thursday – Shirley Vardon Friday – Barbara Smith

'More Than Enough' Children's Mission Project

A joint project sponsored by the Board of Mission and Children's Ministries

We are delighted to report that \$1790 has come in already in support of Children's Camps in Lebanon. The Children's and Youth Department of our STEP partner, *the Lebanese Society for Education and Social Development (LSESD)* runs these camps to help children who come from very difficult situations. Though the camps are a new thing (started in 2007) there are many stories of changed lives and new hope.

Thank you to those who have given towards the project. We can make a difference in the lives of children and youth in Lebanon by supporting the camps. You may join with the Sunday School children and pick up an envelope in the Centre Hall marked "More Than Enough Children's Mission Project – Camps in Lebanon". Deposit your gift in the offering plate by **March 20th**

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, MARCH 13, TO SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2011

<u>Sunday</u>

- 9:15am Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room
- 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room
- 9:45am Senior High Class, Youth Zone
- 9:45am Discipleship 101, 3rd Floor Boardroom
- 10:00am Choristers, Room 103
- 10:10am Lenten Cell Group, Room 304
- 10:15am SPARK Children's Ministry, Friendship Room
- 10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 years old
- 11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes (Classes for toddlers to junior high after the Children's Prayer)
- 7:00pm The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Monday to Friday

Meals on Wheels

<u>Monday</u>

12:00pm Lenten Cell Group, 3rd Floor Boardroom

<u>Tuesday</u>

- 9:30am Prayers in the Chapel
- 10:00am 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex
- 10:00am Dorcas, Room 103
- 10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
- 12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym
- 7:00pm Board of Mission, Library
- 7:00pm Nicotine Anonymous, Room 304

<u>Wednesday</u>

10:00am to 12:30pm: Open Door, Narthex

- 12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital: John Paul Farahat
- 2:00pm Mary Williams Memorial Service, Chapel
- 6:00pm Out of the Cold, Heritage Room and Gym
- 7:00pm Health and Wellness Spring Tune- up, Youth Zone
- 7:00pm Board of Music, Red Boardroom
- 7:00pm Genesis Bible Study, Friendship Room

<u>Thursday</u>

10:00am – 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex
11:40am Youth Lunch Drop-in, Youth Zone and Gym
12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym
5:30pm Board of Trustees, 3rd Floor Boardroom
7:00pm Brentwood-Toronto (AA), Heritage Room
7:00pm Appreciative Inquiry Team Meeting, Library
7:30pm Senior Choir, Cameron Hall

<u>Friday</u>

7:00pm Recreational Volleyball, Gym

Next Sunday

| 9:15am | Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room |
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| 9:45am | Discipleship 101, 3rd Floor Boardroom |
| 10:00am | Choristers, Room 103 |
| 10:10am | Lenten Cell Group, Room 304 |
| 10:15am | SPARK Children's Ministry, Friendship Room |
| 11:00am | The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes |
| 12:00pm | Church Connectors Meeting |
| 7:00pm | The Rev. Carolyn King |

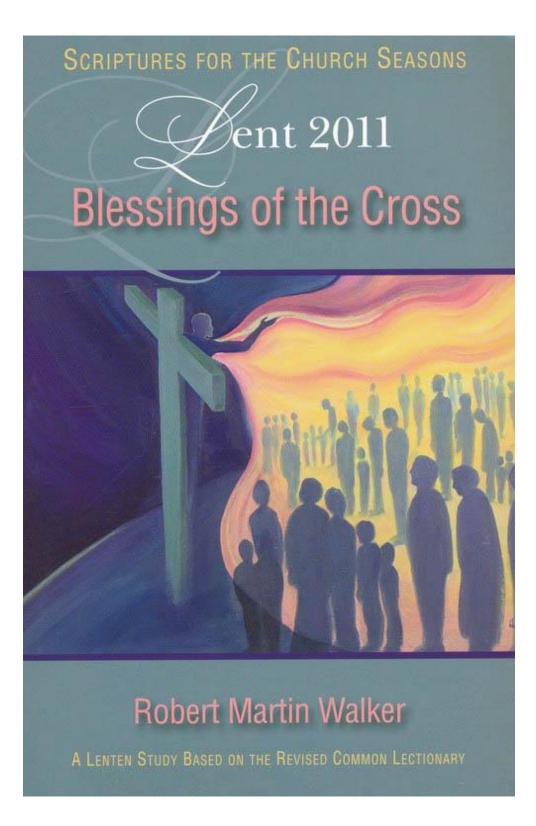
Readings for Next Sunday and for the first week of the Lenten Study These readings will be used in our worship next Sunday and in the weekly Lenten Bible Studies. If you have not yet joined a study, please contact the Rev. Cheryle Hanna. Genesis 12: 1 – 4a

Psalm 121 Romans 4: 1-5; 13-17 John 3:1-17

The Rev. Sam Lee will be away today speaking at a junior high retreat at Scarborough Chinese BC. Please pray for the Lord's blessing.

The Rev. Carolyn King will be away until Monday, March 14.

Heather Hetherington will be away until Thursday, March 18.



For more information, please see pages 6 and 7.