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The Rev. John Torrance Interim Minister of Pastoral Care

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Mrs. Heather Hetherington Parish Nurse

The Rev. Dr. William A. Sturgess Minister Emeritus, Pastoral Care

MORNING WORSHIP – JANUARY 8, 2012 EPIPHANY – THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The service of worship begins with the music of the preludes

Preludes Hostis Herodis impie

Flor Peeters

Intermezzo (Sonata #11)

Josef Rheinberger

Processional Hymn 91 – Brightest and best (Epiphany Hymn)

Call to Worship

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Introit - A sound of angels

Christopher Tye

A sound of angels from afar fills all the quiet air, And Ah! how full of gladness are the tidings that they bear. The shepherds run to Bethlehem town to see a wondrous sight, The Lord of Lords to earth come down is born for men tonight. Yea, Christ is born, our heav'nly king, salvation now is nigh, So all mankind with angels sing, Glory to God on high.

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. John R. Torrance

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)

Hymn 135 – Wise man seeking Jesus (omit verses 3, 4 & 5) (Linton 233)

Prayer with the Children

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

The Window Book

Renée

Announcements

Scripture - Genesis 1:1-5 (OT p.1)

The Rev. David Phillips

John 11:32-44 (NT p.109)

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Choral Response

C.M. Palmer

O let my prayer enter into thy presence; incline Thine ear unto my calling. Amen.

Offering

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? (Matthew 6:25)

Anthem – The earth is the Lord's

C.V. Stanford

The earth is the Lord's and all that therein is: The compass of the world, and they that dwell therein. For He hath founded it upon the seas and prepared it upon the floods. Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord or who shall rise up in His holy place? Even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart: and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour. He shall receive blessings from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of His salvation. This is the generation of them that seek Him, even of them that seek Thy face O Jacob, Lift up your heads O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of Glory shall come in. Who is the King of Glory? It is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Doxology Hymn 766

Sermon – WRITTEN IN GLASS: SUNSET SUNRISE

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Hymn *SHB 116 - When Christ's appearing (St. Thomas Becket)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Choral Preparation

Walter MacNutt

Glory to the Father, fount of life alone; who unto the Gentiles, made his glory known. Equal praise and glory, blessed son, to thee, and to thee, blest spirit, evermore shall be.

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Distribution of the Elements

Recessional Hymn 673 – Christ, whose glory fills the skies (Heathlands 373)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Smith of Durham)

Postlude Grand Choeur

Théodore Dubois

The Memorial Bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude

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'

Communion at Yorkminster Park is open to all who love Christ and seek to live in His ways.

To address the needs of some congregants whose allergies have prevented them from fully participating in the Sacrament of Communion, the communion bread served is now gluten-free.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of

CARL AND MYRTLE BULL

By Doug and Pat, Victor and Charlotte.

Today's Greeters are: Aida Reid, Al Sablatnig and Barbara Smith.

MATT. ii. 1-11.

BRIGHTEST and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

- 2 Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining; Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall; Angels adore Him, in slumber reclining, Maker and monarch, and Saviour of all.
- 3 Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion, Odours of Edom, and offerings divine; Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean, Myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?
- 4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation;
 Vainly with gifts would His favour secure;
 Richer by far is the heart's adoration;
 Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.
 - 5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; Star of the east, the horizon adorning, Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

WISE men seeking Jesus
Travelled from afar,
Guided on their journey
By a beauteous star.

- 2 But if we desire Him, He is close at hand; For our native country Is our Holy Land.
- 3 Prayerful souls may find Him By our quiet lakes, Meet Him on our hillsides When the morning breaks.
- 4 In our fertile cornfields
 While the sheaves are bound,
 In our busy markets,
 Jesus may be found.
- 5 Fishermen talk with Him By the great north sea, As the first disciples Did in Galilee.
- 6 Every peaceful village
 In our land might be
 Made by Jesus' presence
 Like sweet Bethany.
- 7 He is more than near us, If we love Him well; For He seeketh ever In our hearts to dwell.

- 1. When Christ's appearing was made known, King Herod trembled for his throne; but he who offers heavenly birth sought not the kingdoms of this earth
- 2. The eastern sages saw from far and followed on his guiding star; by light their way to light they trod, and by their gifts confessed their God.
- 3. And O what miracle divine, when water reddened into wine! He spake the word, and forth it flowed in streams that nature ne'er bestowed.
- 4. All glory, Jesus, be to thee for this thy glad epiphany: whom with the Father we adore and Holy Ghost for evermore.

CHRIST, whose glory fills the skies, Christ the true, the only light, Sun of righteousness, arise, Triumph o'er the shades of night: Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart appear.

- 2 Dark and cheerless is the morn,
 Unaccompanied by Thee;
 Joyless is the day's return,
 Till Thy mercy's beams I see;
 Till they inward light impart,
 Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
- Visit then this soul of mine;
 Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
 Fill me, radiancy divine;
 Scatter all my unbelief;
 More and more Thyself display,
 Shining to the perfect day.

WELCOME

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be with us, we welcome you to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church. We hope that you will feel comfortable and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily lives. 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 service is webcast live and archived on our website. All morning and evening worship services are recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the Audio Desk in the Narthex. A large print version of this bulletin is available in the Narthex. If you would like one, please ask an usher.

TODAY

11 am DOXA

A worship service for the young people of the church organized and led by our youth in Cameron Hall.

NEXT SUNDAY – January 15

11 am Peter Holmes preaching – Sacrament of Baptism

12:20 pm Tour of the Organ Chamber - Come with our Director of Music, William Maddox, on a brief tour of the largest undivided organ chamber in the City of Toronto! You'll be amazed by the construction, scale and layout of the 101-rank Casavant pipe organ which resides behind the openings at the front of the Chancel.

(following the Postlude)

ART GALLERY



Esther Lovrics and Joan Burdett Ness

Naturalist Painting
Jan 14 - Feb 15, 2012

Artist Reception Sun, Jan 15, 12:30-2:30pm
Yorkminster Park Gallery proudly brings the genre of botanical art to our space for the first time.
Esther Lovrics and Joan Burdett Ness, each a multiple award-winner, will exhibit their considerable skill and passion for naturalist painting.

4:30 pm Memorial service for The Rev. T. Kerr Spiers who served as Minister of the Congregation at Yorkminster Park from 1991 -1999. Kerr and Betty Spiers retired to Glasgow, Scotland where he died in October, 2011. A reception will follow the service at which time you will have the opportunity to express your appreciation and support to Kerr's widow, Betty and to his son, Graham.

Please note that there will be no 7 pm service on January 15.

EVENING SERVICE

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.

Preludes Prélude sur l'Intröit de l'Épiphanie

Cornet Voluntary

Maurice Duruflé Henry Heron

Processional Hymn 90 – As with gladness men of old (Dix)

Call to Worship
Introit – Three Kings are here

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Walter MacNutt

Three Kings are here both wealthy and wise, come riding far over the snow cover'd ice; Royal in throng, noble in song, they search for the Child, the Redeemer of wrong, With tambours and drums they go sounding along. God's angel speaks Saint Joseph anigh; with Jesus thy charge into far Egypt fly, Stay not nor stand; Herod's at hand, the ass hastens panting; the hot desert sand Has rescu'd our Saviour from Herod's ill band. Herod betrays these innocent lives, both younger and elder to lances and knives, Who can dare tell murder so fell? These pretty young children in anguish of Hell were martyr'd together his anger to quell.

Invocation and 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)

Scripture Is

Isaiah 60:1-6 (OT p.766)

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Matthew 2:1-12 (NT p.2)

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Response

C.M. Palmer

Grant us wisdom; grant us courage for the living of our days. Amen.

Announcements and Offering

Anthem – We have seen His star

Everett Titcomb

We have seen His star in the east and are come with our offering to worship the Lord.

Prayer of Dedication

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Hymn *SHB 116 – When Christ's appearing was made known (St. Thomas Becket)

Sermon – A GUIDING LIGHT

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Hymn 590 – Through the love of God our Saviour (Ar hyd y nos)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Darke)

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.

COMMUNICATIONS

To arrange for pick up of your 2012 offering envelopes, please contact Sheila Stonehouse, Manager of Financial Services at 416-922-1210 or sstonehouse@yorkminsterpark.com.	A limited number of large-print Bibles are available on the Narthex information table.
Please deliver notices for the calendar no later than Tuesday morning.	Please submit annual reports to the Church office by February 15 .

The December Newsletter is available on the Church website and copies are available on the Narthex, Centre Hall and Heath Street tables for those without internet access.

GLADSTONE LIBRARY: Please return any Library books you have borrowed from the Yorkminster Park Gladstone Library during the past year. There are a number of books overdue so please look over your shelves and side tables and return any items at your first opportunity. To return the books, leave them in the Library, on the book cart, or put them in the 'S' Church mailbox in the lower level with Randall Speller's name marked on a piece of paper and inserted in the book. Many thanks.



You are invited to...

A retirement celebration dinner For David and Cathie Phillips

as they conclude 36 years of missionary service with

Canadian Baptist Ministries

Friday, January 13, 2012

6:30pm-9:00pm Cost: \$15

Reservations may be made by calling the CBM office (905-821-3533) or the Church Office by January 9.



DOXA

**PLEASE NOTE THAT DOXA HAS CHANGED TO 11AM **

Doxa Theme for this month -

"Rhythm: wonder. discovery. passion."

In the beginning, God created a song, a rhythm. Humanity existed in harmony with God, with ourselves and with each other. But then humankind settled for another song—a lesser one—and the rhythm started falling apart. Yet even then, God didn't walk away, and because of that, we have a way to restore the rhythm with Him, with ourselves and with others.



January 13 – 15 (Jr High Retreat)

As the students journey from their old life to their new life and realize that their identity is in Christ we would ask that you please pray.....

- For His will to be done in the lives of the students as they are ministered to at AVALANCHE.
- Pray for seeds to be planted, watered, harvested for lasting relationships to be developed, safety and good health.
- Keep our pastors, leaders and students in your hearts; may the love of God be evident in and through each one as they reach out to this generation. (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Dates to Remember

Jan 22 - Doxa

Feb 3-5 Blizzard (Sr High Retreat)

Feb 10 - Bowling

Feb 25 - Today's Teens Conference



A heartfelt thank you to the congregation of YPBC for all the compassion and support shown to the residents of House of Compassion throughout 2011. We wish you a happy and healthy 2012.

To find out more about House of Compassion, we invite you to visit our website at www.hoctoronto.com or contact the Executive Director, Sue Osborne, at 416-536-2811.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Starting Wednesday, January 11, 2012 Teacher – Cheryle Hanna

Prayers in the Old Testament Wednesdays, 7:00 until 8:30pm Friendship Room

Twelve prayers in the Old Testament will be examined - The prayers of Abraham, Moses, Hannah, David, Solomon, Jonah, Jeremiah, Hezekiah, Ezra, Nehemiah, Daniel and Job will help us to make prayer come alive for us today. In this workshop-style study, we will study the prayer and then try writing a prayer of our own.

IN BETWEEN LIFE - "Leaves of Grass" (movie) Tuesday, January 17 at 7pm

'Leaves of Grass' merges crime drama, drug comedy and classical philosophy, as it attempts to answer the question: What does it mean to be happy?

(Available on-demand on Blockbuster.com or at Bay St. Video for rent)

We meet for conversation over soup and sandwiches in the Friendship Room the third Tuesday of each month from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. A donation for dinner is accepted.

View the movie and come prepared to discuss.



Over the next four weeks our congregation will participate in a unique program designed to help us both teach and practice a biblical way of giving that focuses on the abundance of God's grace and believer's need to give, rather than on the church's need for money. Through *Extravagant Generosity: The Heart of Giving* we will be encouraged to give, share, sacrifice and serve extravagantly and joyfully out of love for God and neighbour.

The small book *Daily Readings on the Grace of Giving* has been mailed to every home and we will begin reading together on Monday, January 9, 2012. You won't want to miss even one day as this new model of giving results in positive and dramatic change — not only in the lives of those touched by your generosity, but also in the lives of individuals and families within our church. Thank you for joining with your brothers and sisters in Christ as we read, pray and reflect on the same passages of scripture each day, believing God will make a difference and that we will do it together!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

This week in Children's Ministries

This week our children are starting a new theme and will be learning about

First Look – The <u>monthly theme</u> for January is 'Jesus wants to be my friend forever' and the memory verse is: "With God, all things are possible" Matthew 19:26 <u>This week</u> the scripture is taken from *John 2:1-11* Jesus was at a wedding party with His mother. The hosts ran out of super fancy drink. To save them from embarrassment Jesus used His amazing power to turn water into wine. The bottom line that we want to impress on our preschoolers is: JESUS CAN DO ANYTHING.

252 Basics –The monthly theme is 'Self-Control' (choosing to do what you should do, not what you want to do). The memory verse is "My dear brothers and sisters, pay attention to what I say. Everyone should be quick to listen. But they should be slow to speak. They should be slow to get angry." *James* 1:19 NirV

This <u>week's</u> scripture lesson is taken from Proverbs 25:28, a broken wall. The basic truth is 'I can trust God no matter what'. This week the bottom line we want to impress on our Grades 1 to 5 kids is: GOD CAN GIVE YOU THE POWER TO CONTROL YOURSELF

Thank you for all you have done!

Bethlehem on Yonge, our presentation of the Nativity, was a huge success. Over 500 people from around the community and across the nation were greeted, escorted, taught and fed. Christ was honoured, God was indeed gloried and the Holy Spirit was present with us; and this was due in no small part to your efforts!

Committee – Cheryle Hanna, Tom Klima, Christine Knight, Miriam Little, Tom Robertson, Jennifer Stephens

Roman Soldiers – Andrew Alberti, Gordon McKay, Michael Davidson, Tom Robertson, Jeffrey Radford-Grant, Mike Stephens, Matthew Harris, Ron Wakelin

Census Takers – Janice Bellmore, Matthew Reid, Eva Na Guo, Sonie Burgos, Luis Burgos Bethlehem Guides - Esther Barnes, Ken Little, Noriko Harris, Nazli Bashiri, Kathy Condie, Stuart Campbell. Sam Lee

Angels - Heather Rayne, Kathleen Wilson, Emma Speller, Emily Knope

Shepherds – Curtis Gallagher, Patrick Gallagher, Ethan Gallagher

Innkeeper - Kate Irish

Mary - Emma Liang

Joseph - Alan Liang

Magi – Bobby Giles, Ricardo Burton, Edward Burgos

Hostesses – Jennifer Stevens, Carol Radford-Grant, Kim Abell, Julia Gallagher, Leticia Limgenco

Carol Singing - Peter Holmes, Dawn King, Carol Epp

Lighting of the Christ Candle – Andrew, Carolyn, Nancy and Peter Alberti

Children's Presentation – directed by Mary Edward and Sabrina Yacoub; Dylan, Lindsey, Sarah, Alison, Luke, Callum, Anthony

Minster Singers - directed by Dawn King

Scripture Reading – Heather Robertson

Refreshments - Kelly Dixon, Will Dixon, Jack Dixon, Melanie Carter, Haleigh Carter

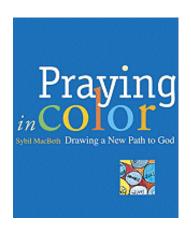
Set Up – Ray Tafaj, Luis Kraja, Lorenc Sherko, Carlos Lopez, Ken Little, Edward Burgos, Tom Robertson, Ricardo Burton

We pray God's richest blessing on you this day and throughout this coming year.

YP WOMEN



A reminder that <u>Link & Visitor</u> magazine subscriptions for 2012 are due. Please make a cheque for \$20.00 payable to "Yorkminster Park Women's Ministries" and place it, in the small brown envelope, on the offering plate. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Brady, your <u>Link & Visitor</u> promoter, at 416 265-2616. Small brown envelopes can be found in the Narthex on the Information Table and on the small table in the Centre Hall.



"PRAYING IN COLOUR" Saturday, January 28, 2012 9 am - 3:30 pm

A day-long women's retreat with Rev. Cheryle Hanna

We want to pray. We need to pray, but it is sometimes difficult. This day away is an opportunity to experience prayer. We will give our logical, sensible and reasonable left-brained selves a break and release the right sides of our brain; colour, movement and poetry our some of the avenues to prayer that we will explore.

Novotel Toronto (North York) Yonge and Sheppard area 3 Park Home Ave.

Gibson Ballroom - 2 blocks north of Shepherd,
west side of Yonge - North York Centre Subway Station or Underground Parking, \$5.00
Coffee, light refreshment and a full lunch included
Registration fee: \$40.

Please find yellow registration forms on bulletin board in Centre Hall or on table in the Narthex and submit with payment to Diane Letsche, Rhoda Hill, Ellen Branscombe, Chris Gay, Jonanne Fenton or Church Office by Sunday January 22/12. Cash or cheques made out to YPBC Women.

All women are warmly invited

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, JANUARY 8 TO SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2012

Sunday

9:15am	Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room
9:45am	Berean Class, Red Boardroom
9:45am	Bible Basics, Administrative Boardroom 502
10:00am	Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203
10:50am	Nursery for newborn to 2 years old
11:00am	The Rev. The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
	The Sacrament of Holy Communion
	Classes for toddlers to junior high after the Children's Prayer
11:00am	Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall
7:00pm	The Rev. John R. Torrance

Monday to Friday

Meals on Wheels

<u>Tuesday</u>

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9:30am	Prayers in the Chapel
10:00am	Open Door, Narthex
10:00am	Dorcas, Room 103
12:30pm	Men's Basketball, Gym
5:30pm	Deacons Executive, Administrative Boardroom 502
7:00pm	Board of Deacons, Friendship Room
6:00pm	Board of Christian Education, Room 203

Wednesday

10:00am to	12:30pm: Open Door, Narthex
12:30pm	Noonday Organ Recital: Raphael Tambyeff
6:00pm	Out of the Cold, Heritage Room and Gym
7:00pm	Bible Study, Friendship Room
7:00pm	Health and Wellness Committee Meeting, Library

Thursday

10:00am -	3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex
11:40am	Youth Drop In, Youth Zone and Gym
12:30pm	Men's Basketball, Gym
7:00pm	Brentwood-Toronto (AA), Heritage Room
7:00pm	Don Mills Bible Study, offsite
7:30pm	Senior Choir, Cameron Hall
7:30pm	Don Mills Bible Study, offsite
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Friday

5:00pm	CBOQ Junior High Youth Retreat at Muskoka Woods to Sunday
6:30pm	CBM Retirement Celebration Dinner for Phillips', Cameron Hall
7.00	VD Trailble-are Valley ball Cyre

7:00pm YP Trailblazers Volleyball, Gym

Next Sunday

9:15am	Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room
9:45am	Berean Class, Red Boardroom
9:45am	Bible Basics, Administrative Boardroom 502
10:00am	Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203
10:50am	Nursery for newborn to 2 years old
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – <i>The Sacrament of Baptism</i>
12:15pm	Art Gallery Reception, Centre Hall
12:15pm	Tour of Organ Chamber
4:30pm	Memorial Service for the Rev. Kerr Spiers

Staffing Update

In December, our Church Administrator took time off for health reasons. We are very grateful to John Fenton who has stepped in on a voluntary basis to assume her duties. We are pleased to report that Rosemary is now working on a part-time basis primarily from home on details related to the year-end statements. During this time John Fenton has agreed to be on- site and serve as our Interim Church Administrator. Again, John insists on serving in a volunteer capacity. It is a great blessing to have someone of John's great skill and experience so freely available to help in this time of need. Please keep our whole administrative team and support staff in your prayers. We thank God for them all.

David Knight, Chair, Board of Finance and Administration Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Minister of the Congregation

Prayer with the Children

Sunday mornings the YPBC children, along with our Minister of the Congregation Rev. Dr. Peter Holmes, will take us on a tour of YPBC's beautiful stained glass windows. Each week, one of the children is assigned a window to interpret in thier own way.

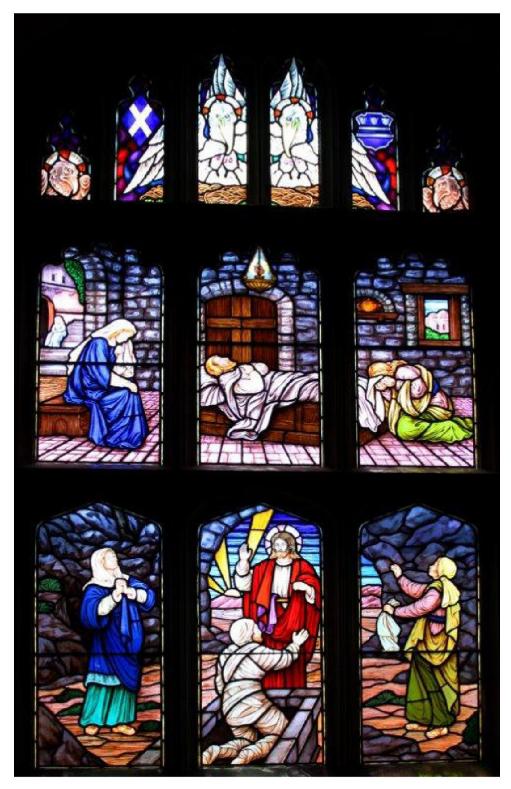
Their insights are shared with the congregation during the Children's Prayer.

Our presenter this week is Renée, and the window she will share is located on the south side in the clerestory, (upper level). It portrays the **Story of the Raising of Lazarus** found in John 11.

The window was installed and dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of Helen Thomson Wright in June 1995.

The Stained Glass Windows of Yorkminster Park - Online Slide Show You can view our windows in a slide show on our website. Visit yorkminsterpark.com

There is also a Stained Glass Windows booklet available in the Narthex.



The Raising of Lazarus

Photographer: Henry Regehr