

APRIL 29, 2012

EASTER IV



Yorkminster Park

BAPTIST CHURCH

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Interim Minister of Pastoral Care

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna
Minister of Discipleship

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MORNING WORSHIP – APRIL 29, 2012

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

- Preludes** Andantino Henry Morton Dunham
 Prélude Louis Vierne
- Processional Hymn 23 – Praise my soul, omit verse 4** (Praise my soul)
- Call to Worship** **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**
- Introit – A new commandment** *Richard Shephard*
A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another as I have loved you.
By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.
- Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer** **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**
Please see inside front cover of the hymn book.
- Hymn *SHB 120 – Won’t you let me be your servant** (Servant song)
- Prayer with the Children & Story Book** **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes & Michelle**
- Announcements** **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**
- Window on the World –** **Rupen Das**
 Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development
- Scripture – John 4:1-26** (NT p.97-98) **Rupen Das**
- Pastoral Prayer** **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**
- Choral Response** *C.M. Palmer*
Grant us wisdom; grant us courage for the living of our days.
- Offering –** Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9:7)
- Anthem – Light of the world** *Edward Elgar*
Light of the world, we know thy praise the angels raise and all of Heav’n;
More worthily sound that glory dims, which God to Thee has giv’n.
But Thou didst not disdain to take our low estate or e’en to make the tomb thy resting place.
Thou might bring into our night the dawn of thine eternal Light to shine upon our face.
Nor death, nor hell, nor sin is Lord, but Thou, O Son of God. Thy Word is now our sov’reign law.
Therefore we thank Thee and we pray Thy Light may shine unto the Perfect Day
For ever more on us.
- Doxology Hymn 766**
- Hymn 73 – The Lord’s my shepherd** (Crimond)
- Sermon – WRITTEN IN GLASS: IF ONLY WE’D KNOWN** **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**
- Recessional Hymn 436 – I heard the voice of Jesus say** (Kingsfold)
- Benediction** **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**
- Choral Amen** (Smith of Durham)
- Postlude** Fanfare *Nicolas-Jacques Lemmens*
 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’

EVENING SERVICE

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

Preludes Adagio (Symphony VI) *Charles Marie Widor*
Dalby's Fancy *Herbert Howells*

Processional Hymn 2 – All people that on earth do dwell (Old 100th)

Call to Worship **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

Introit – Now the green blade riseth *Arr. Martin Shaw*

Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain, Wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been. Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer Please see the inside cover of the hymn book.

Scripture **Genesis 18:22-33** (OT p.15-16) **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**

Romans 8:18-30 (NT p.164-165)

Solo – The sun shall be no more thy light *Maurice Greene*

Dawn King, soprano

Pastoral Prayer **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

Choral Response *C.M. Palmer*

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

Announcements and Offering

Anthem – Sing Alleluia forth *Eric Thiman*

Sing alleluia forth in duteous praise, ye citizens of heaven O sweetly raise an endless Alleluia. Ye powers who stand before th'Eternal Light, in hymning choirs re-echo to the height, an endless Alleluia. The Holy City shall take up your strain, and with glad songs resounding wake again an endless Alleluia. In blissful antiphons ye thus rejoice, to render to the Lord with thankful voice, an endless Alleluia. Ye who have gained at length your palms in bliss, victorious ones your chant shall still be this, an endless Alleluia. There in one grand acclaim, for ever ring the strains which tell the honour of your King, an endless Alleluia. While thee, by whom were all things made, we praise for ever, and tell out in sweetest lays, an endless Alleluia. Almighty Christ, to Thee our voices sing, glory for evermore to Thee we bring an endless Alleluia.

Prayer of Dedication **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

Hymn 53 – God moves in a mysterious way (Dundee)

Sermon – STANDING IN THE BREACH **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**

Hymn 692 – Father, in high heaven dwelling (Evening hymn)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Reading)

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

THIS WEEK'S WEDNESDAY NOONDAY RECITAL

Sharon L. Beckstead - Director of Music, Leaside United Church

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 pm. 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 limited number of large-print Bibles and calendars are available on the Narthex information table. If you would like one, please ask an usher. Please find our quarterly newsletter on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.

For children: Nursery for newborn to 2 years old from 10:50 am and classes for toddlers to junior high after the Children's Prayer.

A special welcome today to our out-of-country members, Rupen and Mamta Das.



Strategic Training
Empowering Partnerships

Rupen and Mamta serve as Global Field Staff in Lebanon. They were appointed by CBM in July 2009 and moved to Lebanon in September of the same year. One third of his time Rupen is Senior Advisor to the international programs department and works from Beirut to assist in capacity building programs and organizational assessments for CBM's key staff and national church partners across the world. In this capacity Rupen also provides leadership to the Diploma in Integral Mission, which is accredited by Carey Theological Seminary, Vancouver.

In Lebanon Rupen is seconded to the Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development (the Lebanese Baptist society) where he works with local churches to complement their verbal proclamation of the Gospel by responding to social needs in the community and demonstrate the reality of the Kingdom of God. He enables them to design and implement relief and development projects. Rupen is also program director for the Master of Religion in Middle Eastern and North African Studies offered at the Institute of Middle East Studies (IMES), which is a part of the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary (ABTS).

Mamta has a background in teaching, primarily in India, and has completed her diploma as a Personal Support Worker. Besides supporting Rupen, she is involved with neighbours and friends. Rupen and Mamta have considerable cross cultural experience through having lived as a family in many countries, such as India, US, Belarus, Russia, and Papua New Guinea. They have two grown and married children who remain in Canada.

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MEMORIAL FLOWERS

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

GUY OWEN AND ETHEL ELIZABETH STAPLES

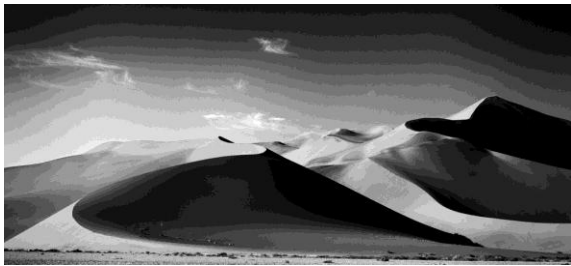
By Mary, David, Adam and Sarah.

PITTSBURGH PILGRIMAGE OF SACRED SPACES - This week a group of 54 from Yorkminster Park will be on a Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Follow their adventures in the days to come on Dr. Holmes' blog at <http://peter.yorkminsterpark.com/>. We will be remembering them in our prayers in the days to come.

The Rev. John Torrance is on vacation this Sunday and will be returning on May 8.

YORKMINSTER PARK ART GALLERY

Art Gallery open Monday to Friday from 10am – 4pm and Saturday 12pm – 4pm



Sossusvlei, Namib Desert, Namibia

OPENING – Today from 12:30-2:30pm,
Paying Attention by Graham French.

Continuing throughout the month of MAY, in conjunction with Toronto's photo-festival CONTACT, photographer **Graham French** presents his sweeping landscapes in all their grandeur and their inherent fragility. **French** sees himself as a steward with a job to do --- to call us to consider beauty, but also to contemplate how close we are to destroying it.

Next Sunday – Easter V

11:00 am Morning Worship Service - The Rev.

Dr. J. Peter Holmes

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

12:30pm – Family Lunch and Art, Heritage Room

12:30pm – Youth Art Show, Friendship Room

'FOR OUR GRANDCHILDREN' presents
"Sleepwalking to Catastrophe:
a call to action

Climate Change Forum and Town Hall"

May 6, 2 – 5 p.m. in Cameron Hall

Featuring various speakers and leaders.

For more information or to register -

<http://forourgrandchildren.ca/>

We look forward to welcoming people attending the For Our Grandchildren Town Hall meeting to our evening worship, as we give thanks and pray for the earth as stewards of God's creation.

Please note that our May 6 Evening Worship is at 5:30 p.m. featuring the Iona Creation Liturgy. Dr. Holmes will be preaching.

Please be advised that the Goodlife Fitness Toronto Marathon will be held on **Sunday, May 6**. Lane restrictions will be in effect and some intersections will be closed to traffic from 8am to approximately 3pm. Detailed road closure information is available at www.torontomarathon.com or for more information, please call 416-920-3466. Please plan your route.

PRAYERS

- Members of the Pastoral Care Committee are present in the Chapel to offer **PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND BLESSINGS** Each Sunday, following the morning worship service.
- The Sanctuary is open for prayer and meditation on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10am to 3pm.



BEACON YOUTH MINISTRY

Sundays at 12:30pm

The College and Career (C & C) start back up again on May 6.

We will be doing a book study by Rob Bell.

Contact Sam Lee for more info at 416-922-1519 or slee@yorkminsterpark.com

DOXA

May 13 at 11am in Cameron Hall

May 4th

Indoor Beach Volleyball for C & C.

Contact Sam for more info.



Study of Galatians

Galatians presents a vibrant and concise introduction to the Christian faith. In this short letter Paul reveals his passionate concern for the truth of the gospel and the spiritual health of the church of Christ. Join Peter Ferguson and Harold Hetherington in a three week study of the Apostle Paul's letter to the church in Galatia on Wednesday **May 2, 9 and 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm** in the Friendship Room.

The June-July-August 2012 *Our Daily Bread* Devotionals are available in the Centre Hall and Narthex.

Good Works – Coming this Tuesday, May 8

Good Works was established in 2003 at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church to serve as a Christian outreach ministry to serve, support, and encourage the employed, unemployed, those transitioning, re-entering the work force, and those retiring or retired.

Weekly Themes: When 'Faith meets Work', Dealing with Fear, Renovation of the Heart, Stress Management, Going from Chaos to Calm, Leveraging Social Media, Leadership Essentials, Reinventing yourself – What's Next? All weekly themes are supported by corresponding scripture, dynamic guest speakers and industry experts.

Facilitator and Host: Carol Roberts, workshop creator; **Coordinator:** Audrey Benjamin

Pre -Registration Is Required: Forms available in the Narthex and in the Church Office.

Free-will donation for participants. Eight weeks from **Tuesday, May 8th until June 28th, 2012.**

Location: Yorkminster Park Baptist Church **Room #203**

For more information please call the church office at **416-922-1167** and leave a message for **Carol Roberts** who will get back to you promptly. Information flyers are available on the Narthex, Centre Hall and Heath Street tables.

FRESH FROM THAILAND



Christians are bringing hope to some of the most vulnerable people in Thailand. Hear what David and Cathie Phillips saw and experienced during their three-month visit with their daughter's family. Join us in the Dorcas Room on **Thursday, May 10, at 12:30 p.m.** Bring a sandwich. **Note change of date and meeting room.**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Coming on May 6th! Children's Ministries is hosting a family Art Extravaganza event with lunch served right after church followed by the artist, Linda Deramaix, leading an art project. Please RSVP to Miriam Little (mlittle@yorkminsterpark.com) by **TODAY!**

This week in Children's Ministries

This week our children are learning.....



First Look – The monthly theme for April is ‘**Jesus wants to be my friend forever**’ and the memory verse is: “A friend loves at all times.” Proverbs 17:17, NIV.

This week the scripture is taken from John 14:1-4; Jesus told His friends that he was leaving to make a special place for them. Jesus is making a place for us, too; for us to be with him forever. The bottom line we want to impress on our kindergarten and Preschool children is: **JESUS IS MY GOOD FRIEND.**



252 BASICS –The monthly theme is **HOPE: believing that something good can come out of something bad.** The memory verse is ‘**In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world**’, **JOHN 16:33B, NIV.**

In today's lesson, the scripture is taken from Acts 3:1-10, 4:1-21 and I Peter 3:15 and is the story of Peter and John before the Sanhedrin. We'll see two men who weren't afraid to talk about God, even when it meant they could get thrown in prison. 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: **WHATEVER HAPPENS, TELL OTHERS WHAT GOD HAS DONE.**



High Five Children's Mission Project is sponsored by the Board of Mission and Children's Ministries. Help make a difference in the lives of children and youth in Lebanon by supporting camps run by the Baptist Children and Youth Ministry of Lebanon. High Five runs to May 20.

For more information, please see the flyers on the Narthex, Centre Hall and Heath Street tables.

Health and Wellness presents...

Journey Through Grief Toward Healing and Hope Bereavement Support Group

Starting Tuesday, May 15

In Youth Zone (Room 508)

Led by Rev. Elaine MacInnis,
Certified Grief Counsellor

Fee: \$30

covers the course materials and refreshments.

Please contact Heather Hetherington at
416-922-1428 or

parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com

to register/get more information.

FELLOWSHIP AT YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Lunch and a Murder Mystery Matinee at
The Old Mill Inn

Wednesday, June 13

Cost: \$46 per person

Stratford Bus Trip on

Wednesday, October 3, 2012

“Forty Second Street” with Cynthia Dale

Cost: \$150

To reserve, contact Judy MacDonald at 416-225-8295.

NEIGHBOURHOOD INTERFAITH EVENT

The Neighbourhood Interfaith Initiative cordially invites you to its **2012 Spring Event**.

"Truth or certainty: The challenge of Being Religious and Openminded"

Wednesday, May 16 at 7:15 PM

Beth Torah Synagogue at 47 Glenbrook Avenue

(just east of Dufferin, 4 blocks south of Lawrence Avenue West). Ample free parking available.

\$20 per person. Tickets available this week.

Dialogue, Discussion and Dessert

Tickets/information can be obtained from:

Charles Smedmor (416-932-3735/cgsmedmor@yahoo.com) or

The Church Office (416-922-1167 x221/office@yorkminsterpark.com)

YP WOMEN

SPRING THANKOFFERING DINNER-

WEDNESDAY MAY 23 - 6:30 PM

HERITAGE ROOM, YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

"CELEBRATING GOD AT WORK"

Special Guest: Anne Drost, Canadian Baptist Ministries

Anne will be highlighting the role of short term mission teams

and with reference to our STEP partner,

the Lebanese Society for Educational and Social Development

Tickets: \$15.00

(Available from members of the YPBC Women's Executive
and the Church office)

Please note that all proceeds will go to our own YPBC STM team that will
be going to Lebanon this summer to minister in one of the children's camps.
DO COME and BE INFORMED AND INSPIRED - EVERYONE WELCOME!

SALT AND LEAVEN - COLD POTLUCK SUPPER

MONDAY MAY 28 - 6:30 pm

At the home of Rhoda Hill,

73 C Corley Blvd.

Our own Shara Benavidez will briefly update us on her studies here at Wycliffe and her hopes
for future ministry.

All women are warmly invited for this time apart. Come and be refreshed and encouraged!



SAVE THE DATE:

**ONTARIO PRAYER BREAKFAST
THURSDAY MAY 31ST, 2012**

On **Thursday, May 31st** the annual Ontario Prayer Breakfast will take place at the **Fairmont Royal York hotel from 7:15 – 9:00 am**. This year's guest speaker **Dr. Jane Philpott**, a physician, educator, activist, wife and mother whose life and work are driven by her commitment to health equity and social justice. Bringing their classically trained vocal talents and

inspirational, sacred musical selections to this year's Ontario Prayer Breakfast is **Tenore**: The Christian Tenors. Tickets: \$50 each or \$500 for a table of 10. All are welcome. For more information and to order tickets please visit www.ontarioprayerbreakfast.com or call 905-619-3529. **There are a limited number of tickets available so order your tickets today.**

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PRAISE, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like thee His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

2 Praise Him for His grace and favour
To our fathers in distress;
Praise Him, still the same for ever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless;
Praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

3 Father-like He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He knows;
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes;
Praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy flows.

4 Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
Blows the wind—and it is gone.
But while mortals rise and perish,
God endures unchanging on.
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the high eternal One.

5 Angels, help us to adore Him,
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.

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1. Won't you let me be your servant,
Let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
To let you be my servant, too.

2. We are pilgrims on a journey,
We are travellers on the road;
We are here to help each other
Go the mile and bear the load.

3. I will hold the Christ-light for you
In the shadow of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
Speak the peace you long to hear.

4. I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh, I'll laugh with you,
I will share your joy and sorrow
Till we've seen this journey through.

5. When we sing to God in Heaven
We shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together
Of Christ's love and agony.

6. *Repeat verse 1.*

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PSALM xxiii.

THE Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green; He leadeth me
The quiet waters by.

2 My soul He doth restore again,
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness,
E'en for His own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear none ill;
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod
And staff me comfort still.

4 My table Thou hast furnishèd
In presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
And my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me;
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be.

*Francis Rous, 1579–1659,
revised for Scottish Psalter, 1650.*

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I HEARD the voice of Jesus say,
“ Come unto Me and rest ;
Lay down, thou weary one, lay down
Thy head upon My breast ” :
I came to Jesus as I was,
Weary, and worn, and sad ;
I found in Him a resting-place,
And He has made me glad.

2 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“ Behold, I freely give
The living water ; thirsty one,
Stoop down, and drink, and live ” :
I came to Jesus and I drank
Of that life-giving stream ;
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
And now I live in Him.

3 I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“ I am this dark world’s light ;
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
And all thy day be bright ” :
I looked to Jesus, and I found
In Him my star, my sun ;
And in that light of life I’ll walk
Till travelling days are done.

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

Our presenter this week is Michelle, and the window she will share is from the Park Road collection saved after the fire that destroyed the former Park Road Church in 1961. These windows are on permanent display in Yorkminster Park's Heritage Room.

The particular window we consider today portrays the story of **Jesus speaking with the Samaritan woman** at the well near the Samaritan village of Sychar as found in the fourth chapter of John's Gospel. The window includes Jesus words, "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst."

The scripture is John 4:1-26

The window was dedicated to God's glory as a memorial to Edmond Burke (1850-1919) and Minnie Jane Burke, (1857-1944).

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.



Jesus speaking with the Samaritan woman

Photographer: Henry Regehr