

WELCOME TO  
YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

January 29, 2017



**Morning Worship Service, January 29, 2017—11:00 am**

**Preludes**—Cantilène  
Vater unser

*Gabriel Pierné  
Samuel Scheidt*

**\*Processional Hymn 532**—All creatures of our God and King (*Lasst Uns Erfreuen*) (Omit Vs. 4 & 6)

**\*Call to Worship**

**Robyn Elliott**

**Introit**—Draw us in the Spirit's tether

*Jack Ossewaarde*

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether, for, when humbly in thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them. Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, touch we now thy garment's hem.*

**Invocation & The Lord's Prayer** (*Sung Amen*)

**Robyn Elliott**

**Responsive Psalm 15**

**Brennan Rabbets**

**Gloria Patri**

**Hymn 592**—As the deer pants for the water (*Nystrom*) (*Choir vs. 1*)

**Prayer with the Children**

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

**Children's book of Hymns**

**Liam**

*The children will go to Sunday School and the youth to Doxa in Cameron Hall*

**Announcements**

**Window on the Church**

**Holy Scripture**—1 Corinthians 1:18—31

**Richard Doust**

Matthew 5:1—12

**Pastoral Prayer**

**The Rev. Dale Rose**

**Choral Response**

*C.M. Palmer*

*Leave it all quietly to God, my soul, for my rescue comes from him alone. Amen.*

**Offering**

*He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

**Anthem**—As for our God (Ascribe unto the Lord)

*S. S. Wesley*

*As for our God, He is in heav'n. He hath done whatsoever pleased Him. The Lord hath been mindful of us and He shall bless us; He shall bless the house of Israel; He shall bless the house of Aaron. He shall bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. Ye are the blessed of the Lord, you and your children. The Lord hath been mindful of us. Ye are the blessed of the Lord who made heav'n and earth.*

**Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**Hymn 679**—In Christ there is no east or west (*St. Peter #664*)

**Sermon**—“The Greater Fool”

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

**Recessional Hymn 707**—Lift high the cross (*Crucifer*) (*Omit vs. 2, 3 & 4*)

**\*Benediction**

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

**Choral Amen**—Darke

**Postlude**—Grand Choeur

*Théodore Salomé*

*The Memorial Bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude.*

*\*Congregation Stands*

**Soloists:**

*Jessica Willingham, soprano; Dawn King, soprano;  
Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano; Martin Houtman, tenor;  
Stephen King, baritone;*

**Christel Wiens, Associate Musician.**

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**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

*The flowers in the Chancel today are dedicated to the  
Glory of God and placed in loving Memory of*

**DOUGLAS JOHNSON**

*By Jane, Kathryn, David, & Richard*

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**Join us for Coffee Talk**

After the morning worship service, we invite you to join us for coffee in the Narthex.

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**Pastoral Care Prayers**

**Prayers for Healing & Blessing** are offered in the Centennial Chapel immediately following the morning worship service for all who wish someone to pray with them.

Each **Tuesday at 9:30am**, you are invited to join the Ministerial team for intercessory prayer. If you have a prayer request, you may submit it on the Welcome Card and place it on the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister.

The Sanctuary is open for prayer and meditation on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday** from **10am—3pm**.

## Processional Hymn 532—All creatures of our God and King

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing,  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam:  
O praise him, O praise him,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;  
ye lights of evening, find a voice:

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
make music for thy Lord to hear,  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire, so masterful and bright,  
that givest us both warmth and light:

All ye that are of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God, and on him cast your care:

Let all things their creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness;  
O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

## Hymn 592—As the Deer Pants for the Water

As the deer pants for the water,  
so my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.

*You alone are my strength, my shield,  
to you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
and I long to worship you.*

I want you more than gold or silver,  
only you can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy-giver  
and the apple of my eye.

You're my Friend and you're my Brother,  
even though you are a king.  
I love you more than any other,  
so much more than anything.

## Hymn 679—In Christ there is no East or West

In Christ there is no east or west,  
in him no south or north,  
but one great fellowship of love  
throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts everywhere  
their high communion find;  
his service is the golden cord,  
close binding humankind.

Join hands, then, children of the faith,  
whate'er your race may be;  
who serves my Father as his child  
is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west,  
in him meet south and north;  
all Christlike souls are one in him,  
throughout the whole wide earth.

## **Recessional Hymn 707—Lift high the cross**

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

Come, let us follow where our Captain trod,  
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God:

Saved by the cross whereon their Lord was slain,  
earth's fallen children their lost home regain:

From north and south, from east and west they raise  
in growing unison their song of praise:

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee:

Let every race and every language tell  
of him who saves our souls from death and hell:

From farthest regions let them homage bring,  
and on his cross adore their Saviour King:

Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease  
beneath the shadow of its healing peace:

For thy blest cross which doth for all atone  
creation's praises rise before thy throne:

## **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Ecumenical Service of the Word**

**Today at 3pm** at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond St. Join with Christians of all denominations around the world in offering prayers for Christian unity. Peter Holmes will be the guest preacher and the Yorkminster Park Choir will be singing. William Maddox will also be playing the preludes and postlude. There will be **no 7pm service**.

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### **Volunteers Drivers Needed**

We have identified a need within our congregation! There are occasional needs for rides to appointments, events and church. Is anyone interested in helping occasionally? Is anyone interested in coordinating the drivers and the needs? It is important to know that we have spoken to our church insurance company and it has been brought to our attention that drivers must have their own insurance coverage. Please email the parish nurse Jan, at [parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com) or call the church at 416-922-1428.

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### **Children's Ministry**

This month in Children's Ministries our children are learning about...

**First Look (2-5 yrs):** In January the theme in First Look is 'Jesus wants to be my friend forever.'

**The Memory Verse** is "You are everything I need." Psalm 119:57, NIRV

Stories covered this month are taken from John 9:1-7; Mark 2:1-12; Mark 7:32-37; Luke 17:11-19; Matthew 8:23-27.

**The Bottom Line:** 'Jesus is there when I need Him.'

#### **252 Basics (6-10 yrs)**

**In January in 252 the children are learning about:** "Knowledge is learning something new so you can be better at whatever you do."

**The Memory Verse:** "Your word is like a lamp that shows me the way. It is like a light that guides me." Psalm 119:105, NIRV

**The Bottom Line** we would like children to know is: discovering what God says helps you to know Jesus; helps you to follow Jesus; and helps you to make wise choices. When you don't know what God says - ask.

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### **Divorce Care**

This Week's topic at Divorce Care is "Single Sexuality." Please feel free to join us in the Youth Zone on **Thursdays from 6:30pm—8:30pm** for discussion. Friends are always welcomed to join.

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### **Churches on the Hill Food Bank**

**February's** Food of the Month suggested donation is **Canned Fruit**. Visit us at our website at [www.cothfoodbank.ca](http://www.cothfoodbank.ca) for more information.



## **CBWOQ Magazine**

**live** is the CBWOQ magazine for “Baptist women on a mission.” It’s time for new and renewal subscriptions to be submitted. \$20 brings you a year (6 issues) of this thoughtful and informative publication. Small brown envelopes are available in the Centre hall and in the narthex. Please make your cheque payable to “Yorkminster Park Baptist Church” and “live magazine” on your memo line. Place it in the envelope, with your name and address clearly marked, on the offering plate. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Brady, your live promoter, at 416 265-2616.

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## **Sing Joyfully**

### **Sing Joyfully—A hymn concert on Saturday, March 4 at 4pm**

The Toronto Mendelssohn Choir, the YP Minster Singers and organist William Maddox join forces for a great hymn sing. Audience members will be invited to sing along with hymns from our new hymnbook, Ancient and Modern, the new edition of the world’s best-known hymn book. The two choirs will also perform stirring anthems from across the centuries. Tickets are available at [www.tmchoir.org](http://www.tmchoir.org)

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## **Centre Hall Greeters**

We are reaching out to anyone with an interest in putting a few hours in each month to be Centre Hall desk greeters. The times are Monday to Friday from 10:00am—2:00pm, for a maximum of four hours a month. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Cody at [office@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:office@yorkminsterpark.com).

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## **Ministry Leaders**

**Please be advised that annual reports for 2016 are due to the Church office January 31, 2017.** If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cody at the Church Office, 416-922-1167 or by email at [office@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:office@yorkminsterpark.com).

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## **Discipleship 101 (Baptism / Church Membership Class)**

Peter Holmes and Dale Rose will be teaching an introductory class on the Christian Faith which includes an examination of what it means to be a Christian and how to practice and grow in the faith, as well as the meaning of Baptism and Communion and how to be involved in the life of the church. The class will include a historic understanding of Baptist beliefs and the history of Yorkminster Park. All our welcome. The classes will be held for three successive Sunday mornings, February 5th, 12th and 19th in the Pastor’s office (Dale or Peter). Those wanting to learn more about the faith, or to be Baptized and/or join the church are welcome.

A Discipleship 101 class for youth will be held at 10am on Sunday Feb. 26, March 5, and March 12. The next service of Baptism will be held on Palm Sunday, April 9 at 11am.

## The Gathering



It's Time to Put On Your Game Face! On **Saturday, February 18 at 5:00pm** we're setting the table and want to set a place for you and your friends. Please plan to join us in Cameron Hall for dinner and an evening of games and fun. All ages and stages of life are welcome and there will be games of all kinds, from active to more subdued. Together let's chase away the mid-winter blues with fun and friends! For reservations, contact Robyn by phone at 416-922-1167 or by email at [relliott@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:relliott@yorkminsterpark.com). See you for dinner and games!

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## Lenten Life Group

Christmas is behind us and Easter is before us. As we move from the crèche to the cross, we will again be offering a Lenten congregational study beginning the week of Ash Wednesday (March 1st). We invite you to make space in your schedules and consider participating in a short-term Life group for the six weeks of Lent. Details of the book title and times and locations of the various groups will be published shortly. Stay tuned!

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## Coldest Night of the Year

**Saturday, February 25**, register to walk with John and Jonanne Fenton and Peter Holmes and many others on **YP's, TEAM FENTON** at [canada.cony.org](http://canada.cony.org) The walk begins from Ryerson (379 Victoria St.) at 5:15pm but arrive early to register. The walk is in support of the Yonge St. Mission's work with the hungry, hurting and homeless of our city.

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## Ministerial Team

In accordance with the YP Constitution, the Board of Deacons has appointed a Ministerial Replacement Committee to engage in the prayerful process of identifying and recommending the candidate they believe to be called of God to serve on our Ministerial Team in the position of the Minister or Director of Discipleship. The committee is made up of Ruth Farrow, (Chair), Diane Letsche, (Deacons), John Lutz (Finance and Admin), Trevor Sinker (C.E.), Leticia Reyes and Alison Stephens, (Youth Rep). Please pray for this committee during this process of discernment.

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## Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces - Cleveland

The Sacred Spaces Committee is at work preparing a pilgrimage to Cleveland, Ohio leaving early **Monday, May 1** and returning in the early evening on Thursday, May 4. The pilgrimage will be led by Peter Holmes, Corey Keeble (Curator Emeritus of the ROM), and William Maddox. The cost (to be announced), will include coach transport to Cleveland, downtown hotel accommodation, 3 hot breakfasts and 3 light suppers and much more. The number of participants will be limited by the number of seats on the bus. To register for this event please contact Don Deathe at [don.deathe@sympatico.ca](mailto:don.deathe@sympatico.ca) or 416-463-8685.

## **This Week at Yorkminster Park: January 29, 2017**

### **Every Sunday**

9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room  
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room  
10:00am Youth Fellowship, Cameron Hall  
10:00am Choristers, Room 203C  
10:00am Pilgrim with Jesus, Fifth Floor Board Room  
10:00am Parenting Life Group, Youth Zone  
10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, Room 213

### **Today**

11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Sanctuary  
12:30pm Family Event, Skating, Friendship Room  
3:00pm Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica  
*There will be no Evening Service today, January 29th.*

### **Monday**

7:00am Men's Morning Brew Bible Study, Friendship Room

### **Tuesday**

9:30am Prayers, Chapel (*all are invited to join*)  
10:00am Dorcas Group, Youth Zone  
10:00am Women's Prayer & Bible Study Group, Friendship Room  
10:00am Open Door, Narthex  
12:10pm Lunchtime Chamber Music; *Rising Stars Recital*, Sanctuary  
7:00pm Deacons Restructuring Committee Meeting, Red Board Room

### **Wednesday**

10:00am Open Door, Narthex  
12:30pm Noonday Recital; *Nicholas Welch*, Sanctuary  
7:00pm Out of The Cold, Gymnasium

### **Thursday**

10:00am Open Door, Narthex  
10:00am YP Women's Executive Meeting, Fifth Floor Board Room  
6:00pm Church Council Meeting, Red Board Room  
6:30pm Divorce Care, Youth Zone  
7:30pm Don Mills Bible Study, Offsite  
7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall

### **Friday**

9:15am Senior Gentle Fitness—Low Intensity, Youth Zone  
10:15am Senior Gentle Fitness—Moderate Intensity, Youth Zone  
5:45pm Bay Street Life Group, Friendship Room

### **Saturday**

9:00am YPBC Women's Retreat, Offsite

### **Next Sunday**

11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Communion, Sanctuary  
7:00pm The Rev. Dale Rose, Iona Liturgy, Sanctuary

Photo Caption: Memorial bells installed into the south-east tower of the Church in August 2008.  
Photo by Peter Holmes

# We are delighted that you have joined us!

Here is some information which we hope will be helpful to you.

**Parking:** Parking is FREE on Sunday mornings until 12:45 pm. at City Parking at Alvin Ave. (one street east of Yonge & St. Clair). Don't forget to have your ticket stamped in the Narthex\*.

**Accessibility:** A limited number of large-print Bibles and calendars are available for use in worship. If you would like one, please ask an usher. Hearing assistance is also available. Please speak with our volunteer at the Welcome Table in the Narthex\*.

**For Children:** Nursery is available for newborn to 2 years old from 10:50 am and classes for toddlers to Grade 5 after the Children's Prayer. Parents are reminded to pick up a pager before the service, or when the children head to classes. Youth are encouraged to join Doxa Youth Worship in Cameron Hall today.

**Fellowship:** Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Narthex\*. We invite you to participate with us.

**Stay Connected:** 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\*.

If you wish to know more about Yorkminster Park or if you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please contact the Church Office at [info@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:info@yorkminsterpark.com) or 416-922-1167.

\* The Narthex is located in the Sanctuary Entrance Hallway.

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The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes  
Minister of the Congregation

The Rev. Dale Rose  
Minister of Pastoral Care

Ms. Robyn Elliott  
Interim Director of Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox BMus, FTCL, FCAM  
Organist and Director of Music

Ms. Kelly Dixon  
Director of Children's Ministries

Mr. Brennan Rabbets  
Director of Youth

Ms. Jan Andrews RN, BScN, MN  
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The Rev. John Torrance  
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