WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH



Morning Worship Service, February 26, 2017–11:00 am

Lark Popov and George Vona, duo pianists

*Processional Hymn 610—Christ is the world's true light (Nun Danket)

*Call to Worship—Psalm 99

Preludes

- People: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.
- Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!
- People: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.
- Leader: Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!
- People: Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the LORD, and he answered them.
- Leader: He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them.
- People: O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings.
- Leader: Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy.

Introit—O Loving Saviour

O loving Saviour, who didst die to save us; for all Thy love we praise Thee. We magnify and bless Thy Holy Name forever. We praise Thee, O Lord. Alleluia.

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer (Sung Amen)

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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Presentation of Infants and Act of Dedication The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Kelly Dixon, and Robyn Elliott

*Hymn 625—Faithful One (Youth sing first, congregation join for repeat)

Prayer with the Children	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes and Brennan Rabbets
Children's book of Hymns	Lydia
	The children will go to Sunday School

 Announcements

 Holy Scripture—Matthew 17:1—9

 Piano Interlude
 Lark Popov and George Vona

 Pastoral Praver
 The Rev. Dale Rose & Renée

Ethan

Vasily Kalinnikov

Robvn Elliott

Choral Response

Offering

Be attentive to God's beloved Son as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. (2 Peter 1:19)

Anthem—At the river

Aaron Copland, arr. I. Fine Shall we gather by the river, where bright angel's feet have trod, with its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God. Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God. Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease, soon our happy hearts will guiver with the melody of peace. Yes we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, gather with the saints by the river that flows by the throne of God.

*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 744—O God of Bethel (Salzburg)

Sermon-"Light of the World"

*Recessional Hymn 281—Tis good Lord to be here (Carlisle)

*Benediction

*Choral Amen—Stanford in Bb

Postlude–Festival

Flor Peeters

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Chancel today are dedicated to the Glory of God and placed in loving Memory of **CYNTHIA BLUNT** By Wilton, David, & Donna

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Hymn 610—Christ is the world's true light

Christ is the world's true light, its captain of salvation, the daystar clear and bright of every land and nation; new life, new hope awakes, where peoples own his sway: freedom her bondage breaks, and night is turned to day.

In Christ all races meet, their ancient feuds forgetting, the whole round world complete, from sunrise to its setting: when Christ is throned as Lord, lands shall forsake their fear, to ploughshare beat the sword, to pruning-hook the spear.

One Lord, in one great name unite us all who own thee; cast out our pride and shame that hinder to enthrone thee; the world has waited long, has travailed long in pain; to heal its ancient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign!

Hymn 625–Faithful One

Faithful One, so unchanging, Ageless One, you're my rock of peace. Lord of all I depend on you, I call out to you again and again. I call out to you again and again. You are my rock in times of trouble. You lift me up when I fall down. All through the storm your love is the anchor, my hope is in you alone.

Hymn 744—O God of Bethel

O God of Bethel, by whose hand thy people still are fed, who through this weary pilgrimage hast all our fathers led;

Our vows, our prayers, we now present before thy throne of grace; God of our fathers, be the God of their succeeding race.

Through each perplexing path of life our wandering footsteps guide; give us each day our daily bread, and raiment fit provide.

O spread thy covering wings around till all our wanderings cease, and at our Father's loved abode our souls arrive in peace.

Hymn 281-Tis good Lord to be here

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, thy glory fills the night; thy face and garments, like the sun, shine with unborrowed light.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, thy beauty to behold, where Moses and Elijah stand, thy messengers of old.

Fulfiller of the past, promise of things to be, we hail thy body glorified, and our redemption see.

Before we taste of death, we see thy kingdom come; we fain would hold the vision bright, and make this hill our home.

'Tis good, Lord, to be here, yet we may not remain; but since thou bidst us leave the mount, come with us to the plain.

Presentation of Child and Dedication of Parents

We welcome these parents as they present their children to God and dedicate themselves to the nurture of their little ones: **RYAN JOHN GIBBS**, **born on April 12 2016**, son of Claudette Knight and Guy Gibbs, **ABIGAIL CHARLOTTE JOSEPH**, **born on January 21**, **2016**, daughter of Kamran and Karen Joseph and **THOMAS ADAM MAIER**, **born on November 28**, **2016**, son of Catherine and Jonathan Maier.

Join us for Coffee Talk

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

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**.

Food Bank

February's Food of the Month suggested donation is **Canned Fruit**. Visit us at our website at www.cothfoodbank.ca for more information.

Youth Discipleship 101 (Baptism / Church Membership Class)

A Discipleship 101 class for youth will be held at 10am **Today**, March 5, and March 12. The next service of Baptism will be held on Palm Sunday, April 9 at 11am. Please speak to Brennan Rabbets or Peter Holmes for more information.

YPBC News

The spring issue of the YPBC news will be published in March. Please submit all items/articles by **Friday March 10 2017**. Text should be in WORD and photos/illustrations should be in JPEG. Please send all materials to pilgrim.h@sympatico.ca.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Business Meeting has been postponed and will now take place on **March 26 at 12:15pm in the Heritage Room.**

Prayer Shawl Knitting



This group is an initiative of the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Women. We meet at 7pm in the Friendship Room on the fourth Tuesday of the month. If you are interested in knitting or crocheting we encourage you to join us for an evening of fellowship and of creating shawls to be given to people in need of comfort. Since we have been meeting, approximately 400 shawls have been given out and are much appreciated by the recipients. We welcome new

people to join us and we would welcome back those who have not recently attended. If you are less experienced in these skills, assistance is available. Yarn and needles are also provided. Please consider joining us this coming **Tuesday**, **February 28**, **2017 at 7pm in the Friendship Room**.

YP Women's Easter Flowers

Forms for **donations** to the Easter memorial flower fund are available on the tables in the Narthex and Centre hall. All forms should be submitted to the office by **April 2, 2017**. If you have any questions, please contact Kay Hayes or Cody in the Church Office.

Pastors' Pancake Supper

Shrove Tuesday | Feb. 28 - 5:00pm to 7:00pm | Heritage Room



COME AND CHECK OUT how our "Master Chefs" Peter Holmes, Dale Rose & Debbie Bozzi show the rookies Kelly Dixon, Robyn Elliott & Jan Andrews how pancakes are made at YP. Brennan Rabbets will be on KP duty again this year! All proceeds raised are to support the Oneida Mission Trip.

Lenten Service of Prayer and Song Shrove Tuesday, February 28th, 7:15pm

JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL, (immediately following the Pancake Supper), where we will use the liturgies of Iona and the music will be led by Eric Robertson and friends.

Sing Joyfully—A Hymn Concert 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 or by phone at 416-408-0208. use promo code "YPBC" and save 10%.

World Day of Prayer service

Are you curious about the Philippines? This year's **World Day of Prayer service** was written by the women of the Philippines and shares some of their nation's history as well as current concerns. Everyone is invited to come to the World Day of Prayer service at Calvin Presbyterian Church (26 Delisle Ave) on **Friday March 3 at 1:00pm** with reception to follow. Join thousands of congregations across Canada and around the globe as we reflect on this year's theme "Am I Being Unfair to You?" from Matthew 20:1–16.

Cover Photo: Preparing Sunday School Lessons, by Janice Ivory-Smith



2017 LENTEN Congregational StudyBook: 24 Hours by Adam HamiltonDates: February 26th - April 9th

Sundays	10:00 am	Begins February 26	YPBC Rm 502	Paula Willis
Sundays	12:30 pm	Begins February 26	YPBC Rm 510	Full Life Group
Mondays	7:00 am	Begins March 6	YPBC Friendship Rm	Stuart Campbell
Tuesdays	6:00 pm	Begins March 7	YPBC Youth Zone	Rob Inman
Wednesdays	7:00 pm	Begins March 1	YPBC Friendship Rm	John Speller
Thursdays	12:00 pm	Begins March 2	YPBC Friendship Rm	Dina Gilbert
Thursdays	7:00 pm	Begins March 2	The Manse	Peter Holmes
Thursdays	7:30 pm	Begins March 2	Off-site	Dale Rose
Fridays	5:45 pm	Begins March 3	YPBC Friendship Rm	Bay St. Life Group

GROUP SIGN-UP AND BOOK PURCHASE in the Narthex (Yonge St. foyer) and Main Hall on Sundays or email Robyn at **relliott@yorkminsterpark.com**

This Week at Yorkminster Park: February 26, 2017

Every Sunday

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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	
<u>Today</u>		
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Sanctuary	
12:30pm	Journey Together Walking Group, Red Board Room	
7:00pm	Robyn Elliott, Choral Evensong, Sanctuary	
Monday		
7:00am	Men's Morning Brew Bible Study, Friendship Room	
6:30pm	YP Women "Women in Community" Potluck Supper, Friendship Room	
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<u>Tuesday</u>		
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; <i>Rising Stars Recital</i> , Sanctuary	
5:00pm	Pastors' Pancake Dinner, Heritage Room	
7:00pm	Prayer Shawl Knitting, Friendship Room	
7:15pm	Lenten Service of Prayer and Song, Chapel	
<u>Wednesday</u>		
10:00am	Open Door, Narthex	
7:00pm	Lenten Book Study, Randall Speller Leader, Friendship Room	
7:00pm	Out of The Cold, Gymnasium	
<u>Thursday</u>		
10:00am	Open Door, Narthex	
12:00pm	Lenten Book Study, Dina Gilbert Leader, Friendship Room	
7:00pm	Lenten Book Study, Paula Willis Leader, Offsite	
7:30pm	Don Mills Bible Study/Lenten Book Study, Offsite	
7:30pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall	
<u>Friday</u>		
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	
6:00pm	Youth Event, Running Games, Cameron Hall	
Saturday		
4:00pm	Sing Joyfully Hymn Concert, Sanctuary	
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Next Sunday	The Dev Dr. I. Deter Helmer Construct	
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Sanctuary	
7:00pm	The Rev. Dale Rose, Iona Liturgy, Sanctuary	



2016/17 TRANSPORT YOURSELF

Sing Joyfully! Concert & Hymn Sing, March 4th at 4pm

Toronto Mendelssohn Choir, the Minster Singers of Yorkminster Park, and organist William Maddox join forces for a great hymn sing.

Enjoy a performance of beautiful anthems, including Morten Lauridsen's *O Magnum Mysterium*, Paul Halley's *Jesu*, *the very thought of Thee*, Healey Willan's *Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones*, and more.

Then add your voice to the stirring audience hymns, all selected from the newest edition of the *Ancient and Modern* hymnal.

Saturday, March 4 at 4 pm

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church 1585 Yonge St. (1 block north of St. Clair) Tickets: \$35, \$20 VoxTix for those 30 & under

Special offer to parishioners and their families: SAVE 10% - use promo code "YPBC" and save 10% off \$35 tix. This offer is available on advance sales only, and not on the day of the concert.

Call *RCM Tickets*: 416-408-0208 or purchase tickets online at www.tmchoir.org

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.

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 or 416-922-1167.

* The Narthex is located in the Sanctuary Entrance Hallway.

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

The Rev. Dale Rose Minister of Pastoral Care

Ms. Kelly Dixon Director of Children's Ministries Interim Director of Discipleship Mr. Brennan Rabbets Director of Youth

Ms. Robyn Elliott

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

> Ms. Jan Andrews RN, BScN, MN Parish Nurse

The Rev. John Torrance Minister Emeritus, Pastoral Care The Rev. Dr. William Sturgess Minister Emeritus, Pastoral Care



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