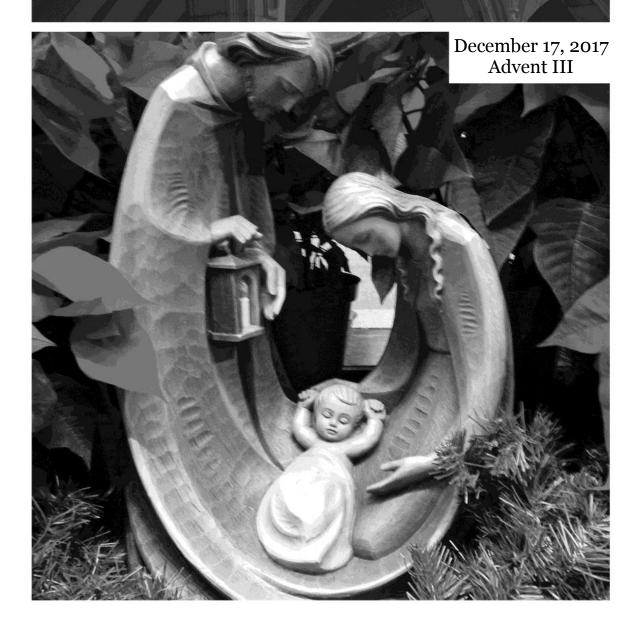
# WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH



### Morning Worship Service—December 17, 2017, 11:00 am Advent III

\* Congregation Stands

**Preludes**—Grand Jeu et Duo The Holy Boy Louis Claude D'Aquin John Ireland

\*Processional Hymn 78—O come, all ye faithful (Adeste Fideles) (Omit vs. 4, 5, and 7)

\*Call to Worship—Isaiah 40:1-3

The Rev. Dale Rose

**Introit**—Christmas Lullaby

Philippa Campsie

# Choristers Jessica Willingham; Conductor

**Lighting of the Advent Candle of Joy** 

Shannon, Harden, Cruz, Kiva, and Azel

The Lord's Prayer (seated) (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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**Presentation of an Infant and Dedication of Parents** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Kelly Dixon, and The Rev. Dale Rose

\*Congregational Hymn 60—Away in a manger (Cradle Song)

**Christmas Story Presented by Children** 

Gospel Lesson-Luke 2:1-16

Sarah Florio

Hymn 89i—While shepherds watched (Winchester Old) (vs. 1-3) (Remain Seated)

**Gospel Lesson—Matthew 2:1—11** 

**Jack Florio** 

**Hymn 89i**—While shepherds watched (Winchester Old) (vs. 4-6) (Remain Seated)

During the Hymn, children come to the Chancel

**Preschool and Kindergarten Song**—Go tell it on the Mountain (Go Tell it) **Kelly Dixon** 

Go, tell it on the mountain, over the hills and everywhere. Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.

**Prayer with Children** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes and Brennan Rabbets

Announcements

\*Hymn 88—What child is this (Greensleeves)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

**Robyn Elliott** 

**Choral Response**—Hear my prayer, O Lord my God S. Alec Gordon Hear my prayer, O Lord my God. Harken to my supplication; be merciful to me, a sinner. Amen.

#### **Offering**

For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the Lord of hosts.

(Haggai 2: 6-7)

# Anthem—Rise up, shepherd and follow

John Rutter

There's a star in the East on Christmas morn, Rise up, shepherd, and follow, It will lead to the place where the Saviour's born, Rise up, shepherd, and follow. Leave your sheep and leave your lambs, Leave your ewes and leave your rams, If you take good heed of the angel's words, You'll forget your flocks, you'll forget your herds. Rise up, shepherd, and follow.

### \*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.

**Sermon**—"The Tree Man"

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

\*Recessional Hymn 72—Joy to the world (Antioch)

\*Benediction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

\*Choral Amen—Maddox in Eb

Postlude—Tuba Tune

C. S. Lang

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

#### Soloists:

Jessica Willingham, soprano, Amanda Cogan, soprano Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano, Anthony Varahidis, tenor Lutzen Riedstra, baritone

Christel Wiens, Associate Musician

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The poinsettias in the Chancel are placed to the Glory of God by the YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH WOMEN to celebrate the advent of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The poinsettias will be available for distribution after the New Year's Eve Watchnight Service.

Sunday January 21st is available for anyone wishing to place memorial flowers or flowers commemorating a celebration in the Sanctuary. Contact Kay Hayes at 416-447-9416

### **Presentation of Infant and Dedication of Parents**

We welcome these parents as they present their child to God and dedicate themselves to the nurture of their little one:

**ARIANA MARIE SOUZA,** born on October 31, 2017 daughter of Cleber and Charryse Souza

#### Join us for Coffee Talk

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

#### 2018 Offering Envelopes

The 2018 offering envelopes are in the Centre Hall today. Please pick up your set.

#### **Pastoral Care Prayers**

**Prayers for Healing and 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.

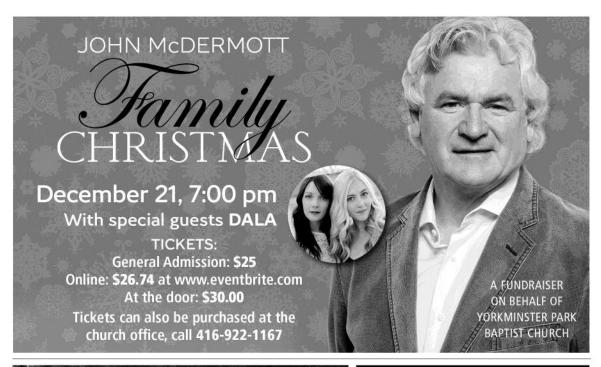
The Sanctuary is open for prayer and meditation on **Tuesday**, **Thursday** from **11:30am—2pm** and **Wednesday** from **10:30pm—1:00pm**.

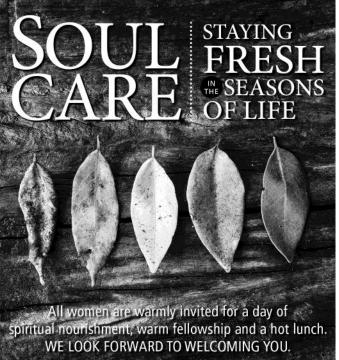
#### Women's' Ministries

We want to thank all of you who purchased poinsettias this fall. We are so pleased to let you know that we raised \$650 for women's ministries, half of which has been dedicated to the CBWOQ Dorothy Neal New Initiatives fund. Please know that your contributions will make a difference in the lives of many women throughout the world and here at home. We are grateful!

# live 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 have been put into church envelope boxes, and are available in the Centre hall and in the narthex. Please make your cheque payable to "Yorkminster Park Baptist Church" with "live magazine" on the 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.





# YPBC | WOMEN'S RETREAT



# FACILITATOR: Dr. Janet Clark Academic Dean, Tyndale Seminary

# SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2018 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

THE COURTYARD MARRIOTT HOTEL 475 Yonge Street, (approximately 1 block north of the College St. subway station)



# Registration fee Includes light refreshments and

Includes light refreshments and a full hot lunch.

# **REGISTER TODAY!**

Registration forms available on the Centre Hall table, in the Narthex and online at

www.yorkminsterpark.com/grow/ypbc-women DEADLINE: Sunday January 14th

# Hymn 78—O come, all ye faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; come and behold him born the King of Angels:

Chorus
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
O come, let us adore him,
Christ the Lord!

God of God,
Light of Light,
lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb;
very God,
begotten, not created:
Chorus

See how the shepherds, summoned to his cradle, leaving their flocks, draw nigh with lowly fear; we too will thither bend our joyful footsteps: Chorus

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; glory to God in the highest:

Chorus

# Hymn 60—Away in a manger

Away in a manger, no crib for a bed, the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head; the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay, the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes, but little Lord Jesus no crying he makes. I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky, and stay by my side until morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay close by me for ever, and love me, I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

# Hymn 88—What child is this

What child is this, who, laid to rest on Mary's lap is sleeping? whom angels greet with anthems sweet, while shepherds watch are keeping? this, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds worship and angels sing: haste, haste to bring him praise the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?
Come, have no fear, God's Son is here, his love all loves exceeding:
nails, spear, shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you:
hail, hail, the Saviour comes, the babe, the son of Mary.

So bring him incense, gold and myrrh, all tongues and peoples own him, the King of kings salvation brings, let every heart enthrone him: raise, raise your song on high while Mary sings a lullaby, joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary.

# Hymn 72—Joy to the world

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
let earth receive her King;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns!
let all their songs employ;
while fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

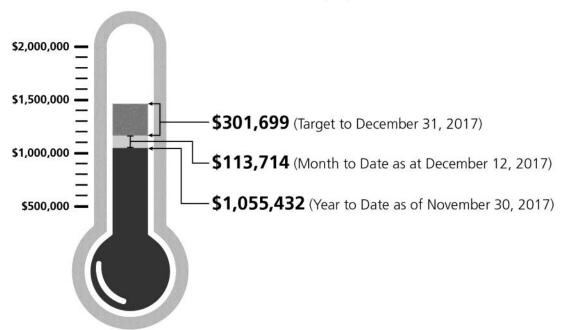
He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

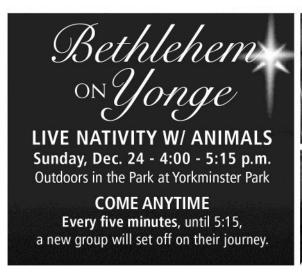
# **Financial Update**

# Please help us reach our target for 2017

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich".

- 2 Corinthians 8:9 (NIV)











# This Week at Yorkminster Park: December 17, 2017

**Every Sunday** 

9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room

10:00am Choristers, Room 203A

10:00am God of All Things, Fifth Floor Board Room

10:00am Youth Fellowship, Cameron Hall

10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, Room 213

12:30pm Full Life Group, Youth Room

**Today** 

11:00am Worship, The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Advent III 4:30pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols, Sanctuary

**Tuesday—Thursday** 

11:30am—2:00pm Open Door, Narthex

**Tuesday** 

9:30am Prayers, Chapel (all are invited to join)

10:00am Dorcas Group, Youth Zone 508

12:10pm Prime Timers; *Eric Robertson*, Friendship Room

**Wednesday** 

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

6:00pm Out of the Cold, Gymnasium

**Thursday** 

5:00pm Heath & Wellness Meeting, Red Board Room 7:00pm John McDermott Family Christmas, Sanctuary

**Friday** 

5:45pm Bay Street Life Group, Fifth Floor Board Room

Next Sunday Christmas Eve

11:00am Worship, The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Advent IV

4:00pm Bethlehem on Yonge, Park

11:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, Sanctuary

Monday December 25, Christmas Day, Offices Closed

11:00am Christmas Day Communion

<u>Tuesday</u> <u>December 26, Boxing Day, Offices Closed</u>

# 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 or 416-922-1167.

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

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