

DECEMBER 19, 2010

ADVENT IV

**FESTIVAL OF
NINE LESSONS
AND CAROLS
(pm)**



Yorkminster Park

BAPTIST CHURCH

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

The Rev. Carolyn King
Associate Minister, Pastoral Care

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna
Associate Minister, Discipleship

The Rev. Sam Lee
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MORNING WORSHIP – DECEMBER 19, 2010

ADVENT IV

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Preludes Prelude on Divinum Mysterium *T. Frederick H. Candlyn*
 Noël, Op. 60 *Alexandre Guilmant*

Played by Charles Udell

Processional Hymn 104 – O come, all ye faithful (omit vs 3 and 4)
(Adeste Fideles)

Call to Worship **The Rev. Carolyn King**

Lighting of the Advent Candle of Love and Invocation **Tom, Heather, Ava and Hugh**

Introit – Lullaby *Nancy Telfer*

Choristers

Jessica Willingham, director

Christel Wiens, piano

The Lord's Prayer **The Rev. Carolyn King**

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*)

Children's Presentation – One King (recording by Point of Grace)

Hymn 734 – Away in a manger (Cradle Song)

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Presented by the children and narrated by

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Gospel Lesson: Luke 2:1-16

Hymn *SHB 8 – Angels we have heard on high

(vs 1 & 2 – please remain seated) (Gloria)

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 2:1-11

Hymn *SHB 8 – Angels we have heard on high

(vs 3 & 4 – please stand) (Gloria)

Children's Song – Go tell it on the mountain

Kay Hayes, piano

Prayer with the Children

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
and the Rev. Sam Lee

The Book of Songs

Rebecca

Hymn 100 – Infant Holy (Infant Holy)

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Choral Response

G. Thalben Ball

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently on Him,
and He shall give thee thy heart's desire. Amen

Announcements and Offering

*So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, Come, peasant, king, to own Him The
King of Kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone Him.*

Anthem – Glory to God in the highest (Messiah)

G.F. Handel

Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth, goodwill towards men.

Dawn King, soprano

Doxology Hymn 766

Sermon – THE LIGHT OF LOVE

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Recessional Hymn *SHB 52 – Joy to the world! (Antioch)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Stanford in B flat)

Postlude Festival

Flor Peeters

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'*

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

*The poinsettias in the Sanctuary 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.*

Today's Greeters are: Fraser Fell, Valerie Gerber and Barbara Smith.

YP Centre Greeters This Week

*(10am-2pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday;
9:30am-1:30pm Tuesday)
Monday – Kay Hayes
Tuesday – Anne Tawadros
Wednesday – Chris Gay
Thursday – Elizabeth Chamberlain
Friday – No one on desk*

To avoid wax dripping on clothes, please sit clear of the candles at the pew ends.

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Childcare offered in the nursery during Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols.
(The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.)

4:15 p.m. **PRELUDES** Joseph est bien marié Claude Balbastre
Hymnus: Creator Alme Siderum Nicholas-Jacques Lemmens

4:30 p.m. **PROCESSIONAL HYMN 106 – Once in royal David's city (Irby)**
(congregation seated until verse 3)

Verse 1 – Courtney Flanagan, Julia Knope;

Verse 2 – Choir; Verse 3 – Congregation stands to join the choir.

THE BIDDING PRAYER – (congregation seated)

The Rev. Carolyn King

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung Amen)

FIRST LESSON – God announces in the Garden of Eden that the seed of woman shall bruise the serpent's head.

Genesis 3: 8-15

Bethany Darroch

arr. Charles Wood

CHOIR: Ding, dong, merrily on high

SECOND LESSON – God promises to faithful Abraham that in his seed shall all the nations of earth be blessed.

Genesis 22: 15-18

Sarah Florio

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN 83 - O come, O come, Immanuel (Veni Emmanuel)

THIRD LESSON – Christ's birth and Kingdom are foretold by Isaiah.

Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7

Callum MacKay

arr. Malcolm Archer

CHOIR: The Angel Gabriel

FOURTH LESSON – The prophet Micah foretells the glory of little Bethlehem.

Micah 5: 2-4

The Rev. Sam Lee

CONGREGATION HYMN 105 - O little town of Bethlehem (Forest Green, 718)

FIFTH LESSON – The angel Gabriel salutes the blessed Virgin Mary.

St. Luke 1: 26-35, 38

Carol Roberts

Pierre Villette

CHOIR: Hymne à la Vierge

SIXTH LESSON – St. Luke tells of the birth of Jesus.

St. Luke 2: 1-7

Robert Montgomery

Randall Thompson

CHOIR: Glory to God in the highest

SEVENTH LESSON – The shepherds go to the manger.

St. Luke 2: 8-16

Alana Walker Carpenter

Peter Warlock, arr. R. Crockall

CHOIR: Come to Bethlehem

EIGHTH LESSON – The wise men are led by the star to Jesus.

St. Matthew 2: 1-11

William Maddox

Healey Willan

CHOIR: Here we are in Bethlehem

(The congregation stands for the Ninth Lesson.)

NINTH LESSON – St. John unfolds the great mystery of the Incarnation

St. John 1: 1-14

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN 98

Hark! the herald angels sing (Mendelssohn)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DURING THE OFFERING

Balulalow

Mark Sirett

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

RECESSIONAL HYMN 107 - See amid the winter's snow (Humility)

BENEDICTION

Choral Amen (*Maddox in G*)

POSTLUDE

Final (Symphony I)

Louis Vierne

ART GALLERY

Tracey Lawko

Inspirations in Textile

Ends December 22, 2010 – You're last chance before it's gone...

Our gallery's first fibre artist will set the mood for Christmas. Creemore-based Tracey Lawko creates breathtakingly intricate and rich tapestries. Her subjects come from nature in all its seasons. Through embroidery techniques Lawko depicts berry, flower and field with a tangible three-dimensional allure known as "stumpwork".

You will want to visit this jewel-like exhibition more than once.

The Gallery will be "resting" between December 22 and early January, when we will then install Non-Objective Works by **Margaret Glew**.

A warm welcome to Yorkminster Park! Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and complete one of the Visitor's cards in the pews. 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.

Communications:

- *The morning worship services are available on the church website: www.yorkminsterpark.com and are also recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the desk in the Narthex. Please find the updated YPBC Monthly Prayer Calendar on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.*
- *If you wish to receive regular church email communication, please email the church office and we will register your address.*
- ***The 2011 Offering envelopes, YP Women's envelopes and Link and Visitor envelopes are available for pick up in the Narthex.***
- **2010 Donations**
All donations to be receipted for 2010 must be received by December 31, 2010. This means that they must be either on the offering plate on December 26th or hand-delivered to the church/finance office or postmarked on or before December 31, 2010.
- The Christmas 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.
 - **Christmas Holiday Church Office hours:**
December 27, 2010 – church office closed
December 28, 2010 – church office closed
December 31, 2010 – 8:30 am – 12:00 noon
January 3, 2011 – church office closed

Board of Music

Thanks for the year long gift

The Board of Music would like to thank the musicians of this Church who give us the gift of music, week in and week out, all year long.

Preparing and leading the music for our services of worship is a complex task. We come with different needs and expectations. Some of us come to express the joy of the redeemed, some to ask for healing, some to find hope, some to seek guidance, some to find consolation, some to recharge the determination of a servant, some to plead as penitents, some to express gratitude for the blessings of this life, and some to wonder at the grandeur and mystery of God. Many of us come for all of these reasons and more at some time in the course of the year. Music done well conveys meaning beyond words and enriches our lives and worship. We have much to be thankful for and many to thank.

Our talented and devoted Choir gives generously of both their talent and time. The Choir practices Thursday night at 7:30 and again Sunday at 10:00 and 6:00. It is an unusual week when a choir member, who attends both services on Sunday, does not spend seven hours at the Church. Choir members, particularly the soloists, section leaders, pianists, Director of the Minster Singers and Director of the Choristers spend additional time in preparation. Moreover, our Choir members assist at other services, such as the Homebound Service, and are actively engaged in other programmes of the Church.

This past summer the Music Library was moved to the third floor of Yorkminster Park Centre. We have a lot of "music". It was not an easy task. In addition to our Librarian, Emilja Neufeld, three members of the choir, Tulip Hunte, Marlene MacLuckie and Rob Taylor, provided invaluable assistance. The Board of Music would like to thank them as well as Tim Aikenhead and Gordon Mackay for their work in connection with the new Music Library and the refurbished Choir rooms which will soon lose their 1930s look.

We are fortunate to have a Director of Music and Organist who regards his position as a calling. We value his musicianship and the devotion he brings to his task. Our Minister has been a source of strength and encouragement to us.

Finally, the Board of Music would like to thank the members of the Congregation for their support of the music programme which has been modestly expanded to include the regular use of the piano and more contemporary compositions.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE HYMN?

The Board of Music is planning a hymn sing on January 30, 2011, featuring the best-loved hymns of our congregation. Nominate your favourite hymn(s) using the ballots in the narthex and centre hall or in previous church bulletins. Place completed ballots in the "Favourite Hymn" box on the CD desk in the narthex no later than **TODAY**.

BOARD OF MISSION
IN NEED OF CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS?
HERE ARE SOME HOPE-FULL, OPPORTUNITIES...



AND DISCOVER, ON-LINE, THE EMAS CHRISTMAS CATALOGUE AT www.emascanada.org/giftsofhope.htm
(Education, Medical Aid and Service - Michael Wills)

There are some hard copies of the EMAS Christmas catalogue on the north hall table



EXPLORE THE CBM CATALOGUE "HOPEFUL GIFTS FOR CHANGE"
- on the north hall table

SEND A NEEDY LEBANESE CHILD TO CAMP

Each year the Baptist Children and Youth in Lebanon run several camps. As part of our STEP partnership we would like to suggest donations be made to this ministry at Christmas. Cheques may be made out to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, clearly designating funds for the Baptist Children/Youth Ministry, Lebanon, CBM and placed on offering plate. The cost to send a child to camp is \$100 but any amount is appreciated. Kindly indicate "Camp" on the bottom of the cheque beside Children/Youth Ministry



FOODBANK CONTRIBUTIONS are always welcomed and especially at Christmas. Please find our box in the north hall and help to share Christmas with our neighbours.

Out of the Cold Christmas Treats

Once again we are asking you to help us bring Christmas joy to others less fortunate by providing some nut-free goodies for the Out of the Cold Christmas dinner planned for December 22. Please bring your baked goods to the Heritage Room kitchen between **Today and 22nd**. Please mark the baked goods 'Out of the Cold'.
Your generosity will be greatly appreciated

Service of Comfort and Hope
December 22, 2010, 6:00 p.m.



If, at this Christmas season, you are experiencing feelings of loss or loneliness please join us for a **Service of Comfort and Hope** in the Chapel.
The homily will be given by The Rev. Carolyn King.

Following the service, light refreshments will be served in the Friendship Room by the members of the Health and Wellness Committee.


Please contact Heather Hetherington, Parish Nurse for more information at 416-922-1167 x245 or parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com.

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church in Toronto
<http://www.yorkminsterpark.com/worship/webcast> Google

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
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 Spreading the Good News - Online

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Visit yorkminsterpark.com and click:



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 More Video throughout the site • Rare Archival Audio Sermons • Stained Glass slideshow
 Peter's blog • online prayer requests • volunteer requests • and more
 Visit yorkminsterpark.com today!

YPBC DISCIPLESHIP AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH

DISCIPLESHIP



Discipleship 101 9:45am
 Room 306 Beginning Sunday, January 16, 2011
Discipleship 200 9:45am
 The Library Beginning Sunday, January 16, 2011

The winter session of Discipleship 101 and 200 will begin Sunday, January 16, 2011. Again Discipleship 101 will focus on the basics of our faith and Discipleship 200 will focus on the Fruit of the Spirit: Love, Joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.”
 2 Timothy 2:15

Mooredale Concerts
Sunday, January 16, 2011 3:15pm
 Alain Trudel & Patrick Wedd
 “the Jascha Heifetz of the trombone” with Canada’s stellar organist
 Original works of trombone & organ
 (Liszt, Holst, Messiaen, Guilmant, Schnittke and more)
***Music & Truffles for children at 1:15pm**
 \$30/\$25, M&T \$12
 416-587-9411 www.Mooredaleconcerts.com



The Great Canadian Bible Study, led by Carol Belford,
12:30 p.m. on January 6, 2011. Bring toonies for Tuni.



Candlelight Epiphany
Ancient-Future Worship Service
In the Chapel
Thursday, January 6, 2011
7:30pm

Epiphany, the 12th day after Christmas, is the day on the Christian calendar that celebrates the visit of the three kings or wise men to the Christ Child, signifying the extension of salvation to the Gentiles.

A common epiphany theme is 'manifestation'. Manifestation refers to the act or process through which something made evident or certain by showing or displaying it. The Scripture tells us that the wise men "entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matt. 2:11 NLT) There was something about the effort and experience of Jesus that evoked a response of worship, bowing and giving the most treasured and valued gifts. Christians are called to manifest Christ, so those who see Jesus reflected in our lives will also bow, offering their most treasured gifts, and giving themselves to Christ.

In this contemplative and provocative service, we will pause to worship Jesus, the Saviour of the world and ponder what it means to manifest Christ and consider what is required of each of us in doing so. Join us Thursday, January 6, 2011 at 7:30 PM in the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Chapel, as we engage with the Triune God through ancient, traditional, and contemporary worship expressions and identify how to '*know Christ and make Him known*'.

Contact Alan Brisco at 647-869-1619, for further information.

Baptism

If you are interested in being baptized,
please speak with one of the ministers.

A baptismal service will take place in late January 2011.

YP WOMEN



It's time to renew your subscriptions for 2011 for \$20. Please make cheques payable to YP Women L&V and place on the offering plate. Consider a gift subscription of L&V for a loved one. Gift cards are available.



*Stimulating. Satisfying.
Tantalizing. Delicious.
Chocolate is that sweet*

"something extra" that infuses anything ordinary with delectable flavor and zest. In the same way, loving friendships can sweeten a woman's life and make almost any situation — good or bad — taste even better. Blending true stories and several original chocolate recipes with rich biblical examples, Karen Porter explores eight ways that friends can help one another enjoy life — and point each other to the God who made every good and perfect gift — especially chocolate!

A limited number of books will be available for purchase at the Retreat

A RETREAT FOR WOMEN OF ALL AGES AND YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED!

**WHEN: SATURDAY JANUARY 15
9:30 am to 3:30 pm**

TOPIC:

**"I'LL BRING THE CHOCOLATE" -
Satisfying a Woman's Craving for
Friendship and Faith**

LED BY: The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

**LOCATION: 33 Harbour Square -
Party Room, 35th floor -
SW corner of Queen's Quay
and Bay Street**

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$25.00
Lunch and Light Refreshment Included**

Please find registration forms on the Centre Hall bulletin board and in the Narthex and return with payment (cash or cheque) to Diane Letsche, Rhoda Hill or Ellen Branscombe or the Church office

by **Wednesday January 12.**
Cheques may be made out to
YPBC Women.

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Advent
&
Christmas
at
Yorkminster Park
Baptist Church



Sunday, Dec. 12 – Advent III

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
White Gifts Sunday
4:30 p.m. Carols by Candlelight

Saturday, Dec. 18

2:00 p.m. CP24/CHUM
Christmas Wish Carol Sing

Sunday, Dec. 19 – Advent IV

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
Christmas Sunday Service
4:30 p.m. Festival of Nine Lessons
and Carols

Wednesday, Dec. 22

6:00 p.m. Service of Comfort & Hope

Friday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m. 'Bethlehem on Yonge'
Outdoor Service – Live Nativity with Animals

11:15 p.m. Christmas Eve
Candlelight Service

Saturday, Dec. 25 Christmas

10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Communion

Sunday, Dec. 26

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
No Evening Service

Friday, Dec. 31

11:15 p.m. New Year's Eve
Watchnight Service

BUNDLE UP FOR

Bethlehem ON *Yonge*

CHRISTMAS EVE LIVE NATIVITY with ANIMALS

Friday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve - 5:00 p.m.
Outdoors in the Park at Yorkminster Park

Hot Chocolate and Carol singing indoors with the Minster Singers
For more information call 416-922-1167

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19 TO SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Sunday

- 10:00am
- Interactive Bible Study, 3rd Boardroom
 - Senior High Youth Class, Youth Zone
- 10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 years old
- 11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
*Classes for toddlers to junior high after the children's prayer
- 4:30pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Childcare provided for children

Monday to Friday

Meals on Wheels

Tuesday

- 10-3pm Open Door, Narthex
- 12:30pm Men's Basketball
- 5:30pm Board of Trustees, 3rd Floor Boardroom

Wednesday

- 10-12:30pm Open Door, Narthex
- 6:00pm Out of the Cold, Heritage Room and Gym
- 6:00pm Service of Comfort and Hope, Sanctuary and Friendship Room

Thursday

- 10-3pm Open Door, Narthex
- 12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym
- 7:00pm Brentwood- Toronto (AA), Heritage Room

Friday

- 5:00pm Bethlehem on Yonge Family Service, Outside, Sanctuary and Cameron Hall
- 11:15pm Candlelight Service, Sanctuary

Saturday

- 10:30pm Christmas Day Communion Service, Sanctuary

NEXT SUNDAY

- 10:00am Senior High Youth Class, Youth Zone
- 11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
No 7pm Service

