APRIL 3, 2011

LENT IV



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MORNING WORSHIP - APRIL 3, 2011

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Preludes O God, hear my sighing

Johann Ludwig Krebs

John Leavitt

Meine seele erhebt den Herren

Johann Sebastian Bach

Processional Hymn 37 – **Ye servants of God** (Laudate Dominum)

Call to Worship The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Introit – A Festival Sanctus
Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth,

Sancius, Sancius, Dominus Deus Sabaoin.

Hosanna Deo in excelsis.

Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domine.

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts Hosanna to God in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Minster Singers

Dawn King, director; Christel Wiens, piano

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

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)

Hymn SHB 121 - Worship His Majesty (Majesty)

Prayer with the Children

The Book of Songs

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Ava

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Scripture - Psalm 23 (OT p.553)

John 9:1-7, 35-41 (NT p.105-107)

Stuart Campbell

Pastoral Prayer

Announcements

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The Rev. Carolyn King

Choral Response

G. Thalben Ball

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee. Amen.

Offering

Anthem – Expectans, expectavi

Charles Wood

This sanctuary of my soul, unwitting I keep white and whole, Unlatch'd and lit, if thou should'st care to enter or to tarry there, With parted lips and outstretch'd hands, and listening ears thy servant stands, Call thou early, call thou late, to thy great service dedicate, My soul keep white and whole.

Doxology Hymn 766

Sermon – BUT NOW I SEE

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Hymn 20 – O Love that wilt not let me go (St. Margaret)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

An Act of Remembrance

Choral Preparation – Kyrie eleison (Mass of St. Thomas)

Robert Fleming

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Distribution of the Elements

Recessional Hymn 493 – Blessed assurance (Blessed assurance)

Benediction The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen (Stanford in Bb)

Postlude Cortège Louis Vierne

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"

Today's Greeters are: Carol Belford, Norm Hubley and Straughn Inman

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

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

LAWRENCE (LAURIE) CHAMBERLAIN

By Elizabeth

In Remembrance Mary Williams

The Easter lily order forms are available on the Narthex, Centre Hall and South tables.
The deadline for submission is **April 10**.

ART GALLERY

Douglas Brown – New Works. This architect chooses watercolour as the means of recommendations.



This architect chooses watercolour as the means of recording his interest in the maturing and recycling of buildings and their contribution to both urban and rural landscape

The show runs for the month of April Reception TODAY from 12:30-2:30pm.



Laser Quest

April 8th \$25 for 3 games & pizza! Drop off: 7pm @ Church Pick up: 10-10:30pm @ Church

DOXA

Doxa Youth Worship

April 10 in Cameron Hall

Theme: The Blessings of Death
*Worship Band * Audio Video Extravaganza *
Interactive
Snacks after service

'More Than Enough' Children's Mission Project

A joint project sponsored by the Board of Mission and Children's Ministries

We are delighted to report that as of March 30 over \$3000 has been given in support of Children's Camps in Lebanon.

The campaign for the mission project has ended and we welcome any further gifts today or in the next week. If you are giving cash, please hand it directly to Miriam Little or a Sunday School teacher. If you are giving a cheque, please mark it for "Children's Ministry Mission Project – Camps in Lebanon" or use a specially marked envelope (found in the Centre Hall) and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for your care for needy children.

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Your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad
His wonderful name;
The name all-victorious
Of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious,
And rules over all.

2 God ruleth on high,
Almighty to save;
And still He is nigh,
His presence we have;
The great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation
To Jesus our King.

3 "Salvation to God
Who sits on the throne",
Let all cry aloud,
And honour the Son;
The praises of Jesus
The angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces,
And worship the Lamb.

4 Then let us adore,
And give Him His right,—
All glory and power,
All wisdom and might;
All honour and blessing,
With angels above;
And thanks never-ceasing,
And infinite love.

Worship His Majesty



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O LOVE that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee; I give Thee back the life I owe, That in Thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

- 2 O Light that followest all my way,
 I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
 My heart restores its borrowed ray,
 That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
 May brighter, fairer be.
- 3 O Joy that seekest me through pain,
 I cannot close my heart to Thee;
 I trace the rainbow through the rain,
 And feel the promise is not vain
 That morn shall tearless be.
- 4 O Cross that liftest up my head,
 I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
 I lay in dust life's glory dead,
 And from the ground there blossoms red
 Life that shall endless be.

George Matheson, 1842-1906.

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BLESSED assurance, Jesus is mine:
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God;
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture burst on my sight; Angels descending, bring from above Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Saviour am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Frances van Alstyne, 1820-1915.

COMMUNICATIONS

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. The 'Welcome' packages in the pews are available for you to take to find out more about the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church community. 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.

The morning worship services are webcast 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 YPBC Monthly and Weekly Prayer Calendars on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables. For more information about the Church or to read the Minister's blog, please visit the website. To receive "Peter's Blogs" as they are posted to the web, please click 'RSS feed' on the left hand side of the blog page on the website. Please click on "what is an RSS feed' if you wish to learn more about this wonderful communication tool. If you are unable to go on the Lenten Pilgrimage and have online capabilities, you will be able to follow the 'tour' on Twitter – www.twitter.com/YorkminsterPark

The March Edition of the YP News is available online, in the Narthex, Centre Hall and South tables.

Large-print Calendars and Bibles are available at the Narthex information table.



Hearing assistance available.

Please speak with our volunteer at the Narthex Information table.

If you wish to receive regular church email communication, please email the church office at office@yorkminsterpark.com and we will register your address

Please deliver notices for the calendar to the Church Office no later than **Tuesday morning.**

Copies of recent congregational emails and Peter's blogs are available on the Centre Hall, Heath Street and Narthex tables

FOR YOUR READING PLEASURE....

The CBWOQ Recommended Reading books are now available at the Gladstone Library in the Centre Hall. Our thanks to Randall Speller for cataloguing these for us. Also please see poster with all the book titles, on the centre hall bulletin board. (YPBC Women's Ministries)

"Questions Christians Ask" - A DVD featuring Dr. A. Leonard Griffith We will be honoured to have him here on April 10 and DVDs will be available at that time for pick up and purchase.

Safety First

Parents want to know who is coming and going from the institutions that take care of their children. Here at church we want to be sure our children are safe. Being a downtown church on the subway line, we are vulnerable to visitors who may not have the children's best interest in mind.

To facilitate safety, new door hardware has been installed in the lower corridors at the North end of the building. This enables us to lock the doors of entry into the Children's Ministry area. From the time that children are dropped off for Choristers by parents (10 a.m.) until the end of the service, entry will be restricted with some doors being locked. The three doors affected are the doors at either end of the corridor alongside the gym and the door at the base of the west stairs descending from Cameron Hall. Entry into the children's area is easily made through the door by the elevator and wheel chair accessible washroom. This door is NOT locked at any time but this area is monitored.

'Safety first' isn't always convenient and we apologize to all who may be inconvenienced by the new system.



Blessings of the Cross: A Lenten Bible Study Based on the Revised Common Lectionary

Robert Martin Walker, Author

"The Blessings of Blindness"
The Fourth Sunday in Lent
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9

The people of God enter this fourth week of self-examination and must admit "we suffer from various kinds of blindness." (pg. 31) We are therefore called to allow the cross of Jesus to open our eyes and see ourselves as God sees us, **as sinners in need of a Saviour**. In First Samuel the prophet's 'blindness' is corrected when God makes it clear the old standard of great physical stature and strength displayed in Saul has been rejected and a new standard of a heart inclined to God has been put in its place. The new standard includes the rejection of the Jesse's first born and the passing over of all of the other sons. God's choice is the youngest son David.

In the letter to the church in Ephesians the message of blindness comes through the theme of darkness and light. To be 'darkness' is to be in sin and to be 'light' is to have accepted the saving grace of Jesus Christ and turned away from sin. Our author reminds us that we each have "personal blind spots as well, areas of our self that we cannot or will not see" (pg. 34) and calls us to confess our sins and receive the "healing light of God's forgiveness." (pg. 35)

The Gospel account of the man healed of his blindness brings the impairment of our spiritual blindness and refusal to accept that healing face to face. It not a difficult task to find ourselves as either the man healed, his parents or the 'good church people' represented by the Pharisees. We can often "make up our minds on the basis of insufficient or flawed information" (pg. 36) causing us to dig in our heels and refuse to see. We are called upon during this Lenten season to begin to look at people, situations and policies, the way that God looks at them and see that all of us have imperfections and shortcomings and God loves us, forgives us and welcomes each of us to participate in the great work of God demonstrated by Jesus Christ.

If you are not in a Lenten Study Group, you may still study along with us by contacting the Rev. Cheryle Hanna at 416-922-1167 x235.

Readings for next Sunday and for the fifth week of the Lenten Study

These readings will be used in our worship next Sunday and in the weekly Lenten Bible Studies.

Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalm 130 Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45



An opportunity to serve...

Habitat for Humanity build on **Saturday, May 14** from 8am to 4pm. Anyone 16 years old and over is welcome — No experience or tools required. Carpooling will be available. Kindly indicate your interest by signing the sheet on the Centre Hall table. For further information, please contact Marlene MacLuckie at 416-291-4542.

YP Centre Greeters This Week (10am-2pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:30am-1:30pm Tuesday)

> Monday – Shirley Vardon Tuesday – Margaret Gray Wednesday – Joy Bartlett Thursday – Jennie Pyper Friday – Bob Coburn

25th Annual Neighbourhood Inter Faith Dinner Wednesday, May 11, 5:45 p.m. for 6:30 p.m.

At Yorkminster Park Baptist Church
Speaker: Rev. Dr. Andrew J.B. Stirling
"Embracing The Things That Unite Us"
Tickets \$50
Can be purchased from
Charles Smedmore (416-932-2645)
or the Church Office

COMMUNION PREPARATION -

Volunteers Needed
Volunteers are needed to help prepare
the bread and juice for the
Sacrament of Communion which is
served on the 1st Sunday morning and
3rd Sunday
evening each month.
To volunteer or for more information,
please speak with Ron Wakelin
416-461-1209.

Cookin Up A Cure

The Sanfilippo Children's Research Foundation
11th Annual Gala Dinner & Auction
April 7, at the Paramount Event Centre, Vaughn
Started by the family of Len and Norma Linton
For more information:http://www.alifeforelisa.org/scrf_events/gala/

UPDATE ON BARB FULLER...

Barb sends her greetings to YPBC and writes that it's not easy moving to a totally new community where she has no network. "But God has been faithful and slowly my new life is beginning to unfold." She is delighted to be living within walking distance of the residence where her mom is being cared for in palliative care. Barb reports that her mom was able to rally for her 92nd birthday celebration!

Please pray for Barb as she explores different viable work options and continues to minister to her mom.

Barb's current address is 14244 Malabar Ave. White Rock, BC V4B 2Y3

For more information, please find a copy of Barb's newsletter on the bulletin board in the Centre Hall.

I would like to thank all the people who prayed for me and brought me food and sent cards after my knee operation. Thank You very much. God Bless You, *Donna Willett*

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 3 TO SUNDAY APRIL 10

Sunday

Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room 9:15am 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room Senior High Class, Youth Zone 9:45am Discipleship 101, 3rd Floor Boardroom - "Don't Bury Your Gifts" 9:45am 10:00am Choristers, Room 103 Lenten Cell Group, Room 304 10:10am SPARK Children's Ministry, Friendship Room 10:15am 10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 years old The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – Holy Communion 11:00am (Classes for toddlers to junior high after the Children's Prayer) 12:15pm Doxa Youth Worship Team Practice, Cameron Hall 7:00pm The Rev. Cheryle Hanna – An Iona Liturgy

Monday to Friday

Meals on Wheels

<u>Monday</u>

12:00pm Lenten Cell Group, 3rd Floor Boardroom

Tuesday

9:30am Prayers in the Chapel
10:00am – 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex
10:00am Dorcas, Room 103
10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym

7:00pm Nicotine Anonymous, Room 304

Wednesday

10:00am to 12:30pm: Open Door, Narthex

12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital: *Thomas Fitches* 6:00pm Out of the Cold, Heritage Room and Gym 7:00pm Genesis Bible Study, Friendship Room

Thursday

10:00am - 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex

10:00am YP Women Board Meeting, 3rd Floor Boardroom

11:40am Youth Lunch Drop-in, Youth Zone and Gym

12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym

7:00pm Brentwood-Toronto (AA), Heritage Room

7:30pm Senior Choir, Cameron Hall

Friday

7:00pm Recreational Volleyball, Gym

7:00pm Youth outing, offsite

Saturday

12pm - 4pm Art Gallery Open

Next Sunday

9:15am	Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room
9:45am	Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room
9:45am	Senior High Class, Youth Zone
9:45am	Discipleship 101, 3rd Floor Boardroom – "Baptist, YP and You"
10:00am	Choristers, Room 103
10:10am	Lenten Cell Group, Room 304
10:15am	SPARK Children's Ministry, Friendship Room
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
11:00am	Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall
12:15pm	Young Adults Planning Meeting, Room 304
7:00pm	The Rev. Carolyn King

Men's Lunch Group – April 14, 12:30pm at the Fox and Fiddle RSVP to Denise Byard in the Church Office at 416-922-1167 x221.

Easter at Yorkminster Park

April 19, 7:30pm– Rev. Dr. Brian Haymes

April 20, 7:30pm in Cameron Hall – The Passion of Christ in Art: From Grief to Victory (A visual meditation of Christ's passion)

April 21, 7:30pm in the Sanctuary – Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service

April 22, 11am – Good Friday Service

April 24, 8am - Sunrise Service

April 24, 11am – Easter Service

YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH





Each year at Easter, the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Women decorate the Sanctuary of our Church with Easter flowers. Donations made to the flower fund at this time in memory of loved ones will enable you to participate not only in this floral celebration at Easter, but also in the beautification of the Sanctuary throughout the year.

To ensure enough time to prepare the Memorial List for the Easter calendar, please complete the form below and either place it on the offering plate OR leave it in the Church Office.

*** DEADLINE: SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2011 ***

A SEPARATE SHEET IS NEEDED FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMORIAL

Cheques (\$15 for each individual memorial) should be made payable to YORKMINSTER PARK WOMEN.

Easter plants will be delivered by volunteer drivers on Easter Monday to members confined to home or in hospital. The Flower Committee needs volunteer drivers. To help, please call Kay Hayes at (416) 447-9416.

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In memory of	PLEASE PRINT	
My name to appe	ear as	
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PHONE	AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$	
	Please indicate method of payment	
	Please enclose order form(s) with cheque or cash in an envelope marked "Easter Flowers"	

MUSIC PASSIONTIDE

PALM SUNDAY April 17, 4:30 p.m.

The Yorkminster Park Choir

with strings and organ will present
Jhesu Christ, Saint Mary Sone (George Oldroyd),
Stabat Mater (Josef G. Rheinberger),
O Vos Omnes (Pablo Casals)
and hymns of the season.

Freewill offering