APRIL 17, 2011

LENT VI PALM SUNDAY



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

The Rev. Carolyn King Associate Minister, Pastoral Care

The Rev. Sam Lee Assistant Minister, Youth

Mrs. Miriam Little Director of Children's Ministry

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna Associate Minister, Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox B.Mus, FTCL Director of Music

> Mrs. Heather Hetherington Parish Nurse

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MORNING WORSHIP – APRIL 17, 2011

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Preludes Chorale and Fugue

Healey Willan

Ach Herr, mit armen sunder

Dietrich Buxtehude

Played by Charles Udell

Processional Hymn 114 – **All glory, laud and honour** (St. Theodulph)

Call to Worship Psalm 118:19-24

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Introit - Heavenly Light

Alexander Kopylov

Sent from Heaven, thy rays were given on great and small to shine, O Light Divine! May each soul in sorrow's night, see the heavenly light! Thou blessing to all creation, lead us to our salvation! All those whose feet may falter, lead unto the sacred altar! Oh, shine from above, Divine Light of love! Show us the way unto our God, we pray! Thou our beacon and guide shalt be! Light Divine, we praise Thee!

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 735 – Children of Jerusalem (Infant Praise)

Prayer with the Children

Announcements

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
Hannah

The Book of Songs

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Presentation of Ministry Symbols

Kevin Carpenter, Chair of the Board of Deacons

A Prayer of Blessing – On the Sabbatical of Dr. Holmes and the Ministry of Dr. Haymes

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna & The Rev. Carolyn King

Scripture – Matthew 21:1-11 (NT p.23)

The Rev. Dr. Brian Haymes

Hymn *SHB 70 – My Lord, you wore no royal crown (O Waly, Waly)

Sermon – WHO IS THIS?

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Carolyn King

Choral Response

G. Thalben Ball

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently on Him, and He shall give thee thy heart's desire. Amen **Offering** – *O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever.(Ps 118:1)*

Anthem – Daughters of Zion (Christus)

Felix Mendelssohn

Daughters of Zion, weep for yourselves and your children, For surely the days are coming when they shall exclaim to the mountains: Fall down on us! and to the hills: Hide us! Daughters of Zion, weep for yourselves and your children.

Doxology Hymn 766

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Hymn 443 – Just as I am (vs 1-3) (Woodworth)

Words of Introduction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Prayer

The Rev. Sam Lee

Choral Preparation – Come, Holy Ghost

Veni, Creator Spiritus

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire. (Text at Hymn 226)

Following the Baptism of each candidate,

the congregations shall remain seated and sing one verse of the hymn as indicated below

Sakasha Hewitt (vs. 4), Emily Knope (vs. 5), Emma Speller (vs 6)

Following the singing of verse 6, the congregation shall rise and sing together:

Blessing and honour and glory and power be unto Him that sitteth on the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever. Amen.

Recessional Hymn *SHB 84 – Ride on! Ride on in majesty! (Winchester New)

Benediction The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen (Maddox in G minor)

Postlude Prelude in G minor

Gabriel Pierné

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: Harold Hetherington, Doug Obright and Al Sablatnig.

TODAY AT 4:30PM - MUSIC FOR PASSIONTIDE

We are honoured and delighted to welcome Brian and Jenny Haymes back to Yorkminster Park. Dr. Haymes will be offering leadership to the ministerial team and preaching at both morning and evening services during the first two months of Dr. Holmes' sabbatical.

Brian came to faith in Sutton Baptist Church, Surrey, England through the ministry of a Boy's Brigade class. He went on to study for the ministry at Bristol Baptist College and upon graduation, married Jenny who has been a tremendous source of support in his ministry. They have two daughters, Debby and Vicky, and grandchildren. Brian has served as President of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, as pastor of a number of Britain's leading Baptist churches and as a professor and principal of two Baptist seminaries in the U.K. He is a man of great pastoral skill who preaches with integrity and passion. Brian is also a man of profound theological reflection who has authored several books. Though Baptist by both upbringing and conviction, we have come to know Brian at Yorkminster Park as someone who is also blessed with a rich ecumenical outlook and spirit. He is indeed a servant of Christ who is blessed with a humble spirit and balanced outlook on the Christian life.

He will be preaching at both morning and evening services from May 8 to June 26. He will also be preaching on Tuesday evening and Thursday evening during Holy Week. He will be using Dr. Holmes' study during these two months while he is with us and will be available for pastoral support. Please keep Brian and Jenny in your prayers during this time.

MATT. xxi. 9.

ALL glory, laud, and honour
To Thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.
Thou art the King of Israel,
Thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest,
The King and blessèd one.

- Are praising Thee on high,
 And mortal men and all things
 Created make reply.
 The people of the Hebrews
 With palms before Thee went;
 Our praise and prayer and anthems
 Before Thee we present.
- They sang their hymns of praise;
 To Thee now high exalted
 Our melody we raise.
 Thou didst accept their praises;
 Accept the prayers we bring,
 Who in all good delightest,
 Thou good and gracious King.

CHILDREN of Jerusalem
Sang the praise of Jesus' name:
Children, too, of modern days,
Join to sing the Saviour's praise.

Hark! While children's voices sing
Loud hosannas to our King.

- We are taught to love the Lord, We are taught to read His word, We are taught the way to heaven: Praise for all to God be given.
- 3 Parents, teachers, old and young, All unite to swell the song; Higher and yet higher rise, Till hosannas reach the skies.

John Henley, 1800-42.

My Lord, you wore no royal crown



- 1. My Lord, you wore no royal crown; You did not wield the powers of state, nor did you need a scholar's gown or priestly robe to make you great.
- 2. You did not live a world away in hermit's cell or desert cave, but felt our pain and shared each day with those you came to seek and save.
- 3. You came unequalled, undeserved, to be what we were meant to be: to serve, instead of being served--a Light for all the world to see.
- 4. So, when I stumble, set me right; command my life as you require; let all your gifts be my delight and you, my Lord, my one desire.

JUST as I am—without one plea, But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bidd'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

- 2 Just as I am—and waiting not
 To rid my soul of one dark blot,
 To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot,
 O Lamb of God, I come.
- 3 Just as I am—though tossed about With many a conflict, many a doubt, Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come.
- 4 Just as I am—poor, wretched, blind; Sight, riches, healing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come.
- 5 Just as I am—Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve: Because Thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.
- 6 Just as I am—Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down; Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.
- 7 Just as I am—of that free love
 The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
 Here for a season, then above,
 O Lamb of God, I come.

Ride on, ride on in majesty

- Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 Hark! All the tribes 'Hosanna!' cry;
 Saviour meek, pursue Thy road
 With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2. Ride on! Ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die;O Christ, Thy triumphs now beginO'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3. Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 The wing-ed squadrons of the sky
 Look down with sad and wondering eyes
 To see the approaching sacrifice.
- 4. Ride on! Ride on in majesty! Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh; The Father on His sapphire throne Awaits His own annointed Son.
- 5. Ride on! Ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die;
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 And take, O God, Thy power, and reign.

ART GALLERY



Douglas Brown - New Watercolour Landscapes

This architect chooses watercolour as the means of recording his interest in the maturing and recycling of buildings and their contribution both rural landscape. to urban and The show runs for the month of April. .

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.

Follow us on Twitter - www.twitter.com/YorkminsterPark

The March Edition of the YP News is available online, and 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

MEMORIAL FLOWERS

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

By Bob and family

EDITH MARY JEFFERIES

May 13-14

YPBC is hosting the 30 Hour Famine with Toronto Youth Network! Includes: Games and worship Please contact Sam to sign up!



HOT CROSS BUNS - FUNDRAISER

In the Centre Hall across from the Art Gallery. The cost is \$5.00 for 4 to a box. -Men's Baking Group



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

Robert Martin Walker, Author

"The Blessings of the Cross"

The Sixth Sunday in Lent Isaiah 50: 4-9a Philippians 2:5-11 Matthew 27:11-54

Over the weeks of Lent we have viewed many things as blessings, tests, risks, thirst, blindness and death, each becoming more personal and more difficult to bear. Now we are asked to consider the blessings of the cross, not just any cross but the cross on which Jesus was crucified. The cross is a symbol of new life brought through the self-giving, self-sacrificing love of God in Jesus Christ. In his *Dynamics of Faith*, Paul Tillich makes four important points: 1) Symbols have one characteristic in common with signs; they point beyond themselves to something else. 2) The symbol participates in that to which it points. 3) A symbol opens up levels of reality which otherwise are closed to us and unlocks dimensions and elements of our soul which correspond to the dimensions and elements of reality. 4) Symbols grow out of the individual or collective unconscious and therefore cannot be invented. As an ultimate sign and symbol of God's love for us the cross meets and exceeds each of these requirements.

As disciples of Jesus Christ we are called to view the cross of Christ and to look for our own crosses and carry them with dignity and courage. In the passage in Isaiah, the four servant songs provide a look at the life of a servant of God. Whether an individual, a nation or a group this servant endures the suffering experienced with the confidence of God's presence. The servant does not complain nor try to 'wiggle out,' but "trusts that he is doing so in service to God" (pg. 48). The author's comparison to a restaurant server brings home the difference we feel when treated well or ill when we dine out. Let's pray that others' time with us will produce happy feelings and not dread.

In the text in Philippians the apostle wishes followers of Christ share the humility and self-giving love that God has for us. Like the good prayer, the hymn (in the text) ascends into heaven and descends to work, live and love in the world. We pray and leave pauses and spaces for God to enter in and commune with us; thereby filling us with peace and joy. We are empty pitchers before a full fountain, and Christ the living water quenches and satisfies.

The gospel lesson leaves nothing to our imaginations, sharing with us the deep pain and sadness of the trial, torture and death of an innocent man. Yet, this is also the story of the trial, torture and death of God's only son, Jesus. We are given the ultimatum and called to learn and follow. "It is difficult for us to believe that the way to genuine and authentic life is to bear the cross of self-giving, because it is counterintuitive. " (pg. 53) But try it and trust God, this really works!

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

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

Jeremiah 31:1-6 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Colossians 3:1-4, Acts 10:34-43 John 20:1-18 Matthew 28:1-10

The Passion of Christ

From Grief to Victory:
A Visual Meditation on Christ's Passion

Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. in Cameron Hall

Tom Hayes will present a visual meditation on the Passion of Christ portrayed in paintings.



Peter Paul Rubens, the 'Coup de Lance', a drawing



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 Smedmor (416-932-3735)

or the Church Office Please RSVP by May 6.



Habitat for Humanity Toronto Build - Saturday, May 14 from 8am to 4pm Don't miss this opportunity to serve while enjoying fun and fellowship. If you have already signed up or would like to, please see Marlene MacLuckie at the Centre Hall table following the service or contact at 416-291-4542 for information packages and waivers.



2011 Ontario Prayer Breakfast Thursday, May 26, 2011, 7:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

The Fairmont Royal York hotel 100 Front Street W., Toronto, ON M5J 1E3

Guest Speaker: *Brian Stewart*Musical Guest: *Steve Bell*

Tickets: \$500 for a table of 10 or \$50 each Please contact Alana Walker Carpenter at

<u>alana.walker@intriciti.ca</u> to reserve a table or to reserve a ticket

at the Yorkminster Park Table.

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 at 416-461-1209

YP Centre Greeters This Week

(10am-2pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:30am-1:30pm Tuesday)

Monday – Isabel Robertson Tuesday – Anne Tawadros Wednesday – Jennifer D'Asari Thursday – Betty Ivison Friday – Closed

Nominations for Members of Boards

Church Elections 2011-12

The Nominating Committee invites members of Yorkminster Park Baptist Church to submit nominations for election to the five Standing Boards of the Church. **Only members of the Church may nominate people to the Boards, or be nominated.** Each nomination must be submitted in writing and include the Nominee's Statement of Agreement to Serve if elected. Appropriate nomination forms are available in the Narthex and the Centre Hall. Nominations must be submitted to the Chair of the Nominating Committee or left at the Church Office **by 12:30 p.m. Sunday April 24, 2011**. No nominations may be made from the floor at the Church Business Meeting on May 15, 2011.

The number of members to be elected and the terms for which they will serve are:

Chair of the CongregationOne Year

Vice-Chair of the Congregation

One Year

Board of Deacons

Board of Finance and Administration

Board of Christian Education

Board of Music

Board of Mission

7 members for a three-year term
4 members for a three-year term
4 members for a three-year term
4 members for a three-year term
2 members for a two-year term
1 member for a one-year term

Elaine Snider

Chair, Nominating Committee

'More Than Enough' Children's Mission Project

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

THANK YOU, on behalf of needy children and youth, for supporting camps in Lebanon. The Children's and Youth Department of our STEP partner, *the Lebanese Society for Education and Social Development (LSESD)* runs these camps to help children who come from very difficult situations. The Grand Total we have collected is \$3,825.31! That will be a tremendous help to our partner.

Thank you for your care.

FROM THE BOARD OF MISSION...

ANSWER TO PRAYER - BARB FULLER...

STONECROFT^{IM}

We are delighted to learn that Barb has just been appointed as the Field Ministries Director for Stonecroft Ministries, Canada.

Stonecroft is a ministry primarily by and for women and its focus is on connecting women with God and with one another through neighbourhood Bible studies, special events, young mothers' groups, Christian women's clubs and new initiatives being developed all the time. Barb will have the liberty to work from home in BC with regular visits to the Stonecroft head office in Edmonton. Thank you so much for your prayers!

AN UPCOMING URGENT NEED FOR CHILDREN'S HEART PROJECT – SAMARITAN'S PURSE...



Samaritan's Purse is bringing little Jargaltegsh from Mongolia to be treated at Sick Kids Hospital on May 9. Her anticipated stay is through to June 21. She weighs 20 lbs and is 32 1/2 inches tall and her medical situation is urgent.

Samaritan's Purse continues to seek a host church and family who feel drawn

to bless Jargaltegsh, her mom and interpreter by hosting them and sharing the love of Christ with them. Please make this a matter of prayer. If this need somehow stirs in you a draw to be a host, please contact Theresa Shoemaker, Regional Host Coordinator, Children's Heart Project, Samaritan's Purse (North Carolina) as soon as possible at: 828-278-1293 or tshoemaker@samaritan.org

Also, please contact Jonanne Fenton at:

<u>jonanne_fenton@hotmail.com</u> or 905-625-2466 so that we can be aware as a church congregation of your ministry to this family.

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 17 TO SUNDAY, APRIL 24

<u>Sunday</u>

Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room 9:15am 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room 9:45am Senior High Class, Youth Zone Discipleship 101, 3rd Floor Boardroom – "The Word" 9:45am Choristers, Room 103 10:00am 10:10am Lenten Cell Group, Room 304 SPARK Children's Ministry, Friendship Room 10:15am 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 Music for Passiontide

Monday to Friday

Meals on Wheels

Monday

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

<u>Tuesday</u>

9:30am Prayers in the Chapel
10:00am – 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex
10:00am Needlework Guild AGM, Cameron Hall
10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym
6:00pm Board of Mission, Library
7:00pm Nicotine Anonymous, Room 304

7:30pm Holy Week Service with Rev. Dr. Brian Haymes, Chapel

Wednesday

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

Noonday Organ Recitals resume May 4

7:30pm The Passion of Christ in Art: From Grief to Victory

(A visual meditation of Christ's passion), Cameron Hall

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Thursday

10:00am – 3:00pm: Open Door, Narthex

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

12:30pm Men's Basketball, Gym

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

7:00pm Senior Choir, Cameron Hall

7:30pm Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, Sanctuary

Friday

11:00am Good Friday Service – The Sacrament of Holy Communion

12:15pm Churches on-the-Hill Walk

12:00pm Advance polls, Gym

Saturday

8:00am Men's baking Group, Heritage Room Kitchen

12pm – 4pm Art Gallery Open12:00pm Advance polls, Gym

Next Sunday

HELP NEEDED FOR EASTER BREAKFAST

Please contact Kim Aikenhead at 416-487-2629 for more information and to volunteer

8:00am Sunrise Service - The Rev. Cheryle Hanna, Sanctuary
9:15am Minster Singers Rehearsal, Heritage Room
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Board Room

9:45am Senior High Class, Youth Zone

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 – *Easter Service*

No 7pm service

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

GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SERVICES

at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church

April 22 - Good Friday

11am Service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion followed by Churches on-the-Hill Walk

April 24 - Easter Sunday 8am Sunrise Service and 11am Morning Service

For a full list of Holy Week services, or to view our weekly

Webcast services visit www.yorkminsterpark.com





1585 Yonge St. at Heath St. - 1 block north of St. Clair Ave. The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes • William Maddox, Director of Music

