**MARCH 17, 2013** 





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

The Rev. Dale Rose Minister of Pastoral Care

> The Rev. Sam Lee Minister of Youth

Mrs. Miriam Little Director of Children's Ministries The Rev. Cheryle Hanna Minister of Discipleship

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

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**MORNING WORSHIP - MARCH 17, 2013** 

The service of worship begins with the music of the preludes.

Waltz in A minor, Op. 34, No. 2 **Preludes** 

Frederic Chopin Frederic Chopin

Prelude in C# minor, Op. 45 Berceuse (in D flat), Op. 57

Frederic Chopin

Played by Don Deathe, piano

**Processional Hymn 150 – We sing the praise of Him who died** (Warrington)

**Responsive Call to Worship** 

The Rev. Dale Rose

Minister: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

People: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy; then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great

things for them."

Minister: The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

People: Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

Minister: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

People: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

Minister: Let us worship God

Introit - The Cross A. F. Barnes

In the cross is safety; in the cross is life.

In the cross protection from our foes.

In the cross is sweetness poured upon us from above. In the cross is spiritual joy; in the cross the sum of virtue.

In the cross is holiness in perfect beauty.

**Invocation and The Lord's Prayer** (sung Amen)

The Rev. Dale Rose

(Please see inside front cover of the hymn book.)

**Hymn 749 – Jesus loves me** (Jesus loves me)

Ewan & The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes **Prayer with the Children & The Mystery Box** 

**Announcements** 

**Presentation of Parish Nurse** Gordon MacKay, Chair of Deacons **Kathy Condie, Chair of Search Committee** 

**Prayer of Dedication** The Rev. Dale Rose **Cathy Newman** 

**Holy Scripture – Isaiah 43:16-21** (OT p. 746)

**Luke 13:6-17** (NT p.77-8)

**Pastoral Prayer** The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

C. M. Palmer **Choral Response** 

O let my prayer enter into thy presence; incline thine ear unto my calling. Amen.

**Offering -** For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Anthem - Thy Kingdom come

Mark Sirett

Text at hymn 398. Christel Wiens, piano

**Doxology** Hymn 766

Hymn 141 – In the cross of Christ I glory (Cross of Jesus 227)

Sermon – THE TREE & THE CROSS: The Fig Tree

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

St. Patrick's Breastplate Prayer (unison)

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ on my right, Christ on my left, Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down, Christ when I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me, Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me, Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me. I arise today through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity, through belief in the threeness, through confession of the oneness, of the Creator of Creation. (St. Patrick 387-461)

Recessional Hymn 462 – Be thou my vision (Slane)

Benediction The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

**Choral Amen** (Maddox in the Dorian mode)

**Postlude** Toccata in D minor

Gaston Bélier

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

#### 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 Sanctuary Chancel today are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of a good friend

#### **CHARLES AND GWEN ONLEY**

by their family.

#### Easter flower forms are due today.

The flower committee needs volunteer drivers to help deliver the lilies after Easter. To volunteer or for more information, please call Kay Hayes at 416-447-9416.

#### PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND BLESSING

Immediately following the morning worship service, **Prayers for Healing and Blessing** will be offered in the Chapel for all who wish a lay leader to pray with them. If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, members of the Pastoral Care Committee are present in the Chapel to offer PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND BLESSING each Sunday, following the morning worship service. Your prayers are confidential unless you request they be shared with our Pastoral Care staff. You may also submit a request for prayer on the Welcome card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister.

#### PARISH NURSE

It is a great joy to welcome Catherine Newman to the position of Parish Nurse on our ministry team. Cathy's office is on the third floor of the Yorkminster Park Centre in room 505. Her office hours at present are Sundays 10-3, Tuesday 9:30 to 4:30, and Wednesday 1 – 6pm. Other hours by appointment. Her office phone is 416-922-1428 and her mobile number is 416-358-6453. All voice mail messages are confidential. Her email is <a href="mailto:parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com">parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com</a> or cathbnrn@gmail.com.

The Rev. Sam Lee is away on vacation with his family this week.

WE sing the praise of Him who died, Of Him who died upon the cross; The sinner's hope let men deride, For this we count the world but loss.

- 2 Inscribed upon the cross we see, In shining letters, "God is love"; He bears our sins upon the tree, He brings us mercy from above.
- 3 The cross! it takes our guilt away,
  It holds the fainting spirit up;
  It cheers with hope the gloomy day,
  And sweetens every bitter cup.
- 4 It makes the coward spirit brave,
  And nerves the feeble arm for fight;
  It takes the terror from the grave,
  And gilds the bed of death with light.
- The balm of life, the cure of woe,

  The measure and the pledge of love;

  The sinner's refuge here below,

  The angels' theme in heaven above.

JESUS loves me! this I know,
For the Bible tells me so;
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong.

Yes! Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.

- 2 Jesus loves me! He who died Heaven's gate to open wide; He will wash away my sin, Let His little child come in.
- 3 Jesus loves me! He will stay Close beside me all the way; Then His little child will take Up to heaven, for His dear sake.

IN the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time:
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

- When the woes of life o'ertake me, Hopes deceive, and fears annoy, Never shall the cross forsake me; Lo! it glows with peace and joy.
- When the sun of bliss is beaming
  Light and love upon my way,
  From the cross the radiance streaming
  Adds more lustre to the day.
- A Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
  By the cross are sanctified;
  Peace is there that knows no measure,
  Joys that through all time abide.
- 5 In the cross of Christ I glory,
  Towering o'er the wrecks of time:
  All the light of sacred story
  Gathers round its head sublime.

BE Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;

Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

- 2 Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word; Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord; Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son; Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
- 3 Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might; Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower,

O raise Thou me heavenward, great power of my power.

- 4 Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Be Thou mine inheritance now and always; Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart; O sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
- 5 High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright sun, O grant me its joys, after victory is won; Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be Thou my vision, O ruler of all.

Ancient Irish, tr. Mary Byrne, 1881-1931. Versified by Eleanor Hull, 1861-1935, altd.

#### **EVENING SERVICE**

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.

**Preludes** Prelude on a theme of Parry

Charles Villiers Stanford

Elévation (Messe Basse)

Louis Vierne

**Processional Hymn 32 – To God be the glory** (To God be the glory)

Call to Worship

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Introit – If thou, O Lord

Healey Willan

If Thou, O Lord, wilt be extreme to mark iniquities, Lord, who may abide it? For unto thee belongeth mercy, O God of Israel. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice. Gloria.

**Invocation and Lord's Prayer** (sung Amen) (Please see inside front cover of the hymn book.)

**Scripture - Mark 10:35-45** (NT p.47-8)

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

**Choral Response** 

S. Alec Gordon

Hear my prayer, O Lord my God. Harken to my supplication; be merciful to me, a sinner. Amen

**Announcements and Offering** 

Anthem – Ave verum corpus

Flor Peeters

Hail true body: that was born of the Virgin Mary, That truly suffered and was sacrificed on the Cross for men, From whose pierced side flowed water and blood;

Be for us a foretaste of death and judgment. O sweet and gentle Jesus, son of Mary.

**Prayer of Dedication** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

**Hymn 227 – Come, Thou everlasting Spirit** (Cross of Jesus)

**Sermon – SO YOU WANT TO BE GREAT?** 

The Rev. Dale Rose

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Choral Preparation – Eternal, unchanging, we sing to Thy praise

St. Basil

Eternal, unchanging, we sing to thy praise Thy mercies are endless, and righteous thy ways; thy servants proclaim the renown of thy name Who rulest omnipotent, ever the same.

**Invitation to the Table** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

**Words of Institution** 

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

The Rev. Dale Rose

**Distribution of the Elements** 

**Hymn 149 – There is a green hill far away** (Horsley)

Benediction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen (Udell in A)

Choir Recessional Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon

(Mode III.4, chant C.M. Palmer)

Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping; that awake we may watch with Thee, and asleep we may rest in peace. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Gloria.

Communion at Yorkminster Park is open to all who love Christ and seek to live in His ways. To address the needs of some congregants whose allergies have prevented them from fully participating in the Sacrament of Communion, the communion bread in the centre of the plate is gluten-free.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be with us, we welcome you to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church. We hope that you will feel comforted and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily lives. Please fill out the Welcome card you find in the pew. Place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister.

- City Parking at Alvin Ave. (one street east of Yonge & St. Clair) provides free parking Sunday morning until 12:45 pm. Have your ticket stamped in the Narthex.
- 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.
- Hearing assistance available. Please speak with our volunteer at the Narthex information table.
- A limited number of large-print Bibles and calendars are available for use in worship on the Narthex information table. If you would like one for use during the service, please ask an usher.
- Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Narthex, inside the main Yonge Street entrance. We invite you to participate with us.
- If you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please speak with the one of the ministers after the service or call the Church Office, 416-922-1167.
- If you wish to know more about Yorkminster Park Baptist Church or to be included on our mailing list, please fill out the card you will find in the pew and give it to an usher.
- Downstairs in the lower level, there are bulletin boards where we hang some churchrelated and community-related events. Next time you are in the lower level, take a moment and browse all of the events that are happening in our community.
- Please note that the 2012 Annual Reports, 2012 Financial Statements and 2013 Budget are available upon request from the Church Office.

Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/pages/Yorkminster-Park-Baptist-Church/

#### **This Week**

- Tuesday, 7:00pm Board of Mission, Library
- Wednesday, 12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital: *Daniel Norman*

#### CHURCH CONNECTORS

Do you enjoy visiting people; engaging them in conversation and helping them stay connected to our church family? If so, this may be a ministry that would interest you.

The Pastoral Care Committee is currently reviewing the Church Connector Visitation program here at Yorkminster Park. Our ministers visit people regularly, and follow up on pastoral concerns. But there is a need for other visitors who are willing to connect with members and adherents in a variety of settings, such as hospitals, private homes and extended care facilities. My experience as a pastor is that many people appreciate lay visitors who help keep them in touch with the church family on a regular basis. Hence, the need to revise and re-launch our Connectors Visitation program. With this in mind, we are having a meeting of prospective connectors in the Friendship Room immediately following the worship service **TODAY**. It will be an opportunity to discuss the program at more length, and outline expectations and responsibilities for connectors. If you are interested, please contact Dale Rose at drose@yorkminsterpark.com or Rhoda Hill at 416-922-1240.

#### **Centre Hall Greeters NEEDED**

Greeters staff the Yorkminster Centre Welcome Desk from 10am to 2pm each weekday.

Contact Len Linton at 416-512-2080 or leonardlinton@rogers.com



YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY Contact Sam Lee at slee@yorkminsterpark.com

College and Career Bible Study at Fox and Fiddle on Sundays after morning worship service Studying "Following the Way" Lenten Study

The Story This Week
Chapter 27
"The Resurrection"

The Men's Baking Group will be offering hot cross buns again this year.

#### Our sales will start TODAY.

Proceeds from this year's sales will be donated to the House of Compassion.



#### **PRAYERS**

Each Tuesday at 9:30 a.m., you are invited to join the Ministerial Staff as prayers are lifted to God for individuals, groups, ministry and mission organizations affiliated with Yorkminster Park. If you have a prayer request, please contact Rev. Dale Rose at 416-922-1240. A printed Prayer List is provided, and available upon request. "But with prayer, that blessed medicine, we are sustained."

The Sanctuary is open for prayer and meditation on Tuesday and Thursday from 10am to 3pm and Wednesday 10am to 12:30pm.

#### **ART GALLERY**

#### JODY BUDA/Bowle-Evans to March 22, 2013

"Hills and Vales: Landscapes of Southern Ontario" - an exhibition and sale of the paintings of John Kinsella. The show opens on **Sunday, March 24, 2013, reception 12:15 pm - 2 pm**, with the artist in attendance. John is a poet and oil painter who takes his inspiration from "the beauty and power found in the natural settings of my home province". The exhibition and sale will continue through April 29.

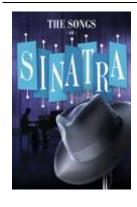


#### **BOARD OF MISSION**

Hello Yorkminster Park! The Board of Mission would like to announce that we will be sponsoring a congregation-wide book study during the month of April. The book is entitled "Wordeed" and it addresses the topic of Integral Mission. Copies will be made available for everyone on **April 7th and 14th**--we hope you'll read along with us!

The Board of Mission has put out a brief newsletter which provides updates and helpful information about their work. Pick up a hard copy from the Narthex, Centre Hall or South tables.

The Sanfilippo Children's Research Foundation 14<sup>th</sup> annual Dinner and Auction will be held **Wednesday**, **April 10**, **2013** at the Paramount Convention Centre, Woodbridge. The foundation was inspired by Len and Norma's Linton's granddaughter, Elisa, and her family's remarkable effort to find a cure for this very rare disease. Please continue to keep Elisa and the work of the foundation in your prayers. For more information <a href="http://www.alifeforelisa.org">http://www.alifeforelisa.org</a>



# THE SONGS OF SINATRA

A Tribute to Ol' Blue Eyes

Spring Bus Theatre Trip to Drayton Festival Theatre to see "The Songs of Sinatra" on **Thursday, May 30**. Cost is \$123, includes bus and lunch. To register, please contact Margaret Branscombe at 416-223-8089. Deadline for booking is **April 25**.

#### Do you have any of those unwanted pennies?

"Hear the pennies dropping Listen as they fall Every one for Jesus, he shall have them all

Dropping, dropping, dropping Hear the pennies fall Every one for Jesus. He shall have them all."

The Dorcas Group is gratefully receiving any contributions. Monies collected will be rolled and used in the purchase of yarn for our various projects and donations given to the charities that we sponsor. Please see Donna Willett for further information.

Also, if you have any yarn that you have no further use for, it would also be greatly appreciated. You can drop it off at the Church Office during the week.

Dorcas meets every Tuesday, in Room 508, at 10:00 am.

Bring your lunch and coffee and tea will be provided. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

#### **TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP**

Are you technologically challenged? Do you want to learn how to use your technology better? Come out on April 7 from 10am-10:45am where our youth will show you how technologically can actually make your life easier. Please RSVP by April 2nd to slee@yorkminsterpark.com with what you need help with.

#### PILGRIMAGE OF SACRED SPACES

Peter Holmes, Corey Keeble (ROM), and William Maddox will be co-leading a pilgrimage of the sacred spaces of Rochester, New York departing early **Monday April 29 and returning Thursday, May 2**. We will be travelling by coach and staying in a hotel. Information regarding cost is available from Judy MacDonald or Euan Ferguson. There are several spaces still available on the bus. To register in advance please contact Euan Ferguson (eujoferguson@sympatico.ca).



# Lenten Studies 2013 Following the Way, Mark Price, Author

#### **Amazing Love**

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3: 4b-14; John 12:1-8

We often say we 'love' this or we 'love' that and I guess we mean what we say, but do we love enough to lose everything and still love? God's people who had been displaced in Babylon, had in their memory God's activity for them during the Exodus; God had bought them out of Egypt, opened a path in the Red Sea and fed them with manna and quails for forty years. **Yet**, in the forty-third chapter of Isaiah the prophet bids them "Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?" What God is about to do is greater and more wonderful than God has already done. Let's not allow our love affair with the past to cloud our vision of the goodness of God in the future. God is about to do something new!

Paul has a personal testimony of what we may need to give up to embrace God in Jesus Christ. Paul had to give up his great standing in the community, his worship of the Law and his personal righteousness and received in return the righteousness of God. Like our study author 'in a blink of an eye" (43) may lose everything by choice or by conviction by Holy Spirit. When we give up thoughts of ourselves and focus on emptying ourselves to others, trusting God and God alone and worshiping God because God is worthy of all praise that is *real* worship.

In the gospel of John we have a glimpse of the fullest worship one can give to God. In the twelfth chapter is the familiar story of Mary anointing the feet of Jesus with expensive perfume and then wiping Jesus' feet with her hair. Mary was engaged in worship. Mary loved Jesus and understood that Jesus was the Messiah, come to provide release for those captive and declare the acceptable year of the Lord. Mary understood that worship is about giving up everything to receive from God. Some wish to equate Mary's gift with Mary's sin and therefore suggesting that worship is an expression of our gratefulness to God. **Be careful! All have sinned!** We worship God because God is God not because God has done this or that for us; worship isn't about you or me, worship is about God. The last thing we want to do is be like Judas, questioning the value and necessity of someone's gift to God.

#### YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH



## 2013 HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MONDAY, MARCH 25 THROUGH THURSDAY MARCH 28 AT 7:30 P.M.

The one hour service is devotional by nature with the intention of focusing our hearts on Christ as we prepare for Good Friday and Easter.

There are hymns and prayers but the primary focus is the devotional presentation each evening offered by our guest preacher.

## 2013 Holy Week Preacher The Rev. Dr. Harry Gardner

Dr. Harry G. Gardner, a native of the south shore of Nova Scotia, with degrees from Dalhousie University, Acadia Divinity College and from Fuller Theological Seminary. Prior to becoming the President of Acadia Divinty College in Wolfville, Nova Scotia, Harry served as the Executive Minister of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches.



Harry is beloved for his warm pastoral heart and deep faith in Christ and teaches in the area of pastoral ministry, leadership and spiritual disciplines. He has had a keen interest in addressing issues of racism, promoting integral mission as well as international relief and development.

Harry will be accompanied by his wife, Gail. Their family includes two married children and four grandchildren. Personal interests include fun times with the grandchildren, travel, and music.

# HOLY WEEK 2013

During Holy Week Yorkminster Park is honoured to welcome **Dr. Harry Gardner**, Principal of Acadia Divinity College in Wolfville, Nova Scotia to lead our Holy Week devotional services from Monday through Thursday evenings.

#### Palm Sunday, March 24, 11 a.m.

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
This service will include a children's procession of palms,
Choir, and the hymns of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

#### Palm Sunday, March 24, 4:30 p.m. - Music for Passiontide

The Yorkminster Park Choir will present music by Mendelssohn (In deep despair), Healey Willan and Anton Bruckner. Freewill offering

#### Monday, March 25, 7:30 p.m.

Devotional Service - Dr. Harry Gardner "Over Turning and Turning Over" - Matthew 21: 12-17

Tuesday, March 26, noon - Communion in Centennial Chapel

#### Tuesday, March 26, 7:30 p.m.

Devotional Service - Dr. Harry Gardner
"When Offending the Mind Reveals the Heart" - Matthew 26: 6-13 & Mark 12: 41-44

#### Wednesday, March 27, 7:30 p.m.

Devotional Service - Dr. Harry Gardner "Diversion and Discipleship" - Luke 22: 31-34 and John 21: 15-19

#### Maundy Thursday, March 28, 7:30 p.m.

Footwashing and Tenebrae Service - Sermon: Dr. Harry Gardner
"Jesus: Servant of All" - John 13: 1-17
In this service the worshippers are reminded of the love and devotion of Christ
through a foot washing ceremony in which the minister symbolically washes
the feet of several members of the community.

#### Good Friday, March 29, 11:00 a.m.

This solemn traditional service features hymns, litanies, readings, prayers and an anthem focused on the cross of Christ and the great gift of his love and forgiveness.

Following the sermon the Sacrament of Communion is offered in remembrance of Christ.

#### The Twentieth Ecumenical Good Friday Walk, March 29, 12:30 p.m.

From YP the walk will go to Christ Church Deer Park, Calvin Presbyterian/Deer Park
United, and on to Timothy Eaton Memorial Church - a short service including a prayer,
reading and hymn will be offered in each church as we join with our sisters and
brothers from other Christian traditions in marking the sacrifice and love of Christ.



1585 Yonge St. at Heath St. - 1 block north of St. Clair Ave. 416.922.1167



For more information on Holy Week and Easter Sunday at YPBC, visit yorkminsterpark.com

### YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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# HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY

# EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 a.m. - Sunrise Service
The Rev. Cheryle Hanna, and the YPBC children
and youth will lead in worship.

The service is followed by the Easter Breakfast for all to enjoy and an egg hunt for the children.

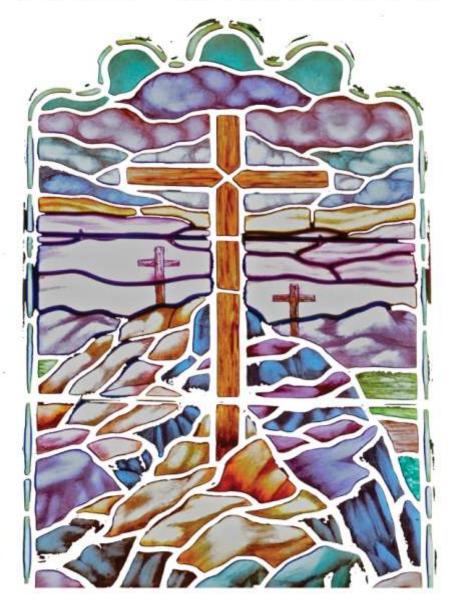
11:00 a.m. - Morning Service
The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes,
Minister of the Congregation, preaching

This triumphant service with brass, organ, and choir celebrates Christ's resurrection from the dead and the gift of eternal life.

Please Note: No Evening Service on Easter Sunday

## YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

# Lent and Holy Week 2013





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