

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

The Rev. Dale Rose Minister of Pastoral Care

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

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Mrs. Miriam Little Director of Children's Ministries

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MORNING WORSHIP – OCTOBER 13, 2013

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Preludes Prelude Everett Titcomb

Prelude on Nun Danket Alle Gott Randall Thompson

Processional Hymn 724 – Come ye thankful people (St. George's, Windsor)

Call to Worship (Psalm 100)

The Rev. Sam Lee

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

People: Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing. Minister: Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his

people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

Minister: For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Let us worship God!

Introit - O come, ye servants of the Lord

Godfrey Sampson

O come, ye servants of the Lord, and bless his holy name. From early morn to setting sun his might on earth proclaim. His laws are just and glad the heart; he makes his mercies known Ye princes come, ye people too, and bow before his throne

Invocation & The Lord's Prayer (sung Amen)

The Rev. Sam Lee

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

Hymn *SHB 42 – I will enter His gates with thanksgiving (I will enter)

Prayer with the Children The Re

The Children's Atlas

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
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Announcements

Holy Scripture – Leviticus 23:29-43 (OT p.122)

Miriam Irwin

Philippians 4:4-9 (NT p.212)

Solo – Green Pastures

Wilfrid Sanderson

Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Dale Rose

Choral Response - Grant us wisdom; grant us courage for the living of our days. *C. M. Palmer* **Offering**

Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Anthem - I looked, and behold, a white cloud

Healey Willan

I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice unto him that sat on the cloud. Thrust in Thy sickle, and reap, for the time is come for thee to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe. Lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, for they are white even unto harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal. The harvest is the end of the world and the reapers are the angels. Amen.

Martin Houtman, tenor

Doxology Hymn 766

Hymn 732 – We plough the fields and scatter (Wir Pflügen)

Sermon - GOD AT THE TABLE: THANKSGIVING

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Recessional Hymn 18 – Now thank we all our God (Nun Danket Alle Gott)

Benediction The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen Maddox in G

Postlude Nun Danket Alle Gott

Sigfried Karg-Elert

The Memorial Bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude *SHB – Supplementary Hymn Book, 'Sing to God's Glory'

Soloists:

Jessica Willingham, soprano; Dawn King, soprano; Margaret Terry, mezzo soprano; Martin Houtman, tenor; Stephen King, baritone.

Christel Wiens, Associate Musician

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The harvest array in the Sanctuary today is dedicated to the glory of God and placed with thanksgiving by the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Women

Our thanks to the Aikenhead family for designing and assembling this beautiful thanksgiving display.

Thanks also to Phil and Miriam Irwin, Jim Weir and Pauline Gabourel for using the vegetables to make soup to be distributed by the Pastoral Care Committee

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

Tracy Letsche

by Herb, Diane and family

Immediately following the morning worship service, **Prayers for Healing and Blessing** will be offered in the Centennial Chapel, which is located in the south transcept beneath the south balcony, 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.

No Evening Service Today – Happy Thanksgiving

PRAYERS

"But with prayer, that blessed medicine, we are sustained."

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.

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

PRIME TIMERS

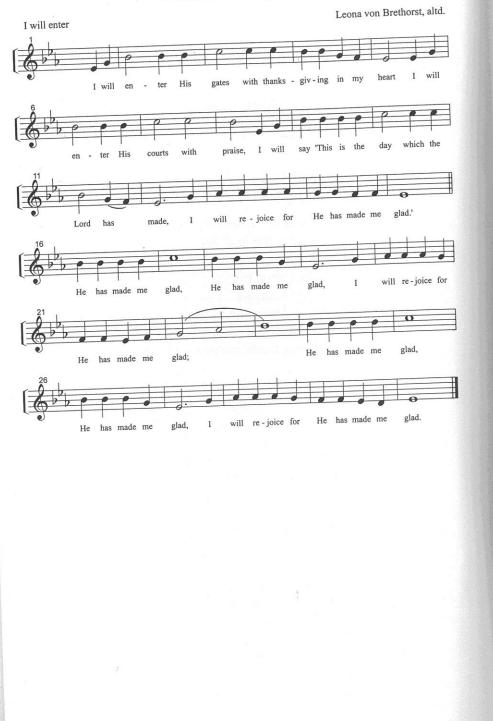
We've arrived! **Tuesday, October 15, 12:30pm to 2:00pm** in the Friendship Room. Newcomers Barbara and Ian Woods share life experiences as Canadian diplomats. Bring a sandwich. If transportation is needed, call the Church Office at 416-922-1167 x221.

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COME, ye thankful people, come, Raise the song of harvest home! All is safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin; God, our Maker, doth provide For our needs to be supplied: Come to God's own temple, come, Raise the song of harvest-home.

- 2 All the world is God's own field,
 Fruit unto His praise to yield;
 Wheat and tares together sown,
 Unto joy or sorrow grown;
 First the blade, and then the ear,
 Then the full corn shall appear:
 Lord of harvest, grant that we
 Wholesome grain and pure may be.
- 3 For the Lord our God shall come, And shall take His harvest home, From His field shall in that day All offences purge away, Give His angels charge at last In the fire the tares to cast, But the fruitful ears to store In His garner evermore.
- 4 Even so, Lord, quickly come, Bring Thy final harvest home; Gather Thou Thy people in, Free from sorrow, free from sin; There, for ever purified, In Thy garner to abide: Come, with all Thine angels, come, Raise the glorious harvest-home.

I will enter His gates



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WE plough the fields and scatter
The good seed on the land,
But it is fed and watered
By God's almighty hand;
He sends the snow in winter,
The warmth to swell the grain,
The breezes and the sunshine
And soft refreshing rain.

All good gifts around us

Are sent from heaven above,
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord,
For all His love.

- Of all things near and far;
 He paints the wayside flower,
 He lights the evening star;
 The wind and waves obey Him,
 By Him the birds are fed;
 Much more to us, His children,
 He gives our daily bread.
- 3 We thank Thee then, O Father,
 For all things bright and good,
 The seed-time and the harvest,
 Our life, our health, our food.
 Accept the gifts we offer
 For all Thy love imparts,
 And what Thou most desirest,
 Our humble, thankful hearts.

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Now thank we all our God,
With hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours to-day.

2 O may this bounteous God
Through all our life be near us,
With ever-joyful hearts
And blessèd peace to cheer us;
And keep us in His grace,
And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills
In this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God
The Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns
With Them in highest heaven;
The one eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

Martin Rinckart, 1586-1649, tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827-78.

COTH FOOD BANK



The Food Bank requires volunteers to help distribute food to clients at Timothy Eaton Church for two hours each month. The times are Monday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and Wednesday from 10:30 am to 12:30am. The need is greatest on Wednesday. If you can donate two hours of your time once a month, please call 416-967-3842. Many thanks.

At this time of plenty and Thanksgiving, please remember the Churches-On-The-Hill Food Bank. The donation box is in the Centre Hall just outside the Sanctuary (north east exit) and before the doors to the Friendship Room. Thank you for your generosity.

ART GALLERY

WARREN HOYANO Stretched: Explorations in Watercolour

Award-winning Warren
Hoyano stretches our
common notions of
watercolour.



ART SPEAKS:

A conversation with Warren Hoyano Sunday, October 20, 9:45-10:30am in Yorkminster Park Gallery

Facilitated by John Franklin, Executive Director of IMAGO. This is the first in a four-part series of public interviews designed to deepen our understanding of visual art. There will be a Question and Answer period.

Sunday, Nov 17, 2013 - artist David Rankine Sunday, Jan 19, 2014 - artist Ann Bald-Bloom Sunday, Apr 13, 2014 - artist Laura Culic

YOUTH MINISTRY • slee@yorkminsterpark.com

Sunday Morning Schedule for Youth Group 10:00am – Youth Bible Study in Youth Zone Room 508

11:00am - Youth in Service

11:15am - Youth go to Cameron Hall after the Children's Moment for Doxa

The 3rd Sunday of the month is Serve Sunday where youth are encouraged to use their gifts to serve the church. Please speak with Sam for details.

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Christmas Party - Saturday, December 7, 7-10pm

Eva's Place - Pot Luck Dinner w/gift exchange

Sunday Bible Study October 20-November 24, 12:30pm-2pm

5th floor board room beside the elevator BASIC video series by Francis Chan Lunch will be provided

Mid Week Bible Study

David and Joan are looking to lead a mid week Bible study on the book of Philippians that will run for about 4-5 weeks in the month of **November**. If you are interested, please speak to them or to me for more info. Space is limited.

HOMECOMING SERVICE AND TEA - Thursday, October 17 at 2:00pm

The Lord's Supper – Refreshments – Old and New Friends

The Homecoming Service gives us the meaningful opportunity to welcome home many of our homebound members and adherents to the church for a service of worship and time of refreshment and conversation. If you know someone who may benefit from this service, or if you are able to volunteer for the event, please speak with either the Chair of Pastoral Care, Rhoda Hill; the Parish Nurse, Cathy Newman; or the Rev. Dale Rose.

If you need assistance arranging transportation and for more information, contact the Rev. Dale Rose, Minister of Pastoral Care at 416-922-1240.



We would love you to join our Church! Discipleship 101 will meet on Sundays from 9:45am – 10:45am in Room 504

The primary focus is to prepare participants for Baptism and church membership. With this foundation each new believer and prospective member will be set on the right path and have a basis for future growth. To join our family, please speak with one of the ministers and register for Discipleship 101 by sending an email to office@yorkminsterpark.com or calling 416-922-1167.

The topics include:

Baptist, YP and You • The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Stewardship and Service • The Rev. Sam Lee

Fall Bible Studies							
Berean Bible	Sunday at	in the Red	Harold Hetherington,	Gospel of Luke			
Class	9:45am	Boardroom	coordinator, Peter				
IDible Desirel	0	in the Third Floor	Ferguson, leader				
'Bible Basics'	Sunday at	in the Third Floor	Paula Willis, leader				
	10:00am	Board Room					
'Women's Prayer	Tuesday at	in the Friendship	Carol Belford,	Paul's letter to			
and Bible Study'	10:00am	Room,	leaders	the Romans			
'Table Talk'	Wednesday	in the Friendship	Ministry Team	Based on the			
	Evening at	Room	leaders	meal texts on the			
	7:00pm			Sunday to come.			
'Morning Brew'	Thursday at	in the Friendship	Stuart Campbell,	Christian Basics			
_	7:00am	Room	leader				
The Don Mills	Thursday at	offsite	Rev. Dale Rose,	The book of			
Bible Study	7:30pm [°]		leader	James			

Human Trafficking Conference

On Saturday, October 19, women from Baptist churches across the GTA will gather at Immanuel Baptist Church (Finch/Don Mills).

Why: To learn about today's slave trade (human trafficking) - global and local.

Learn what part they could play in ending slavery and along the way learn about the power of prayer to fight this social injustice, give generously to one Toronto Baptist Woman's ministry to help women and girls at risk in Eastern Europe and connect with each other during guided discussion/interactive times. Worship, good nutrition and lots of laughter are also planned for this day.

Speakers: Laurena Zondo (CBM/prayer), Rev. Karen Robinson-Joseph (YPBC/Youth UnLimited), Rev Oleg and Natalia Turlac (Bethany Baptist), Toronto Baptist Women's planning team

How do I register: \$20 at the door. Call Renee James at 416-651-8967

or e-mail: resejames@gmail.com to register. Make cheques payable to Toronto Area Baptist Women.

Lunch: Bring your own; snacks and beverages provided.

DORCAS OPEN HOUSE

October 20, 2013 following the morning service in the Friendship Room



COME SEE A DISPLAY OF WORK AND ENJOY REFRESHMENTS

On Tuesday mornings, the members of The Dorcas Group invite the women of the congregation to join them in room 508 as they knit, trim stamps for the Canadian Bible Society and enjoy being together. Come anytime after 10am. We bring our own lunches and gather around the lunch table at noon. Tea is served. For further information, please call Joyce Wood at 416-445-5374

Time to have your photo taken – Sunday October 20th

following the morning and evening worship services
The Communication Committee, at the request of the Board of Deacons, is undertaking an ambitious project and we need your help.

- Everyone in the Yorkminster Park Family (aged 14 years and up) is requested to have his or her photograph taken
- Volunteers will be ready to take a simple head and shoulders photo of you. (We're looking for individual photos not family portraits).
- Our goal is to attach an individual photo to every name in our Church Roll of Members and Adherents to help each of us put faces to names.
- Photos will be posted in a password-protected gallery at <u>yorkminsterpark.com</u> <u>accessible</u> only to church members.



Salt and Leaven Potluck Supper - October 28, 2013, 6:30 p.m.

Held once again at the home of Violet Pantelidis - 16 Chestnut Park Road, Toronto. Shara Benavidez will give an update on her year in Bolivia

This is a time apart for women to be refreshed and encouraged as we hear each other's stories and enjoy delicious food together. All women are warmly invited to share a meal and be encouraged and inspired as we enjoy conversations together. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends and renew acquaintances. Please note - a "homemade" contribution is not a necessity! We look forward to welcoming you. For more information, contact the Church Office at 416-922-1167 or office@yorkminsterpark.com. YPBC Women's Ministries

> The Lester Randall Preaching Fellowship A Toronto Festival of Preaching "Preaching for Tomorrow – The Horizon of Hope"

Sunday, November 3 – Tuesday, November 5

Rev. Dr. Jana Childers will preach at the 11 a.m. service. Rev. Dr. David Lose will preach at the 7 p.m. service. A panel with all four keynote speakers will take place following the evening service. Rev. Dr. John Buchanan will give a public address on Monday evening at 7:30. All of these are open to the public. Registration is required for all other sessions.



lesterrandall.com

For information about registration and fees call the Church Office

On Wednesday, November 6, 2013, we will once again open our weekly Out of the Cold drop-in centre for those needing food and temporary shelter. Our program runs from the first Wednesday evening/Thursday morning of November to the first Wednesday evening/Thursday morning of April. We do have some need for volunteers and are hopeful that you might be able to help us. The specific needs are: overnight shift (11pm-6am) and breakfast service/clean-up (6am-8am). We ask that volunteers commit to at least once per month. If you are interested, please contact Denise Roeleveld den_roe@sympatico.ca. Thank you. We look forward to working with you. Joyce Rankin, Director, Yorkminster Park Out of the Cold Ministry



Thursday, November 7, 12:30pm - 2:00pm FTERNOON Baptist Women's World Day of Prayer in the Friendship Room

You are warmly invited to be "In Step with the Spirit" through the Fruit of the Spirit of Love. This is the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance invitation to us for the Baptist Women's World Day of FLLOWSHIP Prayer, November 2013. The BWA Women's Department is composed of 7 Continental Unions representing 235 national Baptist

women's organizations from 136 countries. The 2013 programme has been thoughtfully and prayerfully prepared by the European Baptist Women's Union. Please join us as we pray with joy and gratefulness for our Baptist sisters throughout the world. Prayer Guides will be available. Bring a bag lunch and tea will be provided. Programme to follow lunch. MEN and WOMEN welcome!



FALL THANKOFFERING LUNCH - A TASTE OF THAILAND SUNDAY November 17, 2013 - 12:30 pm - Heritage Room Alana Walker Carpenter will be reporting on her experience at BAM a Business as Mission Conference that she attended in Thailand.

Men and women are warmly invited to what promises to be a very informative event! Tickets \$15.00 Will be on sale from Women's Executive members and the Church Office, Sunday October 20 - November 13. Please note: A ticket purchased in advance will be essential for this event. The offering taken this day will go to the ministries of the Canadian Baptist Women of Ontario and Quebec.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

The Parish Nurse is available in the Church or by phone, 9:30am to 3:30pm, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Sundays, and some evenings by appointment.

The Nurse will be in the Narthex from 11:30am to 1:30pm on Thursdays.

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Fall Colours Walk - Saturday October 26 - Meet Jim Vanderlip in the Centre Hall

Journey Through Grief Toward Healing and Hope Bereavement Support Group Starting November 11 from 6:30pm – 9:00pm for 6 weeks.

In Youth Zone (Room 508)

Led by the Rev. Elaine MacInnis, Certified Grief Counsellor Fee: \$30 covers the course materials and refreshments.

Please contact Elaine at 416-243-2302

or email the Church Office at office@yorkminsterpark.com to register/get more information.

SAVE THE DATE

Mental Health Problems, Substance Use, and Concurrent Disorders Information Night Friday, November 29, 2013 • 7pm - 9pm in Cameron Hall. Free of charge.

Everyone welcome!

Please watch calendar and tables for more information

Health and Wellness information is available in the Narthex, Centre Hall, South tables and website. For more information or to discuss any personal or family health matters, please contact Parish Nurse, Cathy Newman RN at 416 922-1428; or mobile 416 358-6453 or by email at parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com. All communications are confidential.

SAVE THE DATE - The next Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces will spend one day exploring sanctuaries in the Toronto area on **Friday, November 22**. More details to follow.

SAVE THIS DATE - A DAY LONG RETREAT FOR WOMEN – **SATURDAY**, **FEBRUARY 8, 2014**North York Novotel Guest Speaker: Cindy Mosey
Please watch for more details!

THIS WEEK								
The Church Offices will be closed on Monday for Thanksgiving								
Tuesday	October 15	12:30pm	Prime Timers	Friendship Room				
		7:00pm	Health and Wellness Committee	Friendship Room				
Wednesday	October 16	10:00am	Lester Randall Preaching Fellowship	Friendship Room				
			Volunteer Orientation					
		12:30pm	Noonday Recital: Peter Nikiforuk	Main Sanctuary				
		7:00pm	Table Talk Bible Study	Friendship Room				
		7:00pm	Board of Music	Red Boardroom				
Thursday	October 17	10:00am	Lester Randall Preaching Fellowship	Friendship Room				
			Volunteer Orientation					
		2:00pm	Fall Homecoming Service and Tea	Sanctuary and				
				Friendship Room				
		7:00pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal	Cameron Hall				
Friday	October 18	6:00pm	Youth Outing	offsite				

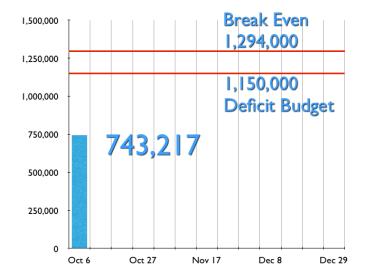
UPCOMING - Tuesday, October 29, 2:00pm - Memorial Service for Mollie Dawson

An Update on 2013 Offerings

This chart shows, in weekly increments from October 6, the progress toward accomplishing the level of general offerings and contributions needed in 2013 to meet the Budget (leaving a deficit of \$144,000) or, better still, to break even.

Historically, offerings during the last few months of the year have contributed significantly to the financing of the ministries of the church. Similarly generous commitments are needed again in 2013.

As of October 6, the general offerings in the year to date were 57% of the amount needed for the church to break even for the year.



BOARD OF MISSION - S.T.E.P. (Serving Training Energizing Partnerships)



Students from other countries must obtain visas to be able to study at the Arab Baptist Theological Seminary in Lebanon. Each year, this requires significant negotiations with the government, and there is no guarantee that visas will be granted. With increasing numbers of Syrian refugees continuing to pour over the border, all aspects of government are working to capacity. While continuing to pray for those working to improve the lot of the refugees,

please also ask God to keep the provision of these student visas in the minds of the appropriate government officials.

Centre Hall Alternate 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

There will be a tea/reception on October 27 in the Friendship Room following the morning worship service for current and prospective helpers.



VISITORS

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, please ask an usher.
- Please find our guarterly newsletter on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.
- Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Narthex, reached through the Sanctuary. 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.
- For children: Nursery for newborn to 2 years old from 10:50 am and classes for toddlers to grade 5 after the Children's Prayer.
 - 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.