

MARCH 2, 2014



Yorkminster Park

BAPTIST CHURCH

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

Mrs. Cathy Newman RN BScN
Parish Nurse

The Rev. Sam Lee
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MORNING WORSHIP – MARCH 2, 2014

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Preludes Quinquagésime *Dom Paul Benoit*
Communion sur Lauda Sion *Denis Bédard*

Processional Hymn *SHB 16 – Christ is made the sure foundation
(Westminster Abbey)

Call to Worship **The Rev. Sam Lee**

Leader: The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he!

People: Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity;

Leader: You have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he!

Leader: Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain;
for the LORD our God is holy. Let us worship God!

Introit – (congregation seated) Agnus Dei *Edward Elgar, arr. David Gardiniere*

Minster Singers

Dawn King, conductor

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer (*sung Amen*) **The Rev. Sam Lee**

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

Hymn *SHB 45 – Jesus loves the little children (Tenderness)

Prayer with the Children **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**
Children's Atlas **Cruz**

Announcements

Holy Scripture: Matthew 17:1-9 (NT. p.19) **Esther Barnes**

Pastoral Prayer (*seated*) **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

Choral Response *W. Maddox*

Say to them that are of a fearful heart:

be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.

Offering – The Lord is the Spirit and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is freedom. (2 Cor. 3:17)

Anthem – Judge me, O God *Felix Mendelssohn*

Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation:

O deliver me from deceitful and unjust men.

For thou art the God of my strength; O why dost thou cast me from thee?

Wherefore mourn I because the enemy sorely oppresses me?

Send out thy light, Thy light and truth, Lord; O let them lead me and bring me
unto thy holy hill and to thy dwelling place.

And then will I go to the altar of God, the God of my gladness and joy,

I will praise thee upon the harp, O my God.

O my soul, why art thou cast downward, and why art thou disquieted within me.

Hope in the Lord O my soul, for I will praise Him who is the health of my
countenance and my gracious Lord and God. (Psalm 43)

Doxology Hymn 766

Sermon – BRING IT TO EASTER

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Hymn *SHB 10 – Be still (Evans)

Choral Preparation

Adoro te devote

Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour Thee, Who in thy sacrament dost deign to be;
Both flesh and spirit at thy presence fail, yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Distribution of the Elements

Recessional Hymn 131 – ‘Tis good Lord, to be here! (Carlisle 523)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Smith of Durham)

Postlude Processional

William Mathias

Played by Christel Wiens

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

**SHB – Supplementary Hymn Book “Sing to God’s Glory”*

*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, communion bread in the centre of the plate is
gluten-free.*

Christel Wiens, Associate Musician

*Soloists: **Martin Houtman**, tenor; **Stephen King**, baritone*

***Jessica Willingham**, soprano; **Dawn King**, soprano; **Margaret Terry**, mezzo soprano*

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

*The flowers in the Sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God
and placed in grateful celebration for the good life, good health and good honour of*

MR. ALEXANDER KORAH

and in loving memory of

DR. (MRS.) SARAMMA ALEXANDER

By their sons – Samuel and Solomon Alexander

Sunday, March 23 is available for anyone wishing to place memorial or celebration
flowers in the chancel. Please contact Kay Hayes at 416-447-9416.

Each year at Easter, the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Women have the Sanctuary decorated with Easter flowers. Donations made to the flower fund at this time in memory of loved ones will enable you to participate in the floral celebration of Easter and the beautification of the Sanctuary throughout the year. Easter flower forms and envelopes are available in the Narthex, Centre Hall and South tables. To ensure enough time to prepare the memorial list for the Easter calendar, please complete the form and place it on the offering plate or leave it in the Church Office by **April 6**.

Christ is made the sure foundation

1. Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the Head and cornerstone,
Chosen of the Lord and precious,
Binding all the church in one,
Holy Zion's help forever,
And her confidence alone.

2. To this temple, where we call Thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, today:
With Thy wonted loving kindness
Hear Thy servants as they pray,
And Thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls alway.

3. Here vouchsafe to all Thy servants
What they ask of Thee to gain,
What they gain from Thee forever
With the blessed to retain,
And hereafter in Thy glory
Evermore with Thee to reign.

4. Praise and honour to the Father,
Praise and honour to the Son,
Praise and honour to the Spirit,
Ever three, and ever one,
One in might and one in glory,
While eternal ages run.

1. Jesus loves the little children,
For He said one day,
"Let the children come unto me,
Keep them not away."

 2. There are many little children
Who have never heard
Of His love and tender kindness,
Of His holy word.

 3. I would tell these little children,
If they all could hear,
How He spoke to the disciples
With the children near.

 4. Listen, now, while we repeat it.
Hark! 'Tis very sweet,
I should think 'twould make the children
Hasten Him to meet.
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1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
come bow before Him now with reverence and fear:
in Him no sin is found;
we stand on holy ground.

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned:
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around:

He come to cleanse and heal,
to minister with grace.

No work too hard for Him,
In faith, receive from Him.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

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MATT. xvii. 1-8.

'TIS good, Lord, to be here !
Thy glory fills the night ;
Thy face and garments, like the sun,
Shine with unborrowed light.

2 'Tis good, Lord, to be here,
Thy beauty to behold,
Where Moses and Elijah stand,
Thy messengers of old.

3 Fulfiller of the past !
Promise of things to be !
We hail Thy body glorified,
And our redemption see.

4 Before we taste of death,
We see Thy Kingdom come ;
We fain would hold the vision bright,
And make this hill our home.

5 'Tis good, Lord, to be here !
Yet we may not remain ;
But since Thou bidst us leave the mount
Come with us to the plain.

**ART GALLERY - Doug Purdon – “Capturing Light”
February 21 – March 30**



Atmospheric effects of light and weather are the unifying theme of Purdon’s seascapes, landscapes and cityscapes. Respected teacher, award-winner and artist-in-residence for Winsor & Newton in Ontario, Purdon is fluent in the techniques of watercolour, acrylic and oil. He is primarily known for his oils of sea and sky.

PRAYERS

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

Today the Annual Business Meeting will be held in the Heritage Room following the morning service.

7pm – An Iona Liturgy - The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching

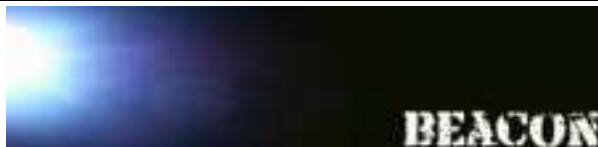
YOU ARE INVITED TO THE



Did you miss the deadline for the Church Retreat on May 30-June 1st? If so, we still have a few days left to confirm rooms with the Centre. Please contact Miriam Little or Amy Charette as soon as possible and get your form in.

Baptismal Service will take place during our 11am service on April 13. If you are interested in being baptized and/or joining the church, please speak with one of the ministers.

A service for **Presentation of Infants and Dedication of Parents** will be held during our 11am service on May 11 (Mother’s Day). If interested, please speak with one of the ministers.



11:15am – Youth go to Cameron Hall for Doxa after the Children’s Moment*

(*The 3rd Sunday of the month is Serve Sunday where youth are encouraged to use their gifts to serve the church. Youth are encouraged to remain in and participate in the morning worship service. Please speak with Sam for details.)

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 quarterly 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. And 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 or mail it to us.*
- *Downstairs in the lower level, there are bulletin boards where we hang some church-related 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.*
- **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.*

SAVE THE DATES

Contact Judy MacDonald at 416-225-8295.



June 12 – Stratford Bus Trip “Crazy for You”
Lunch at Keystone Alley. Cost: \$160.



October 16 – Shaw Festival Bus Trip
(Niagara-on-the-Lake) “Philadelphia Story”
Lunch at the Prince of Wales. Cost: \$150.

CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOOD BANK

The Churches on-the-Hill Food Bank is in need of 3 volunteers who are available one Wednesday a month from 10:15am to 12:45pm. Some basic familiarity with the computer and a friendly attitude are needed. A commitment of 2 years would be appreciated (25 sessions). Please contact Annette at dukszta@sympatico.ca for more information.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- Please see the latest health information: **"Fighting Insomnia"** - available in the Narthex, Centre Hall, and by contacting Parish Nurse, Cathy Newman RN BScN CPMHNC at 416-922-1428/416-358-6453 or by email: parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com.
- Cathy is available Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. All communications are strictly confidential.
- Starting in the spring, Yorkminster Park is offering a free Arthritis Self Management Program. For more than 20 years, The Arthritis Society has helped tens of thousands of people with arthritis improve their lives through this program, and you too can benefit! Contact Parish Nurse, Cathy Newman for more information.

Prayers in the Chapel. Each Tuesday at 9:30 am, 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.

Greater Toronto East Prayer Breakfast, March 4, 7 a.m.

Grand Baccus Conference Centre, 2155 McNicholl Ave. Scarborough

Speaker: Sheila Walsh • Soloist: Rev. Gary Beesley

For tickets and more information - <http://www.gteastprayer.ca/>

PASTORS' PANCAKE SUPPER

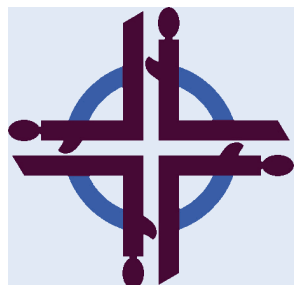
Tuesday, March 4, 2014, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

"Four star pancakes" prepared by our famous chefs:

Peter Holmes, Dale Rose, Sam Lee, Cathy Newman and Miriam Little

In Support of the Children's Mission Project 'Kids Care' to help our STEP partner in Lebanon as they minister to Syrian Refugees.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



Please join with the congregations of the Churches on the Hill at Timothy Eaton Memorial Church (230 St. Clair Ave. West) on **Friday March 7, 2014 at 1:00 pm** for the World Day of Prayer. Refreshments will follow the program. This year's service was written by the women of Egypt who chose the theme "Streams in the Desert." Come and learn more about this fascinating country. All are welcome.

GOD'S GIFT OF LIFE by Larry Beman

A Lenten Study based on the Revised Common Lectionary

Lent is a time of spiritual reflection and growth. For the fourth year, we will gather in groups of eight to ten in our homes, church, coffee shops and office cafeterias to encourage that growth. Available in the Narthex and Centre Hall for \$10.

Weekly Gatherings begin March 3 – April 11, 2014

Lent is an ideal time to pray and reflect on the gift of life God offers to us through Jesus Christ. Traditionally, it is a time of repentance, fasting, and preparation for the coming Easter. In God's Gift of Life, Larry Beman invites us to create a holy space for Bible study and open our hearts and minds through self-examination and reflection so that we might grow in our faith. He brings a relaxed and invitational tone to the study of the Scriptures and includes personal stories that help us to apply them to our daily lives.

Larry Beman helps readers experience the blessings of the life given to us through the ministry, suffering, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The study should not exceed 45 minutes and will involve the entire group, facilitated by a leader and a host/ess. Please contact Dale Rose at the church on 416-922-1420 or by email at drose@yorkminsterpark.com for more information.

We have a number of small Lenten studies happening in different venues. Not all the existing groups are listed here, but the groups below are open for new members.

Please use the sign-up sheets provided in the Narthex and the Yorkminster Park Centre Hall.

Sundays – 12:30 pm

– beginning March 9th

Location – Room 504 at YPBC

Leader & Host: Sam Lee

Wednesdays – 7:30am

– beginning March 5th

Location – Marche, Brookfield Place
(Yonge/Front Streets)

Leader & Host: Alana Walker Carpenter

Tuesdays – 10:00 am (Women's Study)

– beginning March 11th

Location – Friendship Room at YPBC

Leader & Host: Carol Belford

Thursdays – 12:00 Noon

– beginning March 6th

Location – YPBC – Library

Leader & Host: Ruth Farrow

Tuesdays – 7:00 pm

– beginning March 4th

Location – Yonge/St. Clair

Leader: David Dorapalli

Host: Danielle Ching

Thursdays – 7:00 pm

– beginning March 6th

Location: YPBC – Room 502

Leader: Paula Willis

Host: Kim Aikenhead

Wednesdays – 7:00 pm

– beginning March 5th

Location – Friendship Room at YPBC

Leader: Peter Holmes

Thursdays – 7:00 pm

– beginning March 6th

Location: Avenue Road/Hwy 401

Leader: John Speller

Host: Carol Voaden

Wednesdays – 7:00 pm

– beginning March 5th

Location: Room 502 – YPBC

Leader: Stuart Campbell

Thursdays – 7:30 pm

– beginning March 6th

Location: Home of Tom & Kay Hayes

Leader: Dale Rose

THIS WEEK AT YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH



Tuesday, March 4	10:00am	Dorcas Group, Youth Zone Room 508
	5:00pm	Pancake Supper, Heritage Room
	5:30pm	Joint Deacons/Finance Meeting, Library
	7:00pm	Board of Deacons, Friendship
	7:00pm	Board of Finance & Admin, Red Boardroom
Wednesday, March 5	6:00pm	Out of the Cold, Gym and Heritage Room
	7:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Friendship Room
	7:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502
Thursday, March 6	10:00am	YP Women's Executive, Administrative Boardroom 502
	12:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Library
	7:30pm	Senior Choir, Cameron Hall
Friday, March 7	7:00pm	YP Trailblazers Volleyball, Gym

Next Sunday: March 9, 2014

**Daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 9.
Please remember to set your clocks ahead at 2am.**

We are pleased to announce that on Sunday, March 9, Yorkminster Park Baptist Church will host the Vice-Regal party for the occasion of the Commonwealth address; a very short speech will be read on behalf of the Queen at the conclusion of our worship. We look forward to welcoming The Honourable David C. Onley and the Honourable Ruth Ann Onley.

11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
12:30pm Lenten Bible Study, Room 504
7:00pm The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

YPBC News

Items for the March edition of the YPBC News will be received until **14 March 2014**. This will be the Pre-Easter edition and items reflecting this theme should be considered. Items/articles should be submitted electronically with the text being in WORD format and photos/illustrations in JPEG. Please send to pilgrim.h@sympatico.ca