

JANUARY 4, 2015

CHRISTMAS II  
EPIPHANY SUNDAY



# Yorkminster Park

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## BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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The Rev. Dale Rose  
*Minister of Pastoral Care*

The Rev. Deborah Ban  
*Minister of Discipleship*

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

Mrs. Miriam Little  
*Director of Children's Ministries*

Mr. Brennan Rabbets  
*Interim Director of Youth*

Mrs. Cathy Newman RN BScN  
*Parish Nurse*

The Rev. Dr. William A. Sturgess  
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# MORNING WORSHIP

JANUARY 4, 2015

## CHRISTMAS II EPIPHANY SUNDAY

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

### Prelude

Hostis Herodis impie  
Communion (Suite Liturgique)

*Flor Peeters  
Denis Bédard*

### Processional Hymn 91 – Brightest and best (Epiphany Hymn )

#### Call to Worship

(Isaiah 60:1-6)

**The Rev. Deborah Ban**

Leader: Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

**People: For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.**

Leader: Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

**People: Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.**

Leader: Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.

**People: A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

#### Introit – (congregation seated) **A sound of angels**

*Christopher Tye*

A sound of angels from afar fills all the quiet air, And Ah! how full of gladness are the tidings that they bear. The shepherds run to Bethlehem town to see a wondrous sight, The Lord of Lords to earth come down is born for men tonight. Yea, Christ is born, our heav'nly king, salvation now is nigh, So all mankind with angels sing, Glory to God on high.

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

**The Rev. Dale Rose**

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

#### Hymn \*SHB 65 – Meekness and majesty (Meekness)

#### Prayer with the Children

**The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

**Wonderfully Made**

**Vaughn**

#### Announcements

**Holy Scripture – Ephesians 3:1-12** (NT p.205-6)  
**Matthew 15:21-28** (NT p.17)

**Len Jillard**

#### Pastoral Prayer (*seated*)

**The Rev. Deborah Ban**

#### Choral Response

*W. Maddox*

O keep my soul and deliver me, for I have put my trust in Thee. Amen.

**Offering** – *So bring him incense, gold and myrrh; come peasant, king to own Him.  
The King of Kings salvation brings; let loving hearts enthrone Him.*

**Anthem – The Shepherds’ Farewell (L’Enfance du Christ)** *Héctor Berlioz*

Thou must leave thy lowly dwelling, the humble crib, the stable bare, Babe, all mortal babes  
excelling, content our earthly lot to share. Loving father, loving mother, shelter thee with  
tender care! Blessed Jesus, we implore thee with humble love and holy fear, In the land that  
lies before thee, forget not us who linger here! May the shepherds’ lowly calling ever to thy  
heart be dear!

Blest are ye beyond all measure, Thou happy father, mother mild! Guard ye well your  
heav’nly treasure, the Prince of Peace, the Holy Child! God go with you, God protect you;  
guide you safely through the wild!

**Doxology** Hymn 766

**Sermon – CRUMBS TO CROWNS**

**The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

**Hymn \*SHB 116 – When Christ’s appearing was made known** (St. Thomas Becket)

### **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**Choral Preparation – Brightest and best**

*Stella Orientis*

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning, dawn on our darkness and lend us Thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

**Invitation to the Table**

**The Rev. Dale Rose**

**Words of Institution**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**The Rev. Deborah Ban**

**Distribution of the Elements**

**Recessional Hymn 90 – As with gladness men of old** (Dix)

**Benediction**

**The Rev. Deborah Ban**

**Choral Amen** (Udell in A)

**Postlude** In Dir ist Freude

*Johann Sebastian Bach*

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*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*

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### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

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

**CARL AND MYRTLE BULL**

*By Doug and Pat, Victor and Charlotte*

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### **COMMUNION**

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

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**4:30pm – An Iona Liturgy – The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching**

**B**RIGHTEST and best of the sons of the  
morning,

Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

2 Cold on His cradle the dew-drops are shining;  
Low lies His head with the beasts of the stall;  
Angels adore Him, in slumber reclining,  
Maker and monarch, and Saviour of all.

3 Say, shall we yield Him, in costly devotion,  
Odours of Edom, and offerings divine;  
Gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean,  
Myrrh from the forest, or gold from the mine?

4 Vainly we offer each ample oblation;  
Vainly with gifts would His favour secure;  
Richer by far is the heart's adoration;  
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

5 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,  
Dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid;  
Star of the east, the horizon adorning,  
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

## 65

1. Meekness and majesty, manhood and Deity,  
in perfect harmony the man who is God:  
Lord of eternity dwells in humanity,  
kneels in humility and washes our feet.

*O what a mystery, meekness and majesty:  
bow down and worship, for this is your God,  
this is your God.*

2. Father's pure radiance, perfect in innocence,  
yet learns obedience to death on a Cross:  
suff'ring to give us life, conquering through sacrifice,  
and as they crucify, prays, 'Father, forgive.'

3. Wisdom unsearchable, God the invisible,  
love indestructible in frailty appears:  
Lord of infinity, stooping so tenderly,  
lifts our humanity to the heights of His throne.

1. When Christ's appearing was made known,  
King Herod trembled for his throne;  
but he who offers heavenly birth  
sought not the kingdoms of this earth

2. The eastern sages saw from far  
and followed on his guiding star;  
by light their way to light they trod,  
and by their gifts confessed their God.

3. And O what miracle divine,  
when water reddened into wine!  
He spake the word, and forth it flowed  
in streams that nature ne'er bestowed.

4. All glory, Jesus, be to thee  
for this thy glad epiphany:  
whom with the Father we adore  
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

MATTHEW II, 1-11

As with gladness men of old  
Did the guiding star behold;  
As with joy they hailed its light,  
Leading onward, beaming bright,  
So, most gracious God, may we  
Evermore be led to Thee.

2 As with joyful steps they sped,  
Saviour, to Thy lowly bed,  
There to bend the knee before  
Thee whom heaven and earth adore,  
So may we with willing feet  
Ever seek Thy mercy-seat.

3 As they offered gifts most rare  
At Thy cradle rude and bare,  
So may we with holy joy,  
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,  
All our costliest treasures bring,  
Christ, to Thee, our heavenly King.

4 Holy Jesus, every day  
Keep us in the narrow way;  
And, when earthly things are past,  
Bring our ransomed souls at last  
Where they need no star to guide,  
Where no clouds Thy glory hide.

5 In the heavenly country bright  
Need they no created light;  
Thou its light, its joy, its crown,  
Thou its sun, which goes not down.  
There for ever may we sing  
Hallelujahs to our King.

*W. C. Dix, 1837-98*

## PRAYERS

Yorkminster Park endeavors to be a people of Prayer. We believe that personal intimacy with God our Savior in prayer is the privilege and responsibility of every believer. We must live our lives through prayer and trusting God! If you wish to submit a request to the ministry team, please email [prayer@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:prayer@yorkminsterpark.com)

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.

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**Prayers in the Chapel.** 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."

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

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### Thank you for all you have done!

Bethlehem on Yonge, our presentation of the Nativity, was a huge success. Though rain and wind were predicted, we were gifted with calm, dry weather. 409 people from around the community and across the nation were greeted, escorted, taught and fed. Christ was honoured, God was indeed glorified and the Holy Spirit was present with us. This was due in no small part to the efforts of the 80 volunteers. Thank you to those who served on the set up and take down crew, made and gave out cookies and hot chocolate, and greeted our guests. Thank to each one who was a character, guide, census taker and singer! We, and our community, have been blessed by your gift of time.

**Thank you!**

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## HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Coming Soon - The Parish Nurse's office will be "The Health and Wellness Resource Centre" located in Room 403 beside Cameron Hall.

The Parish Nurse is available Sundays 9am-3pm; Tuesdays 9am-3pm;  
Wednesdays 3pm-6pm and Thursdays by appointment.

Please see the latest Health Bulletin in the Narthex and Center Hall. This week's topic: Head Injuries in Children.

If you would like more information or to discuss any health matter,  
please contact Parish Nurse Cathy Newman RN  
at 416-922-1428 or mobile 416 358-6453

by email: [parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com).

All communications are strictly confidential.

Watch for NEW opportunities for your  
Spiritual Growth & Discipleship

New Life Groups  New Lenten Study  
New Bible Study Topics

If you have an interest in joining or leading, please contact  
the Rev. Deborah Ban, Minister of Discipleship, [dban@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:dban@yorkminsterpark.com)

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## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

### What's Up in Children's Ministries

Each week in this space we will let you know what our kids are learning so you can pray for them and encourage them!



**First Look (Preschool and Kindergarten)** – The monthly theme for January is “Jesus wants to be my friend forever” and the memory verse is: “You are everything I need.” Psalm 119:57, NlrV. The Bible story this week is from John 9:1-7 where Jesus shows He has the power to help people when He heals a blind man so he can see. The bottom line we want children to learn is that “I need Jesus”.



**252Basics (Grades 1 to 5)** – The monthly theme is COMMITMENT, Making a plan and putting it into practice. And the MEMORY VERSE is “Training the body has some value. But being godly has value in every way” taken from 1 Timothy 4:8a, NlrV. This week's lesson is about Sand & Rock from Matthew 7:24-27. The bottom line we want children to learn is to practice hearing what God says.

If you have questions about Children's Ministries and how you can be involved, speak to Miriam Little 416-922-1361.

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## BOARD OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

- 2015 general offering envelopes are in the Narthex today. Please pick up your set.
- The 2015 YP Women's Envelopes are also in the Narthex.
- This bulletin was printed before the end of the year, so it is too early to report on any results. We thank you for all of the contributions that you made during the year.



## CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOODBANK

**January's** Food of the Month suggested donation is **Canned Fruit**.

Please support your Churches On-the-Hill Foodbank to help those in need. Donations can be left in the donation box in the Centre Hall just outside the Sanctuary (north east exit), near the doors to the Friendship Room. On behalf of the clients and volunteers at the COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.

**YOUTH MINISTRY • brabbets@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 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. Please speak  
with Brennan for details.

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**THIS WEEK AT YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH**

<b>Tuesday, January 6</b>	<b>12:10pm</b>	Lunchtime Chamber Music Series – Rising Stars Recital
	<b>5:30pm</b>	Joint Deacons/Finance Executive, Library
	<b>7:00pm</b>	Board of Deacons, Friendship Room
	<b>7:00pm</b>	Board of Finance and Administration, Red Boardroom
<b>Thursday, January 8</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	YP Women's Executive, Administrative Boardroom 502
	<b>12:30pm</b>	Afternoon Mission Fellowship, Friendship Room
<b>Friday, January 9</b>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Youth Games Night, Room 508

**Next Sunday, January 11 – The Baptism of the Lord**

11am - The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

12:30 pm – Art Reception with Ila Kellermann, Centre Hall

4:30pm – The Rev. Joanne Davies – Paula Willis Ordination

**A Service of Ordination for Paula Willis** will be held at Yorkminster Park next Sunday, January 11 at 4:30 p.m. Paula is the Chair of our Board of Christian Education and serves as a chaplain at Mt. Sinai Hospital and at the Grace Hospital. We look forward to celebrating this great milestone in her calling to Christian ministry.

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**COME JOIN US**

Helpers are needed to take down the Christmas trees in the Sanctuary at 8:00am on **Tuesday, January 6, 2015**. We will remove the lights, disassemble the branches, and pack everything away until next year.

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**DORCAS GROUP**



**Dorcas begins again on Tuesday, January 6, 2015 in room 508 at 10:00 am.**

We would love to have you join us for a time of fellowship, while we knit/crochet articles and garments for those less fortunate. We also trim stamps for the Canadian Bible Society and soup labels which help to purchase sports equipment. Bring your lunch and coffee/tea will be provided. See you there!

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**LUNCHTIME CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES** (9sparrowsarts.org)  
**Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at 12:10pm – Rising Stars Recital**

## WHAT DOES EVE HAVE TO DO WITH TRAUMATIZED WOMEN?



The Yorkminster Park Afternoon Mission Fellowship invites you to start your year by joining Baptist women across Canada in the annual Great Canadian Bible Study and mission project. Explore the Legacy of Eve with Bible study leader Carol Belford. Then give your toonies to help women in the Democratic Republic of Congo who have been traumatized by rape and sexual violence. Since 2012, this project has raised more than \$24,000 for medical assistance, trauma counselling, workshops to reduce discrimination against victims and their children, and microcredit programs to get survivors started on a new life. Come to the Friendship Room at **12:30 on Thursday, January 8**. Please bring a sandwich.

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## ART GALLERY – JANUARY SHOW

**Ila Kellermann – Remark**



***Reception – Sunday, January 11, 2015 at 12:30pm***

Kellermann's work celebrates and documents the tenacity and timelessness of nature. Her mark making explores the iconography and stewardship of landscapes and their inhabitants, while her ever-expanding membrane of colour and contemporary approach articulate her passions for our environment.

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## WEDNESDAY NOONDAY ORGAN RECITALS • January 14, 2015

Imre Olah, Organist and Music Director at Caven Presbyterian Church, Bolton

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## YPBC WOMEN'S RETREAT - JUST AS I AM: BODY AND SOUL

An exploration of self-acceptance

**SATURDAY JANUARY 17, 2015 - 9 AM to 3:30 PM**

at NOVOTEL, North York, 3 Park Home Ave., Gibson Ballroom  
FACILITATOR: Cindy Mosey. Cindy has capably led two of our previous retreats and is a committed Christian and a Social Worker by profession.

FEE: \$45 - Cheques payable to YPBC Women -

**January 10, 2015 cut-off date.**

Please see DETAILS on Registration Form.

Light refreshments and a full hot lunch will be served with vegetarian and gluten free options available.

Registration Forms are available on the Centre Hall bulletin board beside our poster and on a table in the Narthex.

All women are warmly invited to this soul-nurturing day-apart.



LIVE is the new name of the magazine formerly known as Link & Visitor. It is "a Baptist resource for women on a mission." Subscriptions are due for renewal in January. Small envelopes will be available in the Centre Hall and in the Narthex. Please put your cheque for \$20 payable to Yorkminster Park Women's Ministries in an envelope, and place it on the offering plate. Please be sure to include your name and address. If you have any questions, please contact Marilyn Brady at 416 265-2616.

## PRIME TIMERS

Our great friend, Corey Keeble, Curator Emeritus, Royal Ontario Museum, will be our special guest on **Tuesday, January 20 at 12:30 p.m.** to offer an illustrated talk about the treasures of St. Petersburg. Come early and bring your own lunch.

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**Please submit Annual Reports to the Church Office by January 25, 2015.**

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## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND • May 11 to 23, 2015 - 13 Days

This special journey will be led by Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes and Corey Keeble, Curator Emeritus of the Royal Ontario Museum, and will include time in Galilee, Nazareth, Mount Hermon, Golan, Nimrod, Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Tiberias, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Masada, and other Biblical sites. We will have an overnight by the sea outside Tel Aviv, four nights in Tiberias, in the heart of the Galilee region and six nights in Jerusalem. Visiting these sites with a pilgrim's heart can bring the Biblical stories to life and transform one's faith. Travel arrangements will be made through Craig Travel of Toronto. Full details will be available in a couple of months. To have your name on the list of those interested in receiving more information, please speak with Mary Stevens.

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## WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be with us, 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.

- Parking is FREE on Sunday mornings until 12:45 pm. at City Parking at Alvin Ave. (one street east of Yonge & St. Clair). *Don't forget to have your ticket stamped in the Narthex.*
- 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. Hearing assistance available. Please speak with our volunteer at the Narthex Information table.
- Nursery is available for newborn to 2 years old from 10:50 am and classes for toddlers to grade 5 after the Children's Prayer.
- Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Narthex, reached through the Sanctuary. We invite you to participate with us.
- The morning service is webcast live and archived on our website and all morning and evening worship services are recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the Audio Desk in the Narthex.

Please find our quarterly newsletter on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.

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.

If you wish to know more about Yorkminster Park or if you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please contact the Church Office, [info@yorkminsterpark.com](mailto:info@yorkminsterpark.com) or 416-922-1167.

- Downstairs in the lower level, there are bulletin boards where we post some church-related and community-related events. Next time you are in the lower level, take a moment to browse all of the events that are happening in our community.