FEBRUARY 22, 2015

LENT I



Yorkminster Park BAPTIST CHURCH

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MORNING WORSHIP • FEBRUARY 22, 2015 • LENT I

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ

Prelude Audi, benign conditor

Flor Peeters

Vater unser

Samuel Scheidt

Processional Hymn 37 – Ye servants of God (Laudate Dominum)

Call to Worship The Rev. Dale Rose

Introit - (congregation seated) Call to remembrance

Richard Farrant

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies and thy loving kindness,

which hath been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:

but according to thy mercy think thou on me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer (sung Amen)

The Rev. Dale Rose

Responsive Psalm 25:1-10 (OT p.554)

The Rev. Dale Rose

Gloria Patri - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Hymn *SHB 120 – Won't you let me be your servant (Servant Song)

Prayer with the Children

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Wonderfully Made

Sophie

Announcements

Window on the World

The Rev. Karen Robinson and Sue Ericsson

Holy Scripture – Proverbs 19:1-8 (OT p.666-667)

The Rev. Barbara Fuller

Mark 8:27-38 (NT p.44-45)

Pastoral Prayer (seated)

The Rev. Deborah Ban

Choral Response

C. M. Palmer

Save, Lord, and hear us, O King of heaven, when we call upon thee. Amen.

Offering – Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)

Anthem – Let nothing ever grieve Thee

Johannes Brahms

Let nothing ever grieve thee, distress thee, nor fret thee;

Heed God's good will, my soul, be still, compose thee.

Why brood all day in sorrow? Tomorrow will bring thee

God's help benign and grace sublime in mercy.

Be true in all endeavour and ever ply bravely,

What God decrees brings joy and peace, He'll stay thee. Amen.

Doxology Hymn 766

Hymn *SHB 89 – Speak Lord, in the stillness (Quietude)

Sermon - WELL WITH THE SOUL

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Recessional Hymn 426 – And can it be (Sagina)

Benediction The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen (Maddox in the Dorian mode)

Postlude Wer nur den lieben, BWV 642

Johann Sebastian Bach

*SHB – Supplementary Hymn Book "Sing to God's Glory"

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

Yes servants of God,
Your Master proclaim,
And publish abroad
His wonderful name;
The name all-victorious
Of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious,
And rules over all.

2 God ruleth on high,
Almighty to save;
And still He is nigh,
His presence we have;
The great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
Ascribing salvation
To Jesus our King.

3 "Salvation to God
Who sits on the throne",
Let all cry aloud,
And honour the Son;
The praises of Jesus
The angels proclaim,
Fall down on their faces,
And worship the Lamb.

And give Him His right,—
All glory and power,
All wisdom and might;
All honour and blessing,
With angels above;
And thanks never-ceasing,
And infinite love.

- 1. Won't you let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace To let you be my servant, too.
- 2. We are pilgrims on a journey, We are travellers on the road; We are here to help each other Go the mile and bear the load.
- 3. I will hold the Christ-light for you In the shadow of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.
- 4. I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh, I'll laugh with you, I will share your joy and sorrow Till we've seen this journey through.
- 5. When we sing to God in Heaven We shall find such harmony, Born of all we've known together Of Christ's love and agony.
- 6. Repeat verse 1.

- 1. Speak Lord, in the stillness, While I wait on Thee; Hushed my heart to listen, In expectancy.
- 2. Speak, O blessed Master, In this quiet hour; Let me see Thy face, Lord, Feel Thy touch of power.
- 3. For the words Thou speakest, They are life indeed; Living bread from heaven, Now my spirit feed.
- 4. Speak, Thy servant heareth, Be not silent, Lord; Waits my soul upon Thee For the quickening word.
- 5. Fill me with the knowledge Of Thy glorious will; All Thine own good pleasure In Thy child fulfill.

AND can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Saviour's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

- 2 'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies: Who can explore His strange design? In vain the first-born seraph tries To sound the depths of love divine. 'Tis mercy all! let earth adore, Let angel minds inquire no more.
- 3 He left His Father's throne above—
 So free, so infinite His grace—
 Emptied Himself of all but love,
 And bled for Adam's helpless race.
 'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
 For, O my God, it found out me!
- 4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
 Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
 Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—
 I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
 My chains fell off, my heart was free,
 I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.
- Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!
 Alive in Him, my living Head,
 And clothed in righteousness divine,
 Bold I approach the eternal throne,
 And claim the crown, through Christ, my own.

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

OUR PARENTS

By Lothar and Renate Renters

PRAYERS

Yorkminster Park endeavours to be a people of Prayer. We believe that personal intimacy with God our Saviour 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.

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.

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 10 am to 3 pm and Wednesday 10 am to 12:30 pm.

HYMN SING with Yorkminster Citadel Salvation Army Band TODAY at 4:30 pm

TRANSPORTATION NOTE

To all members who use the services of either Wheel Trans or a taxi to get to and from the Church on Sunday mornings: Please instruct all dispatchers to send the drivers to the Centre Hall glass doors (Art Gallery) at 1585 Yonge Street for pick up. Please wait in this area for the driver to come and get you when they arrive.



You are invited...

to grow with YP Reflects

What better time than Lent to recommit to following Jesus in community with

fellow believers. Beginning this week, members of the YPBC family will share devotionals reflecting on God's extravagant generosity, and our response as stewards of all God's spiritual and material gifts. We invite you to read them on YPReflects.com and contemplate your own commitment to upholding the body of Christ at YPBC with your gifts. May your faith and the life of our community be enriched through both reflection and action.

YPBC Stewardship Committee

ART GALLERY - MARCH SHOW

Victoria Cowan – The Ghost Stories • Opening Reception TODAY, 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm



Victoria Cowan begins each of her works with the "ghost" version (the second printing) of a plate. From there she incorporates a text which becomes hidden in layers of multiple printings. Cowan's artwork serves as a compelling metaphor for time, memory, distortion and belief.

YP WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

SALT AND LEAVEN POTLUCK SUPPER FOR ALL WOMEN...

Monday February 23, 6:30 pm at the home of Janet Holmes - 12 Weybourne Crescent All women are warmly invited to come and share a meal together in a relaxing and encouraging environment. This month, Heather Hetherington, YPBC's former Parish Nurse, will briefly share her current volunteer interests. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends, enjoy lively conversation and be refreshed. We look forward to welcoming you.

YPBC Women's Ministries

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

This group is an initiative of the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church Women. We meet at 7pm in the Friendship Room on the fourth Tuesday of the month.



If you are interested in knitting or crocheting we encourage you to join us for an evening of fellowship and of creating shawls to be given to people in need of comfort. In the two and a half years we have been meeting, approximately 140 shawls have been given out and are much appreciated by the recipients. We welcome new people to join us and we would welcome back

those who have not recently attended.

If you are less experienced in these skills, assistance is available. Yarn and needles are also provided.

Please consider joining us this coming Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 7pm.

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 February is "Jesus wants to be my friend forever." and the memory verse is: "How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18, NIV. The Bible story this week is from LUKE 10:38-42, Mary and Martha learn how important it is to spend time with Jesus when He comes to visit them.



252Basics (Grades 1 to 5) – The monthly theme is KINDNESS, Showing others they are valuable by how you treat them. The MEMORY VERSE is "Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31, NIrV. This week's lesson is about Barnabas and Saul as taken from *Acts 9:26-30. The* BOTTOM LINE we want our kids to know is, "Be kind to people who aren't kind to you".

Saturday, February 28, 5:00 - 7:30pm - The Gathering...

is an event offering a time to be a community of all ages and stages

Centred on Christ • Expressing creativity • Building relationships
Eating together • Celebrating God through worship • Faith stories shared
Please join! - Bring your family, friends and neighbours.

For information and to register: contact Deborah Ban dban@yorkminsterpark.com, or Miriam Little mlittle@yorkminsterpark.com

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

Tired of this winter weather?



Join your friends from the Churches on the Hill for a video trip to the Bahamas. Celebrate the World Day of Prayer service on **Saturday March 7**, **2015 at 1:00 pm** at St. John's Lutheran Latvian Church at 200 Balmoral Avenue (2 blocks south of St Clair Avenue, west of Avenue Road.)

This service was written by a committee from the Bahamas. The theme features John 13: 12 with Jesus saying "Do you know what I have done to you?"

A reception will follow the service. All are welcome.

YP NEWS

Articles/items for the Easter edition of the YPBC News will be received until **March 7**. Text should be in Microsoft Word, non-formatted, and photos/illustrations in JPEG.

Please send to: pilgrim.h@sympatico.ca

THIS WEEK AT YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Monday, February 23	7:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Library
Tuesday, February 24	9:30am	Prayers, Chapel
	10:00am	Dorcas Group, Room 508
	10:00am	Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
	12:10pm	Lunchtime Chamber Music Series – Rising Stars Recital
	6:30pm	Lenten Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502
	7:00pm	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group, Friendship Room
Wednesday, February 25	12:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Library
	12:30pm	Noonday Organ Recital – Thomas Fitches
	7:00pm	Board of Music, Red Boardroom
	7:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Friendship Room
Thursday, February 26	7:00am	Lenten Bible Study, Friendship Room
	10:00am	Moms Care and Share Life Group, Room 508
	7:00pm	Lenten Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502
	7:00pm	Prayerful Life Group, Friendship Room
	7:30pm	Don Mills Bible Study, offsite
	7:30pm	Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall
Friday, February 27	6:00pm	Life Group, Friendship Room
	7:00pm	YP Trailblazers Volleyball Drop In, Gym
Saturday, February 28	5:00pm	The Gathering, Cameron Hall

Next Sunday, March 1 - Lent II

9:15am	Minster Singers, Heritage Room
9:45am	Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am	A Pilgrimage with Jesus Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502
10:00am	Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
10:00am	Parents Life Group, Room 508
10:00am	Youth Bible Study, Room 510
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – The Sacrament of Holy Communion
12:30pm	Full Life Group, Room 508
7:00pm	The Rev. Dale Rose – An Iona Liturgy

MARCH 8 – COMMONWEALTH SUNDAY

We are pleased to announce that on Sunday, March 8, 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 Elizabeth Dowdeswell, OC, OOnt

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting will be held in the Heritage Room on **Sunday, March 8** following the morning worship service; for the purpose of considering and approving the proposed budget for 2015. Minutes of the November 23, 2014 Fall Business Meeting, the 2014 Annual Reports and the Proposed Consolidated Budget for 2015 are available in the Narthex and Centre Hall. Please bring a bag lunch.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE

FREE weekly exercise classes now available at Yorkminster Park!!

- Led by Fitness Professionals.
- Suitable for All!
- Beginning week of March 16, 2015 with choice of Wednesday morning or Friday noon hour Please contact Parish Nurse, Cathy for more details.

The Parish Nurse's office is now "The Health and Wellness Resource Centre" located in Room 403 beside Cameron Hall.

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

Please see the latest Health Bulletin in the Narthex and Center Hall.

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 or by email: parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com.

All communications are strictly confidential.

CALENDAR NOTICES

Please note that items for inclusion are due on the Tuesday prior to the Sunday when you would like your item to be included in the calendar. In an effort to streamline the calendar, we are endeavouring to publish one announcement/Board or Committee notice a maximum of twice a month.

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, March 29, 11:00 am

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

This service will include a children's procession of palms and

the hymns of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem.

Palm Sunday, March 29, 4:30 pm - Music for Passiontide

The YPBC Choir and William Maddox present music of the season.

Holy Monday, March 30, 7:30 pm

A one hour service of devotions and prayers with special music.

Guest Speaker: Lorna Dueck

Holy Tuesday, March 31, 7:30 pm

A one hour service of devotions and prayers with special music.

Guest Speaker: Sister Sue Mosteller

Holy Wednesday, April 1, 7:30 pm

A one hour service of devotions and prayers with special music.

Guest Speaker: Rick Tobias

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 7:30 pm - Tenebrae Service

Sermon: The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

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 - April 3, 11:00 am

Sermon: The Rev. Dale Rose

This 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.

The 22nd Ecumenical Good Friday Walk, April 3, 12:30 pm

From YPBC 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.