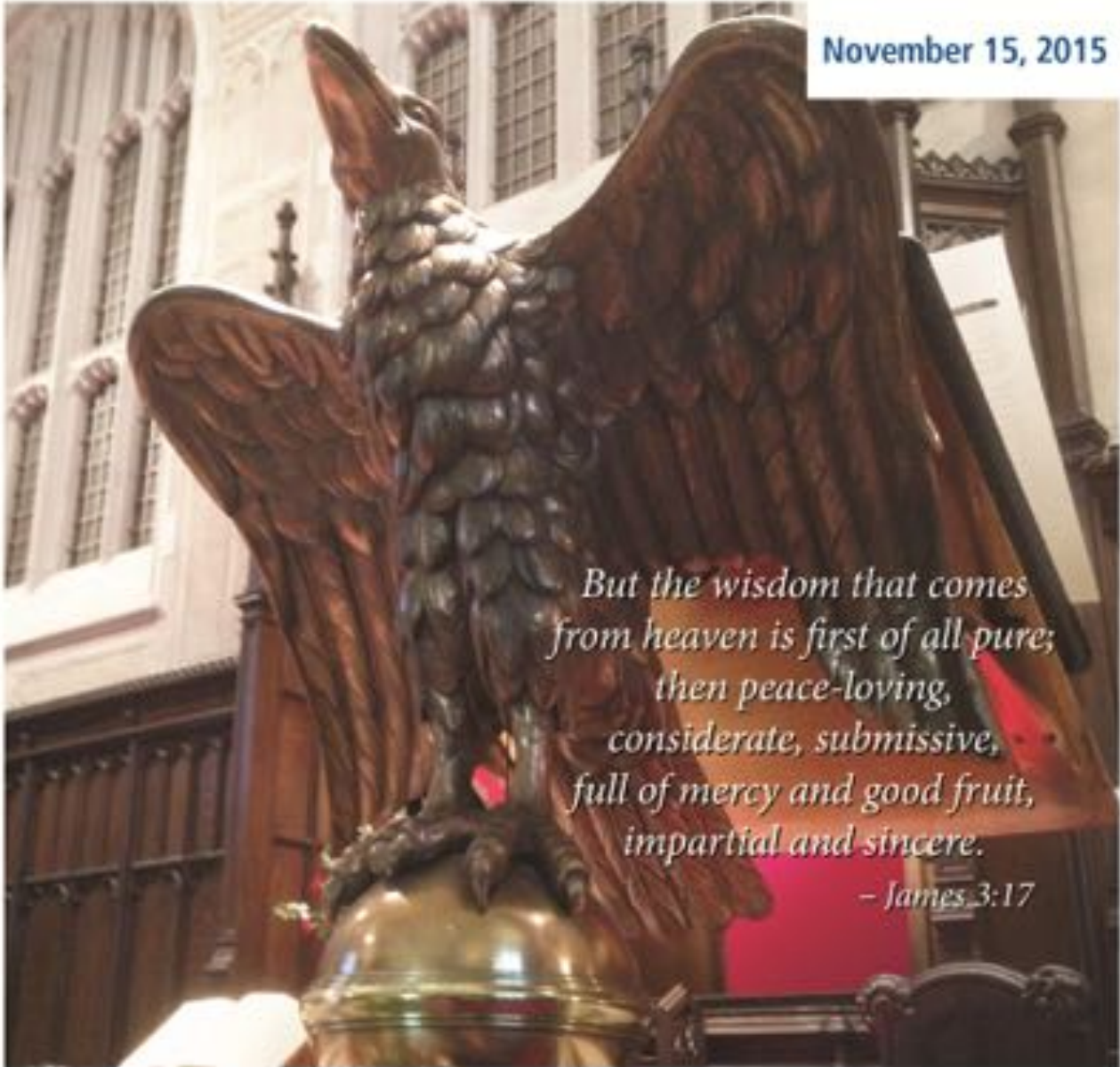


WELCOME TO
YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

November 15, 2015



*But the wisdom that comes
from heaven is first of all pure;
then peace-loving,
considerate, submissive,
full of mercy and good fruit,
impartial and sincere.*

- James 3:17

Morning Worship Service – 11:00 am

10:45am *The service of worship begins with the music of the organ.*

Preludes

Toccata in A minor

Jan Pieterzoon Sweelinck

Elegy

George Thalben Ball

Processional Hymn 685 - When morning gilds the skies, omit vs 3&4 (Laudes Domini)

Call to Worship

Brennan Rabbets

Introit - In the Heavenly Kingdom (congregation seated)

William H. Harris

In the heavenly kingdom the souls of the Saints are rejoicing,
Who followed the footsteps of Christ their Master,
And since for love of Him they freely poured forth their lifeblood,
Therefore with Christ they reign for ever. Alleluia.

Invocation & The Lord's Prayer (*seated*) (*sung Amen*)

Brennan Rabbets

Please see inside cover of the hymn book.

Responsive Psalm 145:1-13 (OT p.643-4)

The Rev. Deborah Ban

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 85 - Seek ye first (Seek ye first)

Prayer with the Children

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Presentation of the 'In Our Own Backyard Children's Mission project' Melvyn&Ava

Announcements

Window on the Church

Martin Abell

Scripture **1 Corinthians 15:50-58** (NT p. 186)

Matthew 6:19-24 (NT p. 6)

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. Deborah Ban

Choral Response

G. Thalben Ball

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee. Amen.

Offering

*Jesus said whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,
and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all (Mark 10:43)*

Anthem - Glorious is Thy name

W. A. Mozart

Glorious is Thy name Almighty Lord! All the angels stand round about Thy throne. Let all nations bow before Thee, and declare Thy wondrous works! We praise Thee, we give thanks to Thee, we adore Thee, we glorify Thee! Lord, we adore Thee, we bless Thee. Lord, we thank Thee for Thy great glory! Heaven is Thy throne and earth is Thy footstool. Thou art King over all the world! Blessing and honour be to God, for ever and ever more.

Doxology (Hymn 766)

Hymn 596—May the mind of Christ my Saviour (St. Leonards)

Sermon - Surprised by Hope: The Hope of the Church **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

Hymn 462 – Be Thou my vision (Slane)

Benediction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen - Maddox in the Dorian mode

Postlude - Toccata

John Weaver

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

MISSION LUNCH INVITATION

There are STORIES to be TOLD so come for LUNCH TODAY - HEAR the inspiring stories from the Oneida and Lebanon MISSION teams. DISCOVER how YOUR SUPPORT was used to enhance lives. The Board of Mission will provide a light lunch in the Heritage Room following the morning worship service.

Join Us for Coffee Talk

After the morning worship service, we invite you to join us for coffee in the Narthex.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

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

NORMAN PURSER

By Linda

WHEN morning gilds the skies,
 My heart awaking cries,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 Alike at work and prayer
 To Jesus I repair ;
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

2 When sleep her balm denies,
 My silent spirit sighs,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 The night becomes as day,
 When from the heart we say,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

3 When evil thoughts molest,
 With this I shield my breast,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 The powers of darkness fear,
 When this sweet chant they hear,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

4 Does sadness fill my mind ?
 A solace here I find,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 Or fades my earthly bliss ?
 My comfort still is this,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

5 To God the Word on high,
 The hosts of angels cry,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 Let mortals, too, upraise
 Their voice in hymns of praise,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

6 Let earth's wide circle round
 In joyful notes resound,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "
 Let air, and sea, and sky,
 From depth to height reply,
 " May Jesus Christ be praised ! "

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1. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God,
and his righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you;

Allelu-, Alleluia

2. Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word,
that proceeds from the mouth of God;

Allelu-, Alleluia.

3. Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find,
knock and the door shall be opened up to you:

Allelu-, Alleluia.

4. Trust in the Lord with all thine heart,
he shall direct thy path,
in all thy ways acknowledge him;

Allelu-, Alleluia.

5. Praise to the Father, praise to the Son,
Praise to the Spirit too,
and to the Godhead, Three in One,

Allelu-, Alleluia.

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MAY the mind of Christ my Saviour
Live in me from day to day,
By His love and power controlling
All I do or say.

2 May the word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His power.

3 May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

4 May the love of Jesus fill me,
As the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing,
This is victory.

5 May I run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus
As I onward go.

Kate B. Wilkinson.

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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.*

**7pm - Choral Evensong with the Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching
and the Sacrament of Holy Communion**

BOARD OF MISSION - Refugee Sponsorship Update

The two sisters we are sponsoring from the Central African Republic had their interview at the Canadian High Commission in Accra on October 28 and have been invited to have their medical exams on November 12. The medical exams should be the last hurdle in their journey to Canada and we are optimistic that they will be with us soon. For those of you who have been holding back on making donations because of the many uncertainties, now is the time to write those cheques to the Refugee Fund. Also please let me know if you can offer temporary accommodation for the sisters when they first arrive.

At the same time we will shortly start the process to sponsor a family from the Middle East. With two, or even possibly three sponsorships in process we need to fill two key volunteer roles: a volunteer co-ordinator (to mobilize and organize volunteers to help with resettlement) and a financial manager (to help with the financial management involved in two or three sponsorships). Please contact the Church Office or Michael Wills (mwills@chartwellconsulting.ca; 416-485-4074) to volunteer or for more information.

Prime Timers Returns with a New Line-up!

Please join us on the third Tuesday of the month, from November to May, for wonderful lunchtime conversation followed by a presentation on a vast array of subjects. All ages and stages welcome! Members and friends of our congregation will regale you with stories of their life's work, their travels, their passions, followed by lively question periods. Bring your own lunch - dessert and tea are provided.

First date: Tuesday, November 17th, 12:30 pm - 2 pm.

Randall Speller, Artist and Church Archivist – A sequel to last year's popular presentation on our war veterans: "One by One World War I Casualties at Bloor Street Baptist Church".

SPECIAL AFTERNOON MISSION FELLOWSHIP - NOVEMBER 19 AT 12:30PM

Did you know that more people in the world have access to mobile phones than to "bog-standard" sanitation? That 2.5 billion of the world's people lack access to safe, clean, toilets? That in the developing world, roughly 90 per cent of sewage is discharged untreated into local waterways? These concerns led the United Nations to declare November 19 as World Toilet Day. Come to a special Afternoon Mission Fellowship presentation by Esther Barnes on **Thursday, November 19, at 12:30** in the Friendship Room. Learn why the lack of safe toilets places everyone at risk, and how Christians, governments, and aid agencies are bringing safe sanitation to the world.

Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces - Three Generations of Church Architecture

Please join us for our pilgrimage on **Friday, November 20 from 8am** in the company of church architect Doug Brown as we visit churches designed by him, his father and his grandfather. Cost: \$55. To reserve your space on the bus, please contact Euan Ferguson at 416-363-9900 or eujoferguson@sympatico.ca.

YP GALLERY- Current: Carol Westcott - *Breathing Space*

Upcoming: Night Gold • **Opening Reception 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 22**

Paul Roorda uses gold leaf, ashes, beeswax and old book pages to explore changing belief systems and the passage of time. The art in this exhibition makes reference to icons, horizons, aging walls and ritual markings to contrast tension and emotional paralysis with the possibility of renewed reflection and understanding.

Duration of Show: Saturday, November 21 to Sunday, December 20

Plugged In...emPOWERED

Toronto Baptist Women celebrates Baptist World Alliance Day of Prayer 2.0.

Come and plug into the power of prayer with your Baptist sisters in the GTA. We will sing, read, pray, colour, knit, crochet, walk and dance our prayers for global women's issues, every continent, the GTA, our churches and each other.

We will use scripture and prayers prepared for this year's World Day of Prayer by the Baptist World Alliance Women's Department.

Saturday, November 21, 2015 • Registration - 8:30am • Program - 9am to 3pm

Spring Garden Baptist Church (112 Spring Garden Ave, Toronto)

Registration - \$10 (includes lunch, pay at the door)

We encourage you to bring a donation towards 2015 World Day of Prayer projects.

How to register: Darlene Lucas (darlenelynnlucas@gmail.com) or Renee James (rsejames@gmail.com/416-651-8967)

Free parking in church parking lot; child care provided if you register by November 7, 2015

Prayer Guides Available in the Narthex, Centre Hall and Online at

<http://goo.gl/LusIGD>

FALL BUSINESS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Fall Business Meeting will be held in the Heritage Room on **Sunday, November 22, 2015** immediately following the morning worship service. Copies of the Minutes of the May 24, 2015 Spring Business Meeting and the September 20, 2015 Special Business Meeting are available in the Narthex and Centre Hall. Please bring a bag lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

David Wilson, Church Clerk

CAREGIVER LUNCHEON

Thursday, November 26 at 12:30pm in the Friendship Room

The care that you offer to a relative or a friend is a reflection of Jesus' statement to "love one another as I have loved you", but even as Jesus found it necessary to take a break from time to time, it is hoped that this event will be seen as a short relief for you, and a time to "talk, listen and learn."

This is a reminder for those who received an invitation that the caregivers' lunch is coming soon. If you are caring for a loved one, but did not receive an invitation, please consider attending. This will be a time of fellowship and an opportunity to talk with fellow caregivers as you enjoy lunch together. You will have an opportunity to chat with others who have similar responsibilities. Please RSVP to Denise in the Church Office by Tuesday, November 24.

YPBC News

The winter issue of the YPBC News will be published in mid December. Please forward all articles/items to the editor by **28 November 2015**. Text to be in WORD format and photos/illustrations to be in JPEG. Please send all submissions to: pilgrim.h@sympatico.ca. Thanks.

SERMON TALK BACK

On **Sunday, November 29** following the service, Dr. Holmes will hold a SERMON TALK-BACK session at the front of the church (Chancel) to give people a chance to comment or ask questions about the sermon of the day and the series of sermons based on N.T. Wright's, "Surprised by Hope". The talk back event will be carried live online. Those who watch online will be able to participate by sending in any questions or comments to an email address which will be provided.



COME JOIN US

Helpers needed for Christmas set-up of the Sanctuary on **Tuesday, December 1**. Our two beautiful Sanctuary Christmas trees will be put up. We need volunteers to help with the assembly of the trees, the fluffing of branches, the testing and installation of the lights and other related tasks. Even if you can only come for two or three hours, your help is important. Please come to the Church between **7:30am and 11:30am**.

DISCIPLESHIP

ADVENT SOUP & STUDY

Four WEDNESDAYS of December - 12:00-1:00 pm

COMFORT & JOY

Enjoy a bowl of homemade soup & prepare your soul for Christmas.

Chef: Phil & Miriam Irwin & Leader: Rev. Deborah Ban

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING!

(Registration at Centre Hall Desk or dban@yorkminsterpark.com)

Bethlehem on Yonge

We are already planning for Christmas Eve's "Bethlehem on Yonge" event.

Did you know that last year we had over 480 people who registered at the census table? And 268 of those were visitors! Imagine having the opportunity to speak to so many about the birth of our Lord!

We need your help in making the evening a welcoming success.

How can you help?

- Bake cookies (nut free) to give to our guests or join a group who are baking here at the church on Saturday, November 28th. Invite neighbours and friends to visit
- Sign up to be one of our characters: be a soldier, guide, shepherd, angel, or wise man. And Mary and Joseph!
- Help with building the stable, inn door and other set up
- Be a host to welcome people outside or in Cameron Hall for refreshments

Please contact Miriam Little (mlittle@yorkminsterpark.com; 416-922-1361) or Sally Roy (sallyroy@rogers.com; 416-218-8806) with how you will be part of welcoming the neighbourhood to visit Bethlehem.

THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2015 AT YORKMINSTER PARK

Sunday

9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
10:00am Parent Life Group, Room 508
10:00am Youth Bible Study, Room 510
10:00am Being the Beloved Bible Study, Boardroom 502
10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, Room 213
11:00am Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
(Classes for toddlers to senior high youth after the Children's Prayer)
11:20pm Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall
12:30pm Congregational Mission Lunch, Heritage Room
12:30pm Stick Drama Rehearsal, Gym
12:30pm Full Life Group, Room 508
1:00pm Ball Hockey, Gym
7:00pm Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Choral Evensong & Holy Communion

Monday to Friday

9:00am Meals on Wheels, Heritage Room

Monday

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Friendship Room
7:00pm 'Surprised by Hope' Bible Study, Library
8:00pm Dance Class, Gym

Tuesday

9:30am Prayers, Chapel
10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
10:00am Dorcas Group, Room 508
10:00am Open Door, Narthex
12:00pm Community Basketball, Gym
12:10pm Lunchtime Chamber Music—Rising Stars Recital
12:30pm Prime Timers, Friendship Room
5:30pm Joint Deacons Finance Meeting, Administrative Boardroom 502
6:00pm 'Surprised by Hope' Bible Study, Room 502
7:00pm Board of Finance, Red Boardroom
7:00pm Board of Mission, Library
7:00pm Faithpage Life Group, Friendship Room

Wednesday

10:00am Open Door, Narthex
12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital – *John Paul Farahat*
6:45pm Out of the Cold, Heritage Room and Gym
7:00pm 'Surprised by Hope' Bible Study, Friendship Room
7:00pm Board of Music, Red Boardroom

Thursday

10:00am Open Door, Narthex
12:00pm 'Surprised by Hope' Bible Study, Library
12:30pm Community Basketball, Gym
12:30pm Afternoon Mission Fellowship, Friendship Room
6:00pm Communications Committee Meeting, Red Boardroom
7:00pm 'Surprised by Hope' Bible Study, Manse
7:00pm Brentwood Toronto Support Group, Heritage Room
7:30pm Senior Choir rehearsal, Cameron Hall
7:30pm Don Mills Bible Study, offsite

Friday

8:00am Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces, offsite
9:15am Senior Gentle Fitness - Mild, Room 508
10:15am Senior Gentle Fitness - Moderate, Room 508
12:00pm Community Basketball, Gym
6:00pm Youth Event, Room 508
6:30pm Bay Street Life Group, offsite

Saturday

12:00pm Art Gallery, Centre Hall
3:00pm Walkers Life Group, offsite (For details call Mary/Nikhil at 416-880-9372)

Next Sunday

9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am Being the Beloved Bible Study, Boardroom 502
10:00am Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
10:00am Parent Life Group, Room 508
10:00am Youth Bible Study, Room 510
10:15am Children's Ministry, Room 205
10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, room 213
11:00am Rev. Dale Rose
(Classes for toddlers to senior high youth after the Children's Prayer)
12:30pm Fall Business Meeting, Heritage Room
12:30pm Art Reception with Paul Roorda, Centre Hall
12:30pm Full Life Group, Room 508
7:00pm Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

The Rev. Dale Rose has been out of the office this week
and will be returning on Friday, November 20.
Pastoral concerns can be directed to the Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes at
416-922-1167 x228/jpholmes@yorkminsterpark.com or the Rev. Deborah Ban at
416-922-1167 x235/dban@yorkminsterpark.com.

CELEBRATE WITH US

*Advent
&
Christmas*
at
Yorkminster Park
Baptist Church



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 – ADVENT I

11:00 am Morning Worship

7:00 pm Evening Worship

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

2:00 pm City TV Carol Sing

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 – ADVENT II

11:00 am Morning Worship

(The Sacrament of Holy Communion)

4:30 pm Christmas Truce Service

Special WWI Liturgy with RH Thomson

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13 – ADVENT III

11:00 am Morning Worship

4:30 pm Carols by Candlelight

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

11:00 am Service of Comfort and Hope

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20 – ADVENT IV

11:00 am Morning Worship Service

4:30 pm Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2015

7:00 pm John McDermott Family Christmas

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24 – CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 pm Bethlehem on Yonge Family Service

11:15 pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 – CHRISTMAS DAY

11:00 am Worship Service

with the Sacrament of Holy Communion

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31 – NEW YEAR'S EVE

11:00 pm Watchnight Service

• THE 7TH ANNUAL •
CITY CAROL SING

In support of the Churches-on-the-Hill Foodbank

SATURDAY, DEC. 5TH, 2:00 PM

WITH SPECIAL GUESTS

**JOHN MCDERMOTT, GORD MARTINEAU
AND THE TRUE NORTH BRASS**

DON'T MISS IT!

The event will be recorded and
broadcast on City during the Christmas season
Check your local listings!



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**CAROLS
BY CANDLELIGHT**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 4:30PM

A traditional candlelight choral presentation featuring
choirs and musicians of Yorkminster Park Baptist Church.

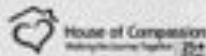
Doors open at 3:30pm. Child care for children 5 years and under.



**JOHN MCDERMOTT
Family
Christmas**

December 22, 7:00 pm

A fundraising event for the
Toronto House of Compassion



**CHRISTMAS
TRUCE
SERVICE**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6 - 4:30 PM

SPECIAL WWI LITURGY with
RH THOMSON offering narration as
we remember the Christmas Truce of 1914
through the lens of Bethlehem.

BUNDLE UP FOR
Bethlehem
ON *Yonge*



**CHRISTMAS EVE
LIVE NATIVITY with ANIMALS**

Thursday, December 24 - 4:00 p.m.
Outdoors in the Park at Yorkminster Park

Hot Chocolate and Carol singing
indoors with the Minster Singers

We are delighted that you have joined us!

Here is some information which we hope will be helpful to you.

Parking: 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.

Accessibility: 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 is also available. Please speak with our volunteer at the Welcome Table in the Sanctuary Entrance Hallway.

For Children: 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. Parents are reminded to pick up a pager before the service, or when the children head to classes.

Fellowship: Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Sanctuary Entrance Hallway. We invite you to participate with us.

Stay Connected: 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.

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 at info@yorkminsterpark.com or 416-922-1167.

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Minister of the Congregation

The Rev. Dale Rose
Minister of Pastoral Care

The Rev. Deborah A. Ban
Minister of Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox
BMus, FTCL, FCAM
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