# WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH



## Morning Worship Service - 11:00 am

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

#### **Preludes**

An Wasserflüssen Babylon Aria Sigfried Karg-Elert Eric Thimas

Processional Hymn 52 - God is love (Abbot's Leigh)

Call to Worship

**Brennan Rabbets** 

**Introit - I am risen** (congregation seated)

Healey Willan

I am risen and am still with thee, alleluya: thou has laid thine hand upon me, alleluya; thy knowledge is too wonderful and excellent for me, alleluya. Thou has searched me out and known me: thou knowest my down sitting and mine uprising. Gloria.

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

**Brennan Rabbets** 

Please see inside cover of the hymn book.

**Responsive Psalm 148** (OT p.645-646)

Gloria

Hymn \*SHB 10 - Be still for the presence of the Lord (Evans)

**Prayer with the Children** 

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

**Book of Heroes** 

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Announcements

**Holy Scripture - Revelation 21:1-6** (NT p.282) **John 13:31-35** (NT p.112) Don Deathe

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Rev. Dale Rose

**Choral Response** 

S. Alec Gordon

Hear my prayer, O Lord my God. Harken to my supplication; be merciful to me, a sinner. Amen.

Offering

Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' (Matthew 25:40)

## Anthem - My belovèd spake

Patrick Hadley

My beloved spake, and said unto me, rise up, my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone; the flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land. The fig tree putteth forth her green figs, and the vines with the tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

## Doxology (Hymn 766)

## Hymn —My life flows on in endless song (How can I keep)

1. My life flows on in endless song,

above earth's lamentation.

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn

that hails a new creation.

Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.

Since love is Lord of heaven and earth,

how can I keep from singing?

3. What though my joys and comforts die?

I know my Saviour liveth.

What though the darkness gather round?

Songs in the night he giveth.

Refrain

Benediction

2. Through all the tumult and the strife,

I hear that music ringing. It finds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

Refrain

4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart,

A fountain ever springing!

All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing?

Refrain

**Sermon - The Power of Love** 

Choral Amen—Stanford in B flat

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Recessional Hymn 419—There's a wideness in God's mercy (Stuttgart #78)

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Postlude - Processional

William Mathias

The memorial bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude.

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

7: 00pm-Choral Evensong

#### Soloists:

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

Christel Wiens, Associate Musician

#### JOIN US FOR COFFEE TALK

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

## 1 John iv. 8.

GOD is love: let heaven adore Him;
God is love: let earth rejoice;
Let creation sing before Him,
And exalt Him with one voice.
He who laid the earth's foundation,
He who spread the heavens above,
He who breathes through all creation,
He is love, eternal love.

2 God is love: and He enfoldeth All the world in one embrace; With unfailing grasp He holdeth Every child of every race.

And when human hearts are breaking Under sorrow's iron rod,
All the sorrow, all the aching,
Wrings with pain the heart of God.

3 God is love: and though with blindness
Sin afflicts the souls of men,
God's eternal loving-kindness
Holds and guides them even then.
Sin and death and hell shall never
O'er us final triumph gain;
God is love, so love for ever
O'er the universe must reign.

- 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.

## My life flows on in endless song (How can I keep)

1. My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

## Refrain:

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

- 2. Through all the tumult and the strife,I hear the music ringing.It finds an echo in my soul.How can I keep from singing?Refrain
- 3. What though my joys and comforts die? I know my Saviour liveth.
  What though the darkness gather round?
  Songs in the night he giveth.
  Refrain
- 4. The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, A fountain every springing!
  All things are mine since I am his!
  How can I keep from singing?
  Refrain

# 419

[Souls of men! why will ye scatter Like a crowd of frightened sheep? Foolish hearts! why will ye wander From a love so true and deep?]

THERE'S a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea: There's a kindness in His justice. Which is more than liberty.

- 2 There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heaven; There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgment given.
- 3 For the love of God is broader
  Than the measures of man's mind;
  And the heart of the Eternal
  Is most wonderfully kind.
- 4 But we make His love too narrow By false limits of our own; And we magnify His strictness With a zeal He will not own.
- 5 There is plentiful redemption
  In the blood that has been shed;
  There is joy for all the members
  In the sorrows of the Head.
- 6 If our love were but more simple, We should take Him at His word; And our lives be filled with gladness, From the presence of the Lord.

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

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

#### MICHAEL WILSON

by Janet Wilson and family

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

#### **MARIE THOMPSON**

by the Thompson family

**Sunday, May 15th** is available for anyone wishing to place **memorial or celebration flowers** in the Chancel. Please call Kay Hayes: 416-447-9416.

Mary Sturgess turns 90 on May 1st. We are going to have a brief celebration with her at the nursing home where she lives. If any of her friends are going to be in Ottawa for the Tulip Festival, we would love to have you drop in to wish her well (no gifts!). Just let me know you are going to be here, and I will send you the address and directions. Thank you.

-William Sturgess (william.sturgess@utoronto.ca)



You are invited to join the team!
You can come with us or help support the team
with prayer or financial gifts.

Once again Yorkminster Park is sending a mission team to the **Oneida Nation of the Thames (near London Ontario) in conjunction with First Oneida Baptist Church.** The team will run a week of day camp for children, ages 4 – 12 at the Standing Stone Elementary School located near London, Ontario from **July 25-29**, **2016**. We are looking for a few more team members to join us as we lead the children's camp and a youth program.

If you would like to help fund our team expenses and contribute to this mission project, please designate your gift to the *Oneida Mission Team* and place it in the offering plate. For more information, please contact the team leaders, Rev. Dale Rose or Brennan Rabbets.

## Looking ahead right now...

Our next **Theatre Trip** will be to the Shaw Festival to see 'A Woman of No Importance' on Wednesday, June 1st. The cost is \$150 and the deadline to book is **ASAP.** If interested please contact Judy MacDonald at 416-225-8295.

### **General Fund Revenue and Expenses**

January 1, 2016 to March 31st, 2016

The first quarter of the financial year has ended and the spreadsheet attached shows the results at March 31, 2016

As of this date we are lower than budgeted in revenue and under budget in expenses. We are \$41,500 ahead of our expected deficit position.

•Thank you to all for your gifts and please continue to pray for the continued support of God's work at YPBC.

	2016 Budget	2016 Actual	2015 Actual
Offerings, excluding amounts for Missions*	\$ 238,100	\$ 205,084	\$ 333,079
Other revenues (excl. Recoveries from trust fur	nds) 67,573	67,164	52,734
Total Revenue	\$ 305,673	\$ 272,248	\$ 385,812
Expenses, including Missions disbursements*	\$ 482,786	\$ 412,862	\$ 433,704
General offerings and other revenues,			
less general expenses	\$ (177,114)	\$ (140,614)	\$ (47,891)
Recoveries from trust funds	\$ 61, 562	\$ 54,937	\$ 55,681
Operating deficit	\$ (115,552)	\$ (85,677)	\$ 7,790
Mission income and disbursements	\$ 40,000	\$ 30,831	\$ 42,125

#### Kids for Kids! Mission project

Wow! \$845 came in during the first week of our mission campaign, *Kids for Kids*! YPBC children invite you to join them in raising funds to buy goats for families struggling with loss of family members to HIV/AIDS. A gift of a kid is like having money in the bank. Goats provide milk, can be sold for income and to top it off they are hardy animals, able to live in harsh environments. Please find an information brochure and specially marked envelope on the Centre Hall or Narthex tables. Or mark your giving envelope with *Kids for Kids*.

## Kids for Kids Summer Show featuring Photographs by Children and Youth

Attention parents! Children and youth ages 7-17 are invited to submit a photo to be part of the summer art show! What an opportunity! You don't have to mount or frame the photo as the Art Committee will take care of that. The photo, of any subject, should be in a jpg format and in a horizontal direction. Send it to the church office <a href="mailto:office@yorkminsterpark.com">office@yorkminsterpark.com</a> before May 1. The photos will be sold and the proceeds will go to the *Kids for Kids* mission project!

#### Needed for the Retreat

We are looking for a donation of mega blocks for the retreat. We would also like to borrow the games called Jenga and Barrel of Monkeys. Contact Miriam (<u>mlittle@yorkminsterpark.com</u>, 416-922-1361) if you have one of these items.

#### THE WEEK OF APRIL 24, 2016

#### AT YORKMINSTER PARK

#### **Every Sunday**

9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom 10:00am Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A

10:00am The Letters of Paul Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502

10:00am Parent Life Group, Room 508 10:00am Youth Fellowship, Room 510

10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, Room 213

11:20pm Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall

12:30pm Full Life Group, Room 508

**Today** 

11:00am Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

12:30pm Retreat Committee Meeting, Red Board Room

7:00pm Choral Evensong

## **Monday to Thursday**

Pilgrimage of Sacred Spaces, Montreal

**Monday** 

7:00am Men's Bible Study, Friendship Room 7:30pm Liturgical Dance, Gymnasium

**Tuesday to Thursday** 

10:00am Open Door, Narthex

**Tuesday** 

9:30am Ministerial Prayers, Chapel 10:00am Dorcas Group, Room 508

10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room

12:00pm Community Basketball, Gymnasium

12:10pm Lunchtime Chamber Music Concert, Sanctuary - Benjamin Smith, piano

7:00pm Miriam Little Retirement Reception Planning, Red Board Room

7:00pm Prayer Shawl, Friendship Room

**Wednesday** 

12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital—Patrick Dewell

**Thursday** 

12:00pm Community Basketball, Gymnasium

7:00pm House of Compassion Board Meeting, Red Board Room

7:30pm Don Mills Bible Study, offsite

7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall

**Friday** 

9:15am Senior Gentle Fitness—Low Intensity, Room 508 10:15am Senior Gentle Fitness—Moderate Intensity, Room 508

12:00pm Community Basketball, Gymnasium

6:00pm Youth event

6:30pm Bay Street Life Group, offsite

**Saturday** 

3:00pm Walking Life Group, offsite

**Sunday** 

11:00am Rev. Dale Rose, Communion

12:30pm Sue A. Miller Art Reception, Centre Hall

12:30pm Retreat Planning Committee, Red Board Room

7:00pm Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

## **Youth Ministry**

Our next event is on April 29th, we will be playing Predator and Prey in the church. Make sure to bring your running shoes. Pizza will be provided. We will meet at 6:00pm and end at 9:30pm. Please rsvp with Brennan (brabbets@yorkminsterpark.com).

## **Summer Student Posting**

We are looking for a student who is starting or returning to post secondary school in the fall to work as a Ministry Assistant in the summer. The full job description can be found on our website, or you can contact Brennan for more information (<u>brabbets@yorkminsterpark.com</u>)



#### PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING

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 com-

fort. Since we have been meeting, approximately 200 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**, **April 26**, **2016 at 7pm** in the Friendship Room.

## 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. Youth are encouraged to join Doxa Youth Worship in Cameron Hall today.

**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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The Rev. Dale Rose
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