

WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

**AUGUST 24TH, 2025
MORNING WORSHIP**



Sunday, August 24th, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

Morning Worship

*Indicates places in the service where worshippers are invited to stand as they are able.

Preludes

***Call to Worship**

The Rev. John R. Torrance

***Hymn 532** – All creatures of our God and King (omit vs. 4 & 6) (Lasst Uns Erfreun)

Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

***Responsive Psalm 103: 1-8**

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Leader: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits--

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

People: **who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

Leader: who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

People: **The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.**

Leader: He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

People: **The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

***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.

Prayer with the Children

**The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
& Heather Mackey**

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Holy Scripture

Luke 13:10-17

Solo – If God be for us, who can be against us (Messiah)

George Frederick Handel

Loren Graziano, soprano

Pastoral Prayer

The Rev. John R. Torrance

Offering

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits.” (Psalm 103:2)

Duet – My song shall be always

Felix Mendelssohn

Loren Graziano, soprano; **Ronald Tapawan**, tenor

***Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host
Praise, Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Hymn 664** – How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (St. Peter)

Sermon – “Give it a rest”

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

***Hymn 742** – O for a thousand tongues (Richmond)

***Benediction**

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Postlude

Carillon – Sine Nomine

arr. Beverly Buchanan

Naoko Tsujita, Carillonneur

VACATION NOTICE

The Rev. Paula Willis will be on vacation this week. Please direct all pastoral inquiries to **The Rev. Dr. Peter Holmes** by email at jpholmes@yorkminsterpark.com or call his direct confidential line at 416-922-1271.

UPDATE: SUMMER SOCIAL NIGHT

The “Summer Social Night” scheduled for Friday, August 29th has been postponed. We are grateful to the church’s Life Together Group for organizing this initiative and will look forward to the event at a future date.

Caption: Prayers in the Park, Wednesdays at noon, in the Meditation Circle.
Last week’s session featured a concert by Stephen Cheang.

Photo: Paula Willis

Welcome families! In support of our Protection Plan, upon arrival, parents/guardians may sign-in their child (Babies to Gr. 5) at the Centre Hall Table before the service begins and then sign-out their child in Cameron Hall following the Choral Amen of the Service (during the Postlude).

Sunday Morning:

- Family Ministry Leader Prayer Time: 9:45-10:15am
- Family Ministries (children/youth): 11:10am-12:15pm
 - o Children/Youth and their families are in the Sanctuary for the first part of the 11am Worship Service
 - o After the Children's Prayer Time in the Service, children, youth and leaders go to Cameron Hall for further worship and faith learning before dividing into age-appropriate groups
- We encourage all youth (Gr. 6-12) to hang out in the Youth Zone Rm upstairs after the service for fellowship time
- Family Ministry Potluck Luncheons (Scheduled Sundays throughout the year)

Tuesday Online:

- Family Ministry (ALL Ages) Bible Study and Activities: 6:30-7:15pm
- Family Ministry Leader's Bible Study and Prayer: 7:15-8pm

Youth Nights (twice a month):

- Youth (Gr. 6-12) are welcome to experience Fun, Faith and Fellowship two scheduled nights a month

To receive our weekly Family Ministry E-update, Zoom links or any information about our ministries, schedule, events, potlucks and more, please contact **Heather Mackey** at hmackey@yorkminsterpark.com

Friday, September 21, 7-9pm, Youth Night (Gr 6-12) - Gym/Youth Zone Rm

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Family Ministry Collage - August 24, 2025





Unpack the Christian *faith* together.

WEDNESDAYS ON ZOOM
SEPT 24–NOV 26 | 7:00 PM

Meet new people and explore the Christian faith together. Alpha is for anyone who's curious.

No judgement, no pressure.

Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation.

Come along, see what you think.

Register today:
tinyurl.com/mr46anny



CARILLON RECITAL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 | 1:00 PM

FREE ADMISSION

OUTDOORS – RAIN OR SHINE



JOSEPH MIN

Don't miss the final performance
in our summer concert series!

Come enjoy beautiful music in the
open air — all are welcome.



Out of the Cold
Yorkminster Park Baptist Church

Who is my neighbour?



IN ACTION

OUT OF THE COLD BEGINS NOVEMBER 5

Our Out of the Cold (OOTC) ministry is just around the corner!

As we prepare to welcome guests again this season, there are many ways you can support this important outreach:

- Pray for our guests, volunteers, and the season ahead
- Volunteer to be part of a serving team
- Donate items or financial gifts
- Offer baking or toiletries to share with our guests

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For more information or to get involved, please email:

ootc@yorkminsterpark.com

Yorkminster Park Week-at-a-Glance

Sunday, August 24

11:00 am Worship Service, The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching, Sanctuary
11:30 am Family Ministries led by Heather Mackey, Cameron Hall

Monday, August 25

9:00 am Meals on Wheels

Tuesday, August 26

9:00 am Meals on Wheels
10:00 am Dorcas, Youth Zone (508)
11:00 am Open Doors, Sanctuary
6:30 pm FM Meeting, led by Heather Mackey, Zoom Only
7:30 pm Meals on Wheels Board Meeting, Red Board Room (120)

Wednesday, August 27

9:00 am Meals on Wheels
11:00 am Open Doors, Sanctuary
12:00 pm Prayers in the Park, led by The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes, Meditation Circle

Thursday, August 28

9:00 am Meals on Wheels
11:00 am Open Doors, Sanctuary

Friday, August 29

9:00 am Meals on Wheels

Saturday, August 30

Sunday, August 31

11:00 am Worship Service, The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes preaching, Sanctuary
11:30 am Family Ministries led by Heather Mackey, Cameron Hall

SOME IMPORTANT FALL DATES AT YP

- Thursday, September 4, 7:30 p.m. first Choir Practice
- Sunday, September 7, 11 a.m. Sacrament of Communion
- Tuesday, September 9, 7 p.m. All Boards Meeting
- Sunday, September 14, 11 a.m. Welcome Back Sunday. We invite your family and friends to join us as we welcome everyone back from summer holidays. After church there will be displays about many of our fall ministries and programs.
- Sunday, September 14, 12:15 p.m. The Yorkminster Park Art Gallery Show Opening, featuring artist Hugh Alcock
- Friday, September 26, 7 p.m. Yorkminster Park Speakers Series featuring Maureen Jennings and Charlotte Gray: "Writing History: A Conversation Between Two Storytellers"
www.ypspeakersseries.com
- Sunday, September 28, 11 a.m. YP Anniversary Sunday – a Homecoming to celebrate the blessings of our history and heritage as we press on in faith. The Rev. Dale Rose will be our guest preacher.
- Sunday, October 5, 7 p.m. Iona Service
- Monday, October 6, 6:00 p.m. Women In Community with Beth Torrance sharing "Memories of India."
- Sunday, October 26 – Tuesday, October 28 The Lester Randall Preaching Fellowship
www.lesterrandall.com

We are delighted to have you worshipping with us!

Thank you for joining us in person and online via our webcasts.

Stay Connected: Please [share your email address](#) to receive emails about life at Yorkminster Park and to notify you of any special upcoming services and events. Your information is confidential and will not be shared with others.

Accessibility: Large-print Bibles and calendars, hearing assistance and a limited number of wheelchairs are available upon request. If you require assistance, please ask an usher.

Offerings and Gifts

There are a number of ways to make offerings or gifts to the church.

In Person: Place your gifts in the collection plate during services or events.

By Mail: Send your offering to the church by mail (please send cheques, if possible).

PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance): Regular monthly offering directly from your bank.

Online: Visit yorkminsterpark.com > Give

Tap to Give using our TipTap display **OR**

Use the camera on your phone to scan the QR Code:

It will take you directly to our Canada Helps page. ►



Indigenous Land Acknowledgment

In the prayerful hope of true reconciliation and healing, we acknowledge the land we are meeting on has been the site of human activity for over 15,000 years. This land is the traditional territory of many nations including the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabeg, the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island and we are grateful to live, work and worship on this land.

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Minister of the Congregation

The Rev. Paula Willis

Minister of Pastoral Care
and Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox

BMus, FTCL, FCAM
Organist and Director of Music

Ms. Heather Mackey

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The Rev. John Torrance

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*Hymn 532 – All creatures of our God and King omit vs. 4 & 6
(Lasst Uns Erfreun)

1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam:

*O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice;
ye lights of evening, find a voice:

3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou fire, so masterful and bright,
that givest us both warmth and light:

* 5 All ye that are of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God, and on him cast your care:

7 Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness;
O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:

***Hymn 664 – How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (St. Peter)**

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
 in a believer's ear!
It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds,
 and drives away his fear.**
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole,
 and calms the troubled breast;
'tis manna to the hungry soul,
 and to the weary rest.**
- 3 Dear name! the rock on which I build,
 my shield and hiding-place,
my never-failing treasury filled
 with boundless stores of grace.**
- 4 Jesus! my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,
 my Prophet, Priest, and King,
my Lord, my Life, my Way, my End,
 accept the praise I bring.**
- 5 Weak is the effort of my heart,
 and cold my warmest thought;
but when I see thee as thou art,
 I'll praise thee as I ought.**
- 6 Till then I would thy love proclaim
 with every fleeting breath;
and may the music of thy name
 refresh my soul in death.**

*Hymn 742 – O for a thousand tongues (Richmond)

- 1 O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace !
- 2 Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease ;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace.
- 3 He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
he sets the prisoner free :
his blood can make the foulest clean ;
his blood availed for me.
- 4 He speaks ; and, listening to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe.
- 5 Hear him, ye deaf ; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come ;
and leap, ye lame, for joy !
- 6 My gracious Master and my God,
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name.