

OCTOBER 30, 2011



Yorkminster Park

BAPTIST CHURCH

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

The Rev. John Torrance
Interim Associate Minister

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna
Associate Minister, Discipleship

Mr. William Maddox B.Mus, FTCL
Director of Music

Mrs. Heather Hetherington
Parish Nurse

The Rev. Carolyn King
Associate Minister, Pastoral Care

The Rev. Sam Lee
Assistant Minister, Youth

Mrs. Miriam Little
Director of Children's Ministry

The Rev. Dr. William A. Sturgess
Minister Emeritus, Pastoral Care

MORNING WORSHIP - OCTOBER 30, 2011

The service of worship begins with the music of the organ preludes.

Preludes Four pieces for piano - *Francis Poulenc*
Improvisation #13 in A minor
Improvisation #14 in D flat
Nocturne #4 in C
Intermezzo in A flat
Don Deathe, piano

Processional Hymn 8 – For the beauty of the earth (Dix 90)

Call to Worship **The Rev. Cheryle Hanna**

Introit – I sat down under his shadow *Edward Bairstow*

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banquet house, and His banner over me was love.

Invocation and Lord's Prayer **The Rev. Sam Lee**

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, for ever and ever.
(sung Amen)

Hymn *SHB 101 – This is my Father's world (Terra Beata)

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

Prayer with the Children – Story Book **Hanna**

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

Scripture **Genesis 1:20-31** (OT p.1-2) **Heather Andrew**

Luke 7:11-17 (NT p.67)

Pastoral Prayer **The Rev. John R. Torrance**

Choral Response *G. Thalben Ball*

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

Offering *Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all His benefits. (Psalm 103:2)*

Anthem - How lovely are the messengers *Felix Mendelssohn*

How lovely are the messengers that bring us the gospel of peace.
To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words.

Doxology Hymn 766

Sermon – WRITTEN IN GLASS: **The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes**

NOT FAR FROM THE TREE

Hymn 316 – Here, O my Lord (vs 1-3) (Toulon)

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Communion at Yorkminster Park is open to all who love Christ and seek to live in His ways.

Reception of New Members

Act of Remembrance

Choral Preparation – Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee *Adoro te devote*

Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour Thee, Who in thy sacrament dost deign to be;
Both flesh and spirit at thy presence fail, yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

Invitation to the Table

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. Cheryle Hanna

Distribution of the Elements

Recessional Hymn 316 – Here, O my Lord (vs 4-6) (Toulon)

Benediction

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Choral Amen (Udell in A)

Postlude Fugue in G minor, BWV 542

Johann Sebastian Bach

The Memorial bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude

Soloists:

Lois Bishop, soprano; **Dawn King**, soprano; **Margaret Terry**, mezzo soprano;
Martin Houtman, tenor; **Stephen King**, baritone.

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

Gerda Spelt

Rev. Kerr Spiers

CHURCH COVENANT

As an organized group of Christian people, we enter into Covenant, one with another, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, grace and Godly living; to promote its Christian spirit by sustaining its worship, sacraments, discipline, doctrine and the maintenance of the Biblical norms and standards of conduct; to contribute to the support of the Ministry, to the expenses of the Church, and to serve, as our respective talents and circumstances permit, the mission of the Church, which Covenant is made in the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS

Prayers for healing and blessing will be offered in the chapel following this morning's worship service and **on the last Sunday of every month**. If anyone would like such prayers at other times, feel free to contact a minister for an appointment.

Mr. Maddox is away today to attend the graduation of his son, Nicholas, from the University of Ottawa. We welcome Michael Bloss, who is playing the organ and directing the Choir today

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FOR the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies ;
*Christ, our Lord, to Thee we raise
This our hymn of grateful praise.*

2 For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flower,
Sun and moon, and stars of light ;

3 For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above ;
For all gentle thoughts and mild ;

4 For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given,
Graces, human and divine,
Flowers of earth, and buds of heaven ;

5 For Thy Church that evermore
Lifteth holy hands above,
Offering up on every shore
Its pure sacrifice of love :

This is my Father's world

1. This is my Father's world,
 and to my listening ears
 all nature sings, and round me rings
 the music of the spheres.
 This is my Father's world;
 I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
 his hand the wonders wrought.

2. This is my Father's world:
 the birds their carols raise;
 the morning light, the lily white,
 declare their Maker's praise.
 This is my Father's world:
 he shines in all that's fair;
 in the rustling grass I hear him pass,
 he speaks to me everywhere,

3. This is my Father's world:
 O let me ne'er forget
 that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
 God is the ruler yet.
 This is my Father's world:
 the battle is not done;
Jesus, who died, shall be satisfied,
 and earth and heaven be one



'Nature is the art of God'

Placed in memory of Howard Carl Dierlam and his wife, Florence M. Shroeder
Photographer: Henry Regehr

Prayer with the Children

Sunday mornings the YPBC children, along with our Minister of the Congregation Rev. Dr. Peter Holmes, will take us on a tour of YPBC's beautiful stained glass windows. Each week, one of the children is assigned a window to interpret in their own way. Their insights are shared with the congregation during the Children's Prayer.

Our presenter this week is Hanna, and the window she will share features Luke, who authored both the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts. Luke was a physician and tradition holds that Luke was also an artist. It is for this reason that Luke has been called the patron saint of artists. In the window Luke is portrayed holding an artist's pallet and brushes under the title, **'Nature is the art of God.'** The depiction of Luke as an artist in celebration of God's creation is appropriate as the window was given in memory of Howard Carl Dierlam and his wife, Florence M. Shroeder.

Howard Dierlam was an artist whose work is being exhibited in the Yorkminster Park Gallery this month alongside the art of his daughter, Lois.



The Stained Glass Windows of Yorkminster Park - Limited edition

A beautiful 66 page hardcover coffee table book is now available for purchase. Bringing together the commentary of Fred Branscombe, the photography of Henry Regehr, and designed by Paul Mosey. The book comes in an attractive archival box at a cost of **\$180** each (plus HST). If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please speak to **Ellen Branscombe** or call the church office at **416-922-1167**.

The Stained Glass Windows of Yorkminster Park - Online Slide Show

You can view our windows in a slide show on our website. Visit yorkminsterpark.com

There is also a Stained Glass Windows booklet available in the Narthex.

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PART I

HERE, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things
unseen,
Here grasp with firmer hand the eternal grace,
And all my helplessness upon Thee lean.

2 Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

3 This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heavenly table spread for me;
Here let me feast, and, feasting, still prolong
The hallowed hour of fellowship with Thee.

PART II

4 Too soon we rise: the symbols disappear;
The feast, though not the love, is past and gone;
The bread and wine remove, but Thou art here,
Nearer than ever; still my shield and sun.

5 I have no help but Thine; nor do I need
Another arm save Thine to lean upon;
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.

6 Feast after feast thus comes and passes by,
Yet passing, points to the glad feast above,
Giving sweet foretaste of the festal joy,
The Lamb's great bridal feast of bliss and love.

NEW MEMBERS

Eva Na-Guo grew up in Beijing, China, where her mother taught school and her father farmed. Both she and her brother had a Communist upbringing. She graduated from the University of Beijing with a degree in Law. After working in Beijing, she immigrated to Canada, and graduated from Osgoode Hall Law School York University in 2010 with an M.A. in International Business Law. Now employed with McCarthy Tetrault, Eva looks forward to being admitted to the Ontario Bar.

At university in Beijing, a Christian professor invited students to his home for Christian films and discussion. She subsequently met him at a reunion and soon joined him for Sunday Christian Worship services, where she became a believer. Then, when she came to Osgoode, Gavin and Katie Millan from Yorkminster Park Baptist Church (YP) invited her to their cell group. She enrolled in Cheryle's Discipleship 101 course. Eva has been coming to YP since August and was just baptized at YP on October 23rd

Eva is grateful to God for the many ways He has led her in her life. She is keen to learn more about the Bible, and looks forward to connecting with fellow Christians here at YP.

Elizabeth Wise spent her early years in Polermo, near Milton, where she attended Moulton College as a girl. She recalls coming with the Moulton College Choir to YP to sing as a child. Growing up in a devout Christian home, she was also influenced by capable and encouraging Sunday School teachers, and strong preaching. It was at Pioneer Camp that God was revealed to her powerfully, through a combination of Nature's grandeur and godly counsellors. At the age of 16 she was baptized at Hillview Presbyterian Church. Yorkminster Park has been her church home for eight years, since moving into the neighbourhood. This spring she took Discipleship 101, and reaffirmed her baptismal vows with baptism by immersion at YP in June. Elizabeth has two daughters as well as a granddaughter and grandson. She works as a dental hygienist and enjoys tango and Latin dancing for recreation. Elizabeth enjoys worshipping at YP, hearing Bible based preaching, and listening to the music with meaningful words. She is interested in the Meals on Wheels and Out of the Cold programs.

Ben Gelfand was born in the USA but raised in Toronto where he attended Northern Secondary School. While there he knew Bob Crawford's sons and worked part time at Morley Bedford. After graduating from Ohio University he married and now has a three year old daughter.

Ben's spiritual development has been eclectic, but of late he began coming to Yorkminster Park for funerals and other functions and decided to worship here on a regular basis. He subsequently wanted to learn more of the faith and last spring he took the Bible study classes given by Peter, Cheryle and Carolyn and found them very helpful. In June he was baptized. Ben looks forward to contributing to the life of this church in areas where his talents can be used to serve God.

Currently, Ben is a Managing Director, Institutional Sales, at Trapeze Capital Corp., with offices in the Weston Centre at Yonge and St.Clair.

A reception for new members will be held immediately following the service in the Friendship Room.

WELCOME

*Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be with us, we welcome you to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church. We hope that you will feel comfortable and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily lives. Please sign the guest book in the Narthex and/or complete one of the Visitor's cards in the pews. The welcome folders in the pews are available for you to take to learn more about the Yorkminster Park Baptist Church community. City Parking at Alvin Ave. (one street east of Yonge & St. Clair) provides free parking Sunday morning until 12:45 p.m. Have your ticket stamped in the Narthex.
A warm welcome to Yorkminster Park!*

ABRAHAMIC FAITHS TOGETHER AT WORSHIP

Taize Evening Prayer and Interfaith Reception

An evening of quiet prayer and spiritual contemplation with the wider community followed by a welcoming reception with neighbours tonight at **7:30pm** at **Grace Church on the Hill** (300 Lonsdale Rd). Sponsored by the Neighbourhood Interfaith Group.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

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

HER PARENTS

by Joyce Wood

Today's Greeters: Wendy Campbell, Gordon Smith and Al Sablatnig.

COMMUNICATIONS

The morning service is webcast live and is archived on our website. All morning and evening worship services are recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the Desk in the Narthex and are also available on the church website: www.yorkminsterpark.com.

Please find the updated YPBC Monthly Prayer Calendar and quarterly YPBC News on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.

A large print version of this bulletin is available in the Narthex. If you would like one, please ask an usher.

For those who are unable to attend Tuesday morning prayers in the Chapel, you are welcome to contact the Church Office by phone at 416-922-1167 x221 or email at office@yorkminsterpark.com to be put on the prayer letter distribution list.

Please provide announcements by Tuesday for inclusion in the calendar.

The Ministerial Team will be attending a denominational clergy event this week from Tuesday afternoon through to Thursday at noon. If there is an urgent matter, please contact them by email, or leave a message with the office staff.

The Yorkminster Park Centre Greeters are at the desk from Monday to Friday from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Volunteers are needed to be substitutes or regular greeters. Please contact Jane Johnson at 416-964-2287 if you would like more information about joining the team.

YP GALLERY to November 23



Lois Dierlam painting
a portrait of her father (1974)

Dierlam & Dierlam - A Legacy features the work of the late Howard C. Dierlam and his daughter Lois. Both artists have focused their works on traditional landscapes in oil, acrylic and watercolour. Mentored by her father, Lois typically works in acrylic, with smaller paintings in watercolour. Lois is well known as an artist and arts educator, as was her father, who served as the first Director of Art for the Toronto Board of Education. Lois' parents Howard and his wife, Florence were original members of Yorkminster Baptist Church and participated actively in the life of Yorkminster.

CHRISTMAS CARDS



Doug Purdon "Christmas Eve" Christmas Cards are also available from the YP Women for \$15 per box. One option is blank and the other option has a Christmas greeting inside. Please contact the church office if you would like more information.

You may purchase, Anthony J. Batten greeting cards and help The Printing House feed hungry children in support of Blessings in a Backpack in Toronto (blessingsinabackpack.ca). Order cards at 416-504-5296 or tph.ca starting at \$1.70 each.



DISCIPLESHIP

<p>Bible Basics <i>Studying the Gospel of Mark</i> Sunday Morning Time: 9:45 am Teacher: Paula Willis Location: (Room 502) Administrative board room</p>	<p>Sunday Berean Class Time: 9:45am <i>Studying Epistle to Romans</i> Teacher: Peter Ferguson p.c.ferguson@sympatico.ca Location: Red Board Room</p>	<p>“Raising Children” November 6 Teacher: Andrew Alberti Sunday mornings 10:10 a.m. Location: Room 504 (above Cameron Hall).</p>
<p>Thursday Don Mills Bible Study <i>Studying the Psalms</i> Teacher: The Rev. John R. Torrance</p> <p>Contact Tom Hayes at 416-447-9416 or Arthur Fritzke at 416-493-1964. Time: 7:30pm</p>	<p>Tuesday Morning Prayer and Bible Study <i>Studying Corinthians</i> Teacher: Carol Belford Location: Friendship Room</p>	<p>Romans Lecture November 2 & 9 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm Peter Ferguson will present a paper on reading Romans chapters one through eight using the lens provided by Martin Luther and N.T. Wright. Knowledge of Romans and/or Wright’s work is not required. Each presentation will be about 45 minutes. There will be vigorous conversation along the way.</p>



YOUTH MINISTRY

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Book Study –
 “Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis
 Every **Sunday at 12:30pm**
 in the Youth Room
 Lunch will be provided every meeting.
 For more information, contact Sam Lee
slee@yorkminsterpark.com or
 416-922-1167 x229.

****NEW****

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

10am worship in Cameron Hall
 11am everyone in main service
 After Prayer with the Children, junior high and senior high small groups are in the youth zone.

One with Purpose

Joint worship night by Toronto Youth Network
November 18, 7pm
 @
 Little Trinity Anglican

BOARD OF MISSION

As mentioned by Rev. Peter Holmes last Sunday, the givings to date for Missions is below budget. This means that our partners in Mission, such as Karen Robinson - Youth Unlimited; Alana Walker-Carpenter – Intricity; Rupen Das – Lebanon; Cathie and David Philips - Turkey; OASIS Dufferin Community Centre and Mathew House will not receive the appropriate funding to support their work of bringing God's love to their respective communities.

If you wish to support the Mission Fund, please re-direct your givings to "Missions" on your envelope or if you give through automatic withdrawal please email Sheila Stonehouse sstonehouse@yorkminsterpark.com with your request.

CBM

The Sharing Way

The Sharing Way Annual Project, "**Good Works. Small Business. Big Change**", addresses the issue of microcredit and the impact that small loans can have on a community.

To donate: Cheques should be made out to Yorkminster Park Baptist Church, designating funds to: **CBM - The Sharing Way**

OUT OF THE COLD

On November 2, we reopen our weekly shelter for homeless people. Our program continues to April 2012. We ask for a commitment of once per month or more. Below are the opportunities:

Shift 2 - Dinner Food service, provision of supplies, entertainment and security: 6:45 until 11 pm (need 5-8 volunteers). For further information or if you feel you could help, please contact Olive Rose at 416-920-6782.

Shift 3 - Overnight: 10:45 pm until 6 am (need 2 volunteers)

Shift 4 - Breakfast Food service and clean up: 6 am until 8 am. (need 25 volunteers)

We also have a need for one weekly shopper to pick up the perishable items (apples, salad stuff, butter, etc.) to have these groceries to the church by Wednesday at 5 pm. Please contact Sandra Houser at 416-449-4428.

If anyone is interested in Shift 1, 3 or 4 please contact Denise Roeleveld at 416-483-0371 or den_roe@sympatico.ca and/or Joyce Rankin at rankinj@rogers.com.

Schedules can be picked up in the lower level mailslots.

Lastly, if anyone has any recent DVDs that they would like to donate for our guests to watch, we would appreciate that as well. Feel free to drop them off at the Church Office.



Worship & Mission
AFTER CHRISTENDOM
Nov 3 - 4

SPEAKERS: Alan and Eleanor Kreider, Mennonite theologians and co-authors of "Worship and Mission After Christendom"

EVENT DATES:

November 3 at 7:00 pm - "Worship and Mission: Breathing in and Breathing Out"

COST: FREE

November 4 at 9:00 am-3:00 pm

"Worship and Mission After Christendom"

COST: \$40.00

(Lunch and Refreshments included)

REGISTER:

<http://www.tyndale.ca/events/worship-mission>

LOCATION:

Tyndale University College and Seminary
25 Ballyconnor Court, Toronto -
Van Norman Centre



BUILD DAY - Saturday, November 5, 8am – 4pm

We still need volunteers – only 2 weeks to go. Please indicate your interest by signing the sheet on the Centre Hall bulletin board. Contact Marlene MacLuckie at 416-291-4542 for further details.

REFUGEE FAMILY UPDATE

Our family has moved! Update on Needs

Our new Canadian (refugee) family moved their household furnishings into their apartment last Sunday. We thank God for good weather, dedicated volunteers, and generous donors.

Please keep checking the YPBC calendar for announcements about further requirements, as we continue to assess the family's needs. If you have questions about the above, contact Kim Aikenhead at copper_tone@hotmail.com or 416-487-2629.

Refugee Sponsorship and Settlement Committee



BAPTIST WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

More than ever, Baptist women around the world need our prayers--and we need theirs! The Afternoon Mission Fellowship invites you to be part of this annual day of prayer, study, and giving in solidarity with millions of sisters around the globe, sponsored by the Women's Department of the Baptist World Alliance. Nancy Webb, former executive director of Canadian Baptist Women of Ontario and Quebec, will lead a biblical reflection on this year's theme of kindness. **Thursday, November 3 from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.** in the Friendship Room. Bring a bag lunch; tea is provided. All women and men are invited. If you cannot come, you can participate online at www.bwawd.org/759179.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 26 -

"COME WITH US TO BETHLEHEM" (FALL THANKOFFERING)

Guests: Peter Holmes and Harold Hetherington will share about their trip to Israel.

Heritage Room - YPBC

Programme at 10:30 a.m. Lunch to follow

Tickets (\$15.00) are on sale

from members of the Women's Executive or the Church Office beginning today.

Everyone invited!

CHRISTMAS SET-UP

Helpers needed for Christmas Set- Up of the Sanctuary on **Tuesday, November 29.**

If you wish to assist, please come to the Church between 7:30am and 11:30am.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

What's Up in Children's Ministries

Children's Ministries has a new curriculum - for Preschool children it is called **First Look** and for school age it is called **252Basics**. We're very excited about how the curriculum is engaging the children and their families. Each week we will let you know what our kids are learning and you can pray for them and encourage them! **First Look** – The monthly theme for October is 'God Made Me' and the memory verse is: "I am wonderfully made" Ps 139:14. This week the bottom line that we want to impress on our preschoolers is GOD LOVES EVERYTHING ABOUT ME.

252Basics – The monthly theme is Creativity and the memory verse is "For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Ephesians 2:10. This week the bottom line that we want to impress on our Grades 1 to 5 kids is: USE YOUR IMAGINATION TO DO MORE GOOD.

THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 2011 AT YORKMINSTER PARK

Sunday

- 9:15am Minster Singers rehearsal, Heritage Room
9:45am Senior High Class, Room 508 Youth Zone
9:45am Bible Basics, Room 502 Administrative Boardroom
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am Choristers, Room 203
10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, room 213
11:00am The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
– *The Sacrament of Holy Communion*
(Classes for toddlers to junior high children after the Children's Prayer)
12:15pm College and Career Book Study, Youth Zone
12:15pm Prayers for Healing and Blessings, Chapel
12:15pm Children's Ministry Stick Movement Rehearsal, Gym
12:15pm New Member Reception, Friendship Room
12:15pm Lois Dierlam Opening Art Reception, Centre Hall
7:00pm The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – *An Iona Liturgy*

Monday to Friday

- 9:00am Meals on Wheels, Heritage Room Kitchen

Monday

- 7:00pm Men's Book Club, Library

Tuesday

- 9:30am Prayers, Chapel
10:00am Dorcas Group, Room 203
10:00am Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room
10:00am Open Door, Narthex

Wednesday

- 10:00am Open Door, Narthex
12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital – *William Maddox*
6:00pm Out of the Cold, Gym and Heritage Room
7:00pm Romans Lecture, Friendship Room

Thursday

- 10:00am Open Door, Narthex
- 12:30pm Community Basketball, Gym
- 12:30pm Afternoon Mission Fellowship, Friendship Room
- 7:00pm Brentwood-Toronto AA, Heritage Room
- 7:30pm Senior Choir rehearsal, Cameron Hall
- 7:30pm Don Mills Bible Study, offsite

Friday

- 7:00pm YP Trailblazers Volleyball, Gym

Saturday

- 8:00am Habitat for Humanity Build, offsite
- 12:00pm Art Gallery, YP Centre

Next Sunday, November 6 – Remembrance Sunday

- 9:15am Minster Singers rehearsal, Heritage Room
- 9:45am Senior High Class, Room 508 Youth Zone
- 9:45am Bible Basics, Room 502 Administrative Boardroom
- 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
- 10:00am Choristers, Room 203
- 10:00am Parent Book Study, Room 504
- 10:30am Parade with The Toronto Police Military Veterans' Association, Yonge Street
- 10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, room 213
- 11:00am Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
- 12:15pm College and Career Bible Study
- 7:00pm The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – *Choral Evensong*

***Standard Time starts on November 6 at 2:00am.
Please remember to set your clocks back one hour.***

Lester C. Randall Preaching Fellowship *November 12 - 13, 2011*

Special Guest Speaker

Rev. Dr. Anna Carter Florence, *Decatur, Georgia, U.S.A.*

Lecture

Saturday, November 12, 10:30 am - Cameron Hall

"Scripture and Testimony: Speaking the Faith We See and Believe"

Testimony is an ancient word for the church, and one that many preachers are reclaiming. But testimony is more than "telling our story" or "sharing our faith." It is also a practice for living deeply into the scriptures – and recognizing when the verbs of the text become OUR verbs. In this lecture, Anna will talk about how testimony can help a church in transition speak its faith today, even as it comes to terms with how that faith has changed over times.

First Sermon

Sunday, November 13, 11:00 am

"Diving In"

John 21: 1 - 17

Second Sermon

Sunday, November 13, 7:00 pm

"Preaching the Verbs"

Luke 17:11-19



THE REV. DR. ANNA CARTER FLORENCE is the Peter Marshall Associate Professor of Preaching at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. She spends her days listening to student sermons, talking with pastors and churches about preaching, and thinking about exactly what it is we have all gotten ourselves into. Her first book, *Preaching as Testimony*, was published in 2007 (WJKP); she is currently at work on another one. Anna has degrees from Yale (B.A) and Princeton Theological Seminary (M.Div. and Ph.D.), and is an ordained pastor in the Presbyterian Church (USA). She and her husband, the Rev. David Carter Florence, have two lacrosse-playing sons, Caleb (20) and Jonah (16). They also have two dogs and a flock of chickens. This is all excellent counterpoint for sermons, and as Anna has learned, you can get a lot of knitting done at sports events.

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