

NOVEMBER 30, 2014

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Yorkminster Park

BAPTIST CHURCH

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Minister of Pastoral Care

The Rev. Deborah Ban
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**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*

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Chancel are dedicated to the glory of God

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

HELEN FERRIS

By the Edwards family

PRAYERS

Yorkminster Park endeavors to be a people of Prayer. We believe that personal intimacy with God our Savior 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 a.m., 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 10am to 3pm and Wednesday 10am to 12:30pm.

ART GALLERY - DECEMBER SHOW

Reception Today, 12:30pm to 2:30pm

MAURICE SNELGROVE "Watercolours"



Snelgrove's love of the outdoors and his concern for the environment are manifested in his watercolour landscapes. He has travelled extensively and painted coast to coast across Canada, including the Yukon, and the Nunavut Arctic and Greenland, the Northwest Territories, Newfoundland, Alaska, the Caribbean, Costa Rica, Italy, Belgium, France, Greece, Scotland, Mexico, New England and New Mexico in the USA.

2015 offering envelopes are in the Centre Hall today. Please pick up your set.

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LUKE iv. 18-19.

HARK the glad sound ! the Saviour comes,
The Saviour promised long ;
Let every heart prepare a throne,
And every voice a song.

- 2 He comes, the prisoners to release,
In Satan's bondage held :
The gates of brass before Him burst,
The iron fetters yield.
- 3 He comes, from thickest films of vice
To clear the mental ray,
And on the eyeballs of the blind
To pour celestial day.
- 4 He comes, the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of His grace
To enrich the humble poor.
- 5 Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace,
Thy welcome shall proclaim ;
And heaven's eternal arches ring
With Thy belovèd name.

Philip Doddridge, 1702-51, altd.

When He cometh

1. When He cometh, when He cometh,
To make up His jewels,
All His jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and His own,

*Like the stars of the morning,
His bright crown adorning,
They shall shine in their beauty,
Bright gems for His crown.*

2. He will gather, He will gather
The gems for His Kingdom,
All the pure ones, all the bright ones,
His loved and His own,
Like the stars of the morning...

3. Little children, little children,
Who love their Redeemer,
Are His jewels, precious jewels,
His loved and His own,
Like the stars of the morning...

Tell out, my soul

Woodlands

Walter Greatorex



1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
 Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
 tender to me the promise of His word;
 in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name!
 Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done;
 his mercy sure, from age to age the same;
 His holy Name-- the Lord, the mighty one.

3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
 Pow'rs and Dominions lay their glory by;
 proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
 the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of His word!
 Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure.
 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
 to children's children and for evermore!

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BLESSÈD assurance, Jesus is mine:
O what a foretaste of glory divine !
Heir of salvation, purchase of God ;
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.
*This is my story, this is my song,
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

- 2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,
Visions of rapture burst on my sight ;
Angels descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

- 3 Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Saviour am happy and blest ;
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Frances van Alstyne, 1820–1915.

EVENING SERVICE

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

Preludes Piano Sonata no. 16 in C major, K 330 *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*
Allegro moderato
Andante cantabile
Allegretto

Played by Heléna Bowkun

Processional Hymn 80 – Hail to the Lord’s anointed, omit verse 3 (Crüger)

Call to Worship **The Rev. Deborah Ban**

Introit – Remember, O thou man *Thomas Ravenscroft*

Remember, O thou man, O thou man, O thou man, Remember O thou man, thy time is spent:
Remember, O thou man, how thou cam’st to me then, and I did what I can, therefore repent.
Remember God’s goodness, O thou man, O thou man, Remember God’s goodness and promise made:

Remember God’s goodness, how his only Son he sent, our sins for to redress: be not afraid.
The angels all did sing, O thou man, O thou man, the angels all did sing, on Sion hill:
The angels all did sing praises to our heavenly King, And peace to man living, with right good will.

Invocation and The Lord’s Prayer (*sung Amen*) (Please see the inside cover of the hymn book.)

Holy Scripture - Malachi 4:1-6 (OT p.996)
Matthew 3:1-12 (NT p.3)

Solo – The sun shall be no more thy light by day *Maurice Greene*
Jessica Willingham, soprano

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Response - Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Amen. *G. Thalben Ball*

Announcements and Offering

Anthem – Lo, how a rose e’er blooming *Michael Praetorius*

Lo, how a Rose e’er blooming from tender stem hath sprung!
Of Jesse’s lineage coming as men of old have sung.
It came, a flow’ret bright, amid the cold of winter, when half-spent was the night.
Isaiah ‘twas foretold it, the Rose I have in mind,
With Mary we behold it, the Virgin Mother kind. To show God’s love aright,
She bore to men a Saviour, when half-spent was the night.

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 78 – Come Thou long expected Jesus (Stuttgart)

Sermon – TURNING BACK TO GOD **Rev. Dale Rose**

Hymn 183 – I cannot tell, omit verse 2 (Londonderry)

Benediction

Choral Amen (Reading)

Choir Recessional Nunc Dimittis with Antiphon *(Mode III.4, chant C.M. Palmer)*
Save us, O Lord, while waking, and guard us while sleeping; that awake we may watch with Thee, and asleep we may rest in peace. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; to be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Gloria.

WELCOME TO YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be with us, we hope that you will feel comforted and fulfilled, and that you will be strengthened to meet the challenges of your daily lives. Please fill out the Welcome card you find in the pew, place the card in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or minister.

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 available. Please speak with our volunteer at the Narthex Information table.

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.

Fellowship:

Following each morning worship service, we serve coffee and refreshments in the Narthex, reached through the Sanctuary. We invite you to participate with us.

Stay Connected:

The morning service is webcast live and archived on our website and all morning and evening worship services are recorded on CDs, which may be obtained from the Audio Desk in the Narthex.

Please find our quarterly newsletter on the Centre Hall, Narthex and South tables.

To be included on our mailing list, please fill out the card you will find in the pew and give it to an usher or mail it to us.

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, info@yorkminsterpark.com or **416-922-1167**.

Community Information

Downstairs in the lower level, there are bulletin boards where we post some church-related and community-related events. Next time you are in the lower level, take a moment to browse all of the events that are happening in our community.

BOARD OF MISSION - Open House on Refugee Sponsorship

Immediately following the morning service **Today** the Board of Mission will hold a brief Open House in the Friendship Room to discuss Refugee Sponsorship and to seek the Congregation's input and advice for continuing to sponsor refugee families. Please come and make your views known. A pizza lunch will be provided.

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 November is “Thank You, God, for everything.” and the memory verse is: “I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.” Psalm 111:1, ESV. The Bible story this week is from *GENESIS 1:26-27; 2:7,20-23*, God made people and we are thankful.



252Basics (Grades 1 to 5) – The monthly theme is ‘GRATITUDE, Letting others know you see how they’ve helped you.’ The memory verse is “Give thanks no matter what happens. God wants you to thank him because you believe in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:18, NIRV. This week’s lesson is about Paul thanking people taken from *Romans 16:1-19*. The bottom line is “Take time to remember how others have helped you.”

Remember that next week is the closing of our “In Our Own Backyard” Mission project. Bring your gift to the 11:00 a.m. service next Sunday and it will be collected and dedicated in the service.

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



The December 2014 – February 2015 ‘Our Daily Bread’ is available in the Centre Hall, Narthex and at <http://odb.org/>

Enrich your spiritual life in this season of preparation by including an

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

in your festive routine.

You are invited to choose one of the following:

Wait for the Lord By Henri Nouwen

Living the Gospel Life with a mission

Advent Calendar Daily Scripture and Reflections

These resources can be found on display in the Narthex & Centre Hall

You are invited to join any BIBLE STUDY AND LIFE GROUP at any time.

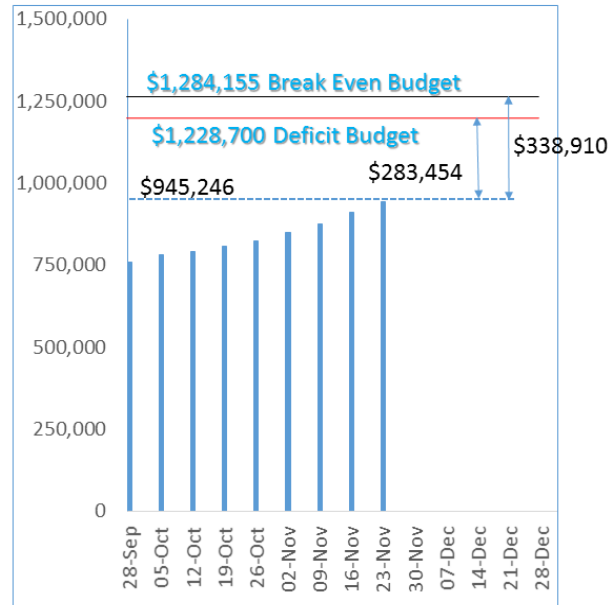
For information and ideas, please contact The Rev. Deborah Ban

at 416-922-1167 x. 235 or dban@yorkminsterpark.com

An Update on 2014 Offerings

This chart shows, in weekly increments from September 28th, the progress toward accomplishing the level of general offerings and contributions needed in 2014 to meet the Budget (leaving a deficit of \$55,455) or better still, to break even. Last year we were able to break even. Similarly generous commitments are needed again in 2014.

As of Nov 23, the general offerings year-to-date were 74% of the amount needed for the church to break even for the year.



General Fund Revenue and Expenses

	Year to Date (October 31st)			Year End
	2014 Actual	2014 Budget	2013 Actual	2014 Budget
General Fund Offerings	\$834,000	\$833,000	\$839,000	\$1,229,000
Use of Facilities and Interest Income	\$137,000	\$115,000	\$113,000	\$162,000
Expenses Net of Trust Fund Recoveries and Sundry Income	\$1,149,000	\$1,162,000	\$1,115,000	\$1,448,000
Deficit for the period	\$178,000	\$213,000	\$163,000	\$57,000

The table above shows our expense and revenue position to the end of October. The offerings numbers in the graph are more up to date. The table shows that the overall offerings are pretty close to budget and to last year. The expenses are slightly higher than last year but below budget. Our deficit up to the end of October seems quite large at \$178,000. It is actually a bit less than we expected at this time of year. As of the end of October we need \$395,000 in offerings to match the budget and \$452,000 to break even. To get this much, will require more than the normal offerings. It is hoped that all supporters of YPBC will look into ways that this goal can be achieved.

With grateful thanks for your understanding and support.

The Board of Finance and Administration

The Board of Finance and Administration is very pleased to announce that Debbie Bozzi is joined Yorkminster Park as our Director of Operations. Debbie comes to the church with extensive experience in Church Administration. Please take the opportunity to welcome Debbie if you see her.

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
drabbets@yorkminsterpark.com

Sunday Morning Schedule for Youth Group
10:00am - Youth Bible Study in Youth Zone Room 508
11:00am - Youth in Service
11:15am - Youth go to Cameron Hall for Doxa after
the Children's Moment

The 3rd Sunday of the month is Serve Sunday where youth are encouraged to use their gifts to serve the church. Please speak with Brennan for details.

Potluck Christmas Party at YPBC on December 12 at 6pm.

DORCAS GROUP • Tuesdays at 10:00 am in Room 508

We would love to have you join us for a time of fellowship, while we knit/crochet articles and garments for those less fortunate. We also trim stamps for the Canadian Bible Society and soup labels which help to purchase sports equipment. Bring your lunch and coffee/tea will be provided. See you there!

YPBC is hosting a new
LUNCHTIME CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES (9sparrowsarts.org)

Tuesdays at 12:10pm

December 2 – Alheli Pimienta, flute and Adam Sherkin, piano

December 9 – Rising Stars Recital featuring students from the Glenn Gould Studio

Bells on Bay St. PRESENTS The Bay St. Express

Wednesday, December 3, 2014 7:15 AM - 8:45 AM

Guest Speaker: Bruce McQuaig, President and CEO of Metrolinx

Philanthropic Partner: Stacey Campbell, Executive Director and CEO of

Prison Fellowship Canada

Fairmont Royal York Hotel

Tables: \$500/Tickets: \$50

RSVP www.eventbrite.ca by December 1.



OUT OF THE COLD

The Foot Care program is beginning and would appreciate help with carrying water. There are currently enough footwashers, and the need is for people to carry water in basins and buckets. FOOTWASHING will commence **December 3**. Helpers are needed to carry water from **7pm to 8:30pm**. It can be every Wednesday or as often as one is able to assist. Please contact Kim Aikenhead at 416-487-2629 if available.

Thursday, December 4, 12:30 • OASIS THEN AND NOW



Twenty years ago Phyllis Ortiz was so moved by the plight of Toronto's Hispanic immigrants that she launched the Oasis Dufferin Community Centre at what was then Dufferin Street Baptist Church. The Afternoon Mission Fellowship invites you to meet Joe Abbey-Colborne, pastor of the Oasis Church, and hear how Oasis has responded to the changing needs and challenges of the community it serves. Thursday, December 4, at 12:30 p.m.

in the Friendship Room. Bring a sandwich for yourself and toiletries for the Oasis Christmas gift distribution.



White Gift Sunday 11:00 a.m. - December 7th

White Gift Sunday has been a long standing tradition here at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church. On this special Sunday before Christmas, we collect gifts that are given to a mission right here in the city. This year it is Yonge Street Mission. You may bring a gift of non-perishable food to be presented by you to the service in the sanctuary at 11:00am.

At a specially designed time, children will collect your gifts and place them under the tree. You may also bring your gifts for "In Our Own Backyard" Mission project to place under the tree.

Thank you for your generosity!

Yonge Street Mission Christmas Wish List 2014

Food for the Christmas season & to stock our Food Bank during the depths of the winter:

Canned Food:

- Chick peas & other beans
- Vegetables & fruit
- Tuna & salmon
- Soups & stews
- Fruit juice
- Spaghetti sauce

For the Christmas Season:

- Christmas cake
- Oranges
- Cookies & biscuits
- Condiments & seasonings

Packaged Food:

- Peanut butter
- Pasta & kraft dinner
- Rice & cereal
- Gluten free pasta & cereal
- Cooking oil

- Tea & coffee
- Powdered milk
- Candy & chocolate
- Jars of jam
- Power bars & meal replacements
- Baby cereal & jarred food
- Baby formula liquid or powdered
- Other infant items bottles, soothers, diapers

Do you know the History of White Gift Sunday?

White Gift Sunday dates back to 1904 in Ohio. The wife of a Methodist minister and her two daughters came up with the idea of giving gifts wrapped in white paper at Christmas time to people in need. Gifts are wrapped in white so that they will be anonymous. There is a Chinese tradition where all the people gave their king a gift wrapped in plain white paper so that every gift would look the same. Each person gave the king what they were able, and the king welcomed them all. The White Gift shares in the spirit of Christ and the God of love at Christmas. We give gifts of love to people in need.

“In Our Own Backyard” - Christmas 2014 Children’s Mission Project



Make a difference to people in our own city this winter.

Each year, we have given gifts to others out of thankfulness for all God has given us. We have chosen to be involved locally by providing gifts for people ‘in our own backyard’! We are collecting items to help a ministry here in the city. In partnership with Youth Unlimited, we are assisting families in the Shoreham Court and Driftwood communities.

How can you help?

Pick up an empty gift bag in the Narthex or the Centre Hall, take it home and fill it. Or bring an unwrapped gift and drop it in the specially marked boxes in the Centre Hall by **December 7**. The dedication of the gifts will be on December 7th. Information sheets are on the Centre Hall and Narthex tables.

The Christmas Cakes are coming!

The Men's Baking Group will have this year's Christmas Cakes ready for sale starting Sunday, December 7 following the morning service. The proceeds from this sale will be donated to House of Compassion.



Toronto Mendelssohn Choir presents **Festival of Carols** with the 30 piece Canadian Staff Band, at YP Wednesday, December 10, 7:30 p.m. tickets \$25-\$120. 416-598-0522 x 221

<http://www.tmchoir.org/>

CHRISTMAS PREPARATIONS AND DECORATIONS

Helpers are needed to put up garlands in the Sanctuary. Please contact Kim Aikenhead at 416-487-2629 if available.



Amadeus Choir of Toronto with Bach Children’s Chorus and Trillium Brass presents **Joy of Singing: The Magic of Song! “Sure on this Shining Night”** with guest host Mary Lou Fallis, C.M. at YP Saturday, December 13, 7:30 p.m.. 416-446-0188. Revel in the joy of the season as we sing “Sure on this Shining Night” by Morten Lauridsen, works by Wilberg, Daley and Willcocks, and winning compositions from the Amadeus 28th Annual Seasonal Song-Writing Competition – children and youth category. Tickets \$15 - \$40. For tickets and information, call 416-446-0188 or visit <http://www.amadeuschoir.com/>.



Christmas Cookies for our elderly and homebound friends

Please bake and bring 4 dozen home-baked goodies to the Heritage Room Kitchen before the morning service of Sunday, December 14.

Your sweets and treats are greatly appreciated.

Prime Timers – December 16, 12:30pm in the Friendship Room

My Christmas Songs and their stories with hymn writer and musician, John Moore.



The **Orpheus Choir of Toronto** and the **Hannaford Street Silver Band** present **Welcome Christmas II** with guest narration by **Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes** at YP, Tuesday, December 16, 7:30 p.m. tickets \$15 - \$40. 416-420-9660



SERVICE OF COMFORT AND HOPE - Saturday, December 20, 11:00 am

If at this Christmas season you are **going through a time of transition in your life**; experiencing feelings of loss or loneliness; or you would just like a break from the upcoming stress and busyness of the holiday season, please join us for a Christmas Service of Comfort and Hope in the Chapel. This is a quiet, contemplative service to help validate our feelings and draw us closer to God. A light lunch will follow in the Friendship Room. **All are welcome.**

BUNDLE UP FOR
Bethlehem
ON Yonge

**CHRISTMAS EVE
LIVE NATIVITY with ANIMALS**

Wednesday, December 24 - 5:00 p.m.
Outdoors in the Park at Yorkminster Park

Hot Chocolate and Carol singing
indoors with the Minster Singers

Bethlehem on Yonge

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

Did you know that last year in spite of the ice storm we had over 380 people who registered at the census table? And 220 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?

- Freeze ice lanterns – If you have freezer space, take a mold home to use to freeze several lanterns
- Sign up to be one of our characters: be a soldier, guide, shepherd, or wise man.
- Be a host to welcome people in Cameron Hall for refreshments

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

Wednesday, December 24, 11pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

A community of faith gathers together to recognize the light of Christ delivered as a little baby so long ago, and to share the light of Christ with each other and then take it to the world. It is a wonderful metaphor of the Christian walk that is incredibly renewing and unifying.

Thursday, December 25, 11am – Christmas Day Communion
A quiet service with the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Wednesday, December 31, 11pm – Watchnight Service

A **watchnight service** is a late-night Christian church service. It is held late on New Year's Eve, and ends after midnight. This provides the opportunity for Christians to review the year that has passed and make confession, and then prepare for the year ahead by making new commitments. There is a deep sense of blessing for many that they have begun a new year with their sisters and brothers of the Christian family in God's house.

YPBC WOMEN'S RETREAT - JUST AS I AM: BODY AND SOUL

An exploration of self-acceptance

SATURDAY JANUARY 17, 2015 - 9 AM to 3:30 PM

at NOVOTEL, North York, 3 Park Home Ave., Gibson Ballroom

FACILITATOR: Cindy Mosey. Cindy has capably led two of our previous retreats and is a committed Christian and a Social Worker by profession.

FEE: \$45 - Cheques payable to YPBC Women - January 10, 2015 cut off date.

Please see **DETAILS** on Registration Form.

Light refreshments and a full hot lunch will be served with vegetarian and gluten free options available.

Registration Forms are available on the Centre Hall bulletin board beside our poster and on a table in the Narthex.

All women are warmly invited to this soul-nurturing day-apart. And remember, this would make a lovely Christmas present for a special woman in your life.

MEALS ON WHEELS



Are you tired of preparing your meals each day? Are you a senior or a disabled person having difficulty shopping for food supplies? If so, call Yorkminster Park Meals on Wheels at 416-482-0549. We have volunteers who can deliver hot meals or a frozen entrée (chosen by you from an extensive menu) to your home at reasonable prices. New volunteers are also needed.

CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOODBANK



December's Food of the Month suggested donation is **Peanut Butter**. Please support your Churches On-The-Hill Foodbank to help those in need, donations can be left at the back of the church.

On behalf of the clients, volunteers at the COTH Foodbank, thank you for your support.

A NOTE TO ALL MINISTRY COORDINATORS

If you are planning a meeting or rehearsal, please make sure to call/email the Church Office to book the space you need. Thank you.

YORKMINSTER PARK CENTRE HALL GREETERS

We are reaching out to anyone with an interest in putting a few hours in each month to be Centre Hall desk greeters. The times are Monday to Friday from 10:00 am-2:00 pm, for a maximum of four hours a month. If you are interested or would like further information, please contact Len Linton at leonardlinton@rogers.com.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

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

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

For the health and well being of the YP community,
4 additional Hand Sanitizers have been added throughout the Church.

Please see information on winter wellness in the Narthex and Centre 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
by email: parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com.
All communications are strictly confidential.

CHRISTMAS CARDS



Doug Purdon "Christmas Eve" Christmas Cards are available from the YP Women for \$10 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.

BENEVOLENT FUND

Through the ministry of the Yorkminster Park Benevolent Fund, members of the ministerial team are able to access funds for the purpose of offering practical help and support to people experiencing economic difficulties.

This ministry is always exercised in a confidential fashion, but the congregation is informed when the fund is running low in order that people might be given opportunity to respond to the need. The fund is now running low. If you wish to contribute, please write a cheque to Yorkminster Park and designate it for the Benevolent Fund. Thank you for helping us to help others.

The Ministerial Team



THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2014

Sunday – Advent I

- 9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room
9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am A Pilgrimage with Jesus Bible Study, Fifth Level Boardroom
10:00am Parenting Life Group, Youth Zone Room 508
10:00am Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
10:00am Youth Bible Study, Youth Room 510
10:50am Nursery for newborn to 2 year old children, Room 213
11:00am The Rev. Dale Rose – The Sacrament of Baptism
(Classes for toddlers to senior high youth after the Children's Prayer)
11:20am Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall
12:30pm Board of Mission Refugee Sponsorship Open House,
Friendship Room
12:30pm Art Gallery Reception – Maurice Snelgrove, Centre Hall
12:30pm Children's Ministry Stick Drama Practice, Heritage Room
7:00pm Rev. Dale Rose

Monday to Friday

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

Monday

- 7:00pm Bereavement Support Group, Room 508

Tuesday

- 9:30am Prayers, Chapel
10:00am Dorcas Group, Room 508
10:00am Open Door, Narthex
12:00pm Community Basketball, Gym
12:00pm Stewardship Committee Meeting, Library
12:10pm Chamber Music Series, Sanctuary
4:30pm Property Committee Meeting, Administrative Boardroom 502
5:30pm Deacons/Finance Executive Meeting, Library
7:00pm Board of Mission Presentation, Heritage Room
8:00pm Board of Deacons, Friendship Room
8:00pm Board of Finance, Red Boardroom
8:00pm Board of Mission, Room 504

Wednesday

- 10:00am Open Door, Narthex
- 12:30pm Noonday Organ Recital – *Andrew Adair*
- 6:00pm Out of the Cold, Gym and Heritage Room
- 7:00pm Worship Committee Meeting, Administrative Boardroom 502

Thursday

- 7:00pm Men's Bible Study, Friendship Room
- 10:00am Open Door, Narthex
- 10:00am YP Women's Executive, Administrative Boardroom 502
- 12:30pm Afternoon Mission Fellowship, Friendship Room
- 12:30pm Community Basketball, Gym
- 7:00pm Brentwood -Toronto Support Group, Heritage Room
- 7:00pm House of Compassion Board Meeting, Red Boardroom
- 7:30pm Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall
- 7:30pm Don Mills Bible Study, offsite

Friday

- 4:00pm House of Compassion Open House on Shaw Street

Saturday

- 12:00pm Art Gallery
- 2:00pm City Carol Sing, Sanctuary

Next Sunday – Advent II

- 9:15am Minster Singers, Heritage Room
- 9:45am Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
- 10:00am A Pilgrimage with Jesus Bible Study, Fifth Level Boardroom
- 10:00am Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
- 10:00am Parenting Life Group, Youth Zone Room 508
- 10:00am Youth Bible Study, Youth Room 510
- 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 senior high youth after the Children's Prayer)
- 11:20am Doxa Youth Worship, Cameron Hall
- 12:30pm Full Life Group, Youth Zone 508
- 1:00pm Ball Hockey, Gym
- 7:00pm Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes – An Iona Liturgy



CITY CAROL SING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2:00 PM

With Gord Martineau, Deborah Hay, Ted Dykstra, choirs, brass.
An annual benefit for the Daily Bread/Churches-on-the-Hill Food Banks

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 4:30 PM

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


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

NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 4:30 PM

Following the historic tradition of King's College in Cambridge.

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