FEBRUARY 1, 2015



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

The Rev. Dale Rose Minister of Pastoral Care

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

> Mr. Brennan Rabbets Interim Director of Youth

The Rev. Deborah Ban Minister of Discipleship

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MORNING WORSHIP • FEBRUARY 1, 2015

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Prelude	Septuagésime Diffusa est		Dom Paul Benoit Dom Paul Benoit
Processional	Hymn 42 – Holy, holy, holy (I	vicaea)	
	all to Worship (Psalm 111)		Brennan Rabbets
	the LORD! I will give thanks to upright, in the congregation.	the LORD with my whole he	eart, in the company
	are the works of the LORD,	studied by all who delight i	n them.
•	honour and majesty is his worl		
People: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the LORD is gracious and merciful.			
•	ovides food for those who fear		
	is shown his people the powe ations.	er of his works, in giving th	nem the heritage of
	orks of his hands are faithful ar	nd just; all his precepts are tr	ustworthy.
• •	are established forever and e	ever, to be performed with	faithfulness and
	htness. nt redemption to his people; he	has commanded his covena	int forever. Holy and
	ome is his name.		
People: The fe	ear of the LORD is the beginr	ning of wisdom; all those w	ho practice it have a
-	understanding. His praise e	ndures forever.	
Leader: Let us	•		
Introit – (cong	gregation seated) The Cloths	of Heaven Inster Singers	Mark Sirett
		ductor; Christel Wiens, pian	0
Invocation an	d The Lord's Prayer (sung An	•	Brennan Rabbets
	t the name of Jesus, omit ver	,	
Prayer with th	e Children	The Rev	v. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
•	nderfully Made		George
Announceme	nts		•
Holy Scripture	e – Mark 1:21-28 (NT p.35-36)		Tom Hayes
Pastoral Pray	er (seated)		The Rev. Dale Rose
Choral Respo	nse		C. M. Palmer
Save, L	ord, and hear us, O King of	heaven, when we call upor	n thee. Amen.
Offering – I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship (Romans 12:1)			
Anthem Deep River Spiritual, arr. Richard Shephard			
Deep river, my home is over Jordan; Deep river, Lord; I want to cross over into campground. O God's children, don't you want to go to the heavenly feast in the promised land, the land where all is peace? Walk right into heaven, and take my seat, and throw myself at leave' feat			

and throw myself at Jesus' feet. Martin Houtman, tenor Doxology Hymn 766 Sermon – OFF THE MAP The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Hymn 50 – Dear Lord and Father (Repton) **Reception of New Members Church Covenant** (page 4) Act of Remembrance – Joyce Webb The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes **Choral Preparation** Whitworth Glory to the Father, fount of life alone; who unto the Gentiles, made his glory known. Equal praise and glory, blessed Son, to thee, and to thee, blest Spirit, evermore shall be. The Rev. Deborah Ban Invitation to the Table Words of Institution The Rev. Dale Rose Prayer of Thanksgiving **Distribution of the Elements Recessional Hymn 151 – When I survey** (Rockingham) The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes Benediction **Choral Amen** (Stanford in B flat) Allegro Maestoso Frank Bridge Postlude

The Memorial Bells will peal for five minutes following the Postlude.

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 today are dedicated to the glory of God and placed in loving memory of **RANDALL (RANDY) SPELLER**

By Helen and family

COMMUNION

Communion at Yorkminster Park is open to all who love Christ and seek to live in His ways. To address the needs of some congregants whose allergies have prevented them from fully participating in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the communion bread in the centre of the plate is gluten-free.

4:30PM SERVICE – An Iona Liturgy – The Rev. Deborah Ban preaching

THANK YOU

Parish Nurse, Cathy Newman, wishes to thank everyone at Yorkminster Park for their many thoughtful and comforting responses to the death of her father.

HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God almighty ! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity !

2 Holy, holy, holy ! all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who wast, and art, and evermore shalt be.

 3 Holy, holy, holy ! though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
 Only Thou art holy : there is none baside Thee

Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

4 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty ! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea : Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity !

Reginald Heber, 1783-1826.

SECOND TUNE

EVELYNS 65.65.D

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W. H. MONK, 1823-89



PHILIPPIANS II. 5-11

- AT the name of Jesus Every knee shall bow, Every tongue confess Him King of glory now. 'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call Him Lord, Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word:
- 2 Mighty and mysterious In the highest height, God from everlasting, Very light of light. In the Father's bosom, With the Spirit blest, Love, in love eternal, Rest, in perfect rest.
- 3 Humbled for a season, To receive a name
 From the lips of sinners Unto whom He came,
 Faithfully He bore it Spotless to the last,
 Brought it back victorious, When from death He passed;

- 4 Bore it up triumphant With its human light, Through all ranks of creatures, To the central height; To the throne of Godhead, To the Father's breast, Filled it with the glory Of that perfect rest.
- 5 In your hearts enthrone Him; There let Him subdue All that is not holy, All that is not true: Crown Him as your captain In temptation's hour, Let His will enfold you In its light and power.
- 6 Brothers, this Lord Jesus Shall return again,
 With His Father's glory, With His angel-train;
 For all wreaths of empire Meet upon His brow,
 And our hearts confess Him King of glory now.

Caroline Noel, 1817-77

DEAR Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our foolish ways; Reclothe us in our rightful mind; In purer lives Thy service find, In deeper reverence, praise.

2 In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea,
The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word Rise up and follow Thee.

3 O Sabbath rest by Galilee !
O calm of hills above,
Where Jesus knelt to share with Thee The silence of eternity, Interpreted by love !

4 With that deep hush subduing all Our words and works that drown The tender whisper of Thy call, As noiseless let Thy blessing fall, As fell Thy manna down.

5 Drop Thy still dews of quietness, Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace.

6 Breathe through the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still small voice of calm !

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WHEN I survey the wondrous cross Where the young Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God: All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3 See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down: Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small, Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYERS

Yorkminster Park endeavours 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 <u>prayer@yorkminsterpark.com</u>

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.

LUNCHTIME CHAMBER MUSIC

Tuesdays at 12:10pm February 3 – Rising Stars Recital featuring performance students from the Glenn Gould School

NOONDAY ORGAN RECITALS

Wednesdays at 12:30pm February 4 – Simon Walker February 11 – Andrew Adair

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.

NEW MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES

Deborah Ban

Deborah was raised in a Christian home with both her parents involved in ministry. She earned her Master of Divinity degree at McMaster University. Deborah has had experience in the areas of counselling and chaplaincy. Previous pastorships have included Lorne Park and Temple Baptist in Sarnia. Her induction service into our church family as Minister of Discipleship will take place on Sunday February 8, 2015 at 4:30 pm.

Sally Leitch

Sally grew up in St. Andrews Presbyterian Church here in the city. She has been active in our Out Of The Cold programme for about 5 years. Sally studied English at the University of Toronto and Journalism at Ryerson. She attended Christmas and Easter services over the years and began to come steadily once she moved into the neighbourhood. She appreciates the ministry team here as well as the music.

Linda Miller

Linda trained as a nurse but became interested in fashion and took a course in Applied Arts, Fashion at Ryerson. She first attended a Mendelssohn Choir performance here and then returned to attend services. She takes a great interest in community activities. Linda appreciates her connection with our members and has volunteered faithfully with the Coffee Talk programme.

Barbara and Warren Paddon

Barbara grew up in Hamilton and attended 2 churches there while Warren attended several as his family moved. They met at Philpott Memorial Chruch young peoples group and were married in 1957. They have a large family with many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Barbara has been active as a pianist and organist for over 30 years. Warren was a Chartered Accountant and served on the Board of Directors of the African Evangelical Foundation. They help with our Out of the Cold ministry.

ART GALLERY – Ila Kellermann – *Remark*

Kellermann's work celebrates and documents the tenacity and timelessness of nature. Her mark making explores the iconography and stewardship of landscapes and their inhabitants, while her ever-expanding membrane of colour and contemporary approach articulate her passions for our environment. Continuing to February 18.

YOUTH MINISTRY • brabbets@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.

CALENDAR NOTICES

Please note that items for inclusion are due on the Tuesday prior to the Sunday when you would like your item to be included in the calendar. In an effort to streamline the calendar, we are endeavouring to publish one announcement/Board or Committee notice a maximum of twice a month.

CHURCHES ON THE HILL FOODBANK

February's Food of the Month suggested donation is Dry Pasta.

Please support your Churches On-the-Hill Foodbank to help those in need. Donations can be left in the donation box in the Centre Hall just outside the Sanctuary (north east exit), near the doors to the Friendship Room.

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

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

- The Parish Nurse's office is now "The Health and Wellness Resource Centre" located in Room 403 beside Cameron Hall.
- The Parish Nurse is available Sundays 9am-3pm; Tuesdays 9am-3pm; Wednesdays 3pm-6pm and Thursdays by appointment.
- Please see the latest Health Bulletin 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 or by email: <u>parishnurse@yorkminsterpark.com</u>. All communications are strictly confidential.

BOARD OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

The Board of Finance and Administration is pleased to report that the year-end numbers show a small surplus for the year ending December 31st, 2014. This surplus is the result of generous contributions from the congregation and good expense control by the Boards, Committees and Staff. We thank you all for your efforts.

	January 1s 2014	d Revenue and t to December 2014	31st, 2014 2013
	Budget	Actual	Actual
Offerings excluding amounts for Missions* Other Revenues (excluding Recoveries from Trust	\$1,228,700	\$1,225,338	\$1,276,395
Funds)	\$192,483	\$215,575	\$197,982
Total Revenue	\$1,421,183	\$1,440,913	\$1,474,377
Expenses, excluding Missions disbursements*	\$1,586,021	\$1,513,215	\$1,514,471
General offerings and other revenues less general			
expenses	(\$164,838)	(\$72,303)	(\$40,094)
Recoveries from trust funds	\$101,250	\$78,896	\$91,348
Operating deficit	(\$63,588)	\$6,594	\$51,255

Mission Income and disbursements

\$154,900 \$142,382

\$151,842

The Audit will not take place until March 2015, so the numbers shown above are unaudited. * Missions revenue expense are excluded because they are "flow through", i.e. what is given is completely passed on to various missions and programs

With grateful thanks for your support. The Board of Finance and Administration

All Church Lenten Study 2015

February 18th – March 25th

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Soul Keeping: Caring For the Most Important Part of You by John Ortberg

"The soul is NOT 'a theological and abstract subject.' The soul is... the most mysterious, sacred, eternal, life-directing dimension of your existence. Jesus said it's worth more than the world." Bestselling author John Ortberg writes another classic that will help you discover your soul and take your relationship with God to the next level.

Jesus calls us to a deep life...a well-cared-for soul has the capacity to empathize and understand profoundly, to ask questions and not simply go through the motions of faith. It has access to the kind of peace, gratitude, freedom and blessing that comes from a heavenly wellspring."

Please join us in one of our Lenten Soul Keeping Studies

All Church Lenten Study 2015 February 18 th – March 25 th			
Sundays – 12:30 pm	begins February 22 nd		
YPBC Room 508	Leader: Full Life Group		
Mondays – 7:00 pm	begins February 23 rd		
YPBC Library	Leader: Trevor Sinker		
Tuesdays – 10:00 am	Women's Study		
YPBC Friendship Room	Leader: Carol Belford		
Tuesdays – 6:30 pm	begins February 17 th		
YPBC Room 502	Leader: Stuart Campbell, Rob Inman, Ron Wakelin		
Wednesdays – 7:30 am Marche, Brookfield Place Yonge/Front Streets	begins February 18 th Leader: Alana Walker Carpenter		
Wednesdays – 12:00 pm	begins February 18 th		
YPBC Library	Leader: Otha Sim & Dina Gilbert		
Wednesdays – 7:00 pm	begins February 18 th		
YPBC Friendship Room	Leader: Deborah Ban		
Thursdays – 7:00 pm	begins February 19 th		
YPBC Room 504	Leader: John Speller		
Thursdays – 7:00 pm	begins February 19 th		
YPBC Room 502	Leader: Paula Willis		
Thursdays – 7:30 pm Hayes Home	begins February 19 th Leader: Dale Rose 11		

Friday – 6:30 pm	begins February 20 th	
YPBC Friendship Room	Leader: Life Group	
Saturday – 10:30 am	begins February 21 st	

YPBC Room 508

Leader: David Dorapalli

Please register your attendance. On Sundays at Lenten Study Kiosk provided in the Narthex and the Yorkminster Park Centre Hall. Anytime by email: dban@yorkminsterpark.com or through Church office 416.922.1167

Day of Prayer - Wednesday, February 18, 2015

Lent is the Christian season of preparation before Easter. Ash Wednesday marks the start of the season of Lent which begins 40 days prior to Easter. The season of Lent is a time when many Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance and spiritual disciplines of meditation and prayer. The purpose is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ - his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial and resurrection.

You are invited to participate in our Day of Prayer on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. Our prayers and fast will begin following the Shrove Tuesday service and end Ash Wednesday evening.

Sign-up sheets for the Day of Prayer schedule are available in Centre Hall.

Please sign up for a 15-minute period of prayer. Prayer lists will be sent to those participating. The Chapel will be open during the day for those who wish to offer prayers at the church.

> The March-April-May 'Our Daily Bread' Devotionals are available in the Centre Hall and Narthex.

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"

First Look (Preschool and Kindergarten) - The monthly theme for February is "Jesus wants to be my friend forever." and the memory verse is: "How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18, NIV. The Bible story this week is from LUKE 15:3-7, Jesus tells the story about the lost sheep so we will know that God loves us and will always look out for us. The BOTTOM LINE we want children to learn is that "Jesus loves them".



252Basics (Grades 1 to 5) - The monthly theme is KINDNESS, Showing others they are valuable by how you treat them. The memory verse is "Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31, NIrV. This week's lesson is about Jesus and the children as taken from Mark 10:13-16. The BOTTOM LINE of the lesson is that there's always time to be kind.

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

THIS WEEK AT YORKMINSTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Tuesday, February 3	9:30am 10:00am 10:00am 12:10pm 5:30pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Prayers, Chapel Dorcas Group, Room 508 Women's Prayer and Bible Study, Friendship Room Lunchtime Chamber Music Series – Rising Stars Deacons/Finance Executive, Library Board of Deacons, Friendship Room Board of Finance, Red Boardroom
Wednesday, February 4	12:00pm 12:30pm 7:30pm	Men's Lunch Group, Fox and Fiddle Noonday Organ Recital – Simon Walker Worship Committee Meeting, Administrative Boardroom
Thursday, February 5	10:00am 12:30pm 6:00pm 7:30pm 7:30pm	YP Women's Executive, Administrative Boardroom Afternoon Mission Fellowship, Friendship Room Church Council, Red Boardroom Don Mills Bible Study, offsite Senior Choir Rehearsal, Cameron Hall
Friday, February 6	6:00pm 7:00pm	Life Group, Friendship Room YP Trailblazers Volleyball Drop In, Gym

Next Sunday, February 8

9:15am	Minster Singers, Heritage Room
9:45am	Berean Bible Study, Red Boardroom
10:00am	A Pilgrimage with Jesus Bible Study, Administrative Boardroom 502
10:00am	Chorister Rehearsal, Room 203A
10:00am	Parents Life Group, Room 508
10:00am	Youth Bible Study, Room 510
11:00am	The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes
12:30pm	Guest Connection, Friendship Room
12:30pm	Full Life Group
4:30pm	The Rev. Deborah Ban Induction Service

SERVICE OF INDUCTION for The Rev. Deborah Ban as Minister of Discipleship will take place at Yorkminster Park on **Sunday, February 8 at 4:30 p.m.** Our guest preacher will be Deborah's husband, The Rev. Craig Rumble, of Markham Baptist Church. A reception will follow.

MEN'S LUNCH "A Report on the Franklin Expedition" Wednesday, February 4, 12 noon at Fox and Fiddle

The men of the church will gather at the Fox and Fiddle for lunch. Our special guest will be Geordie Dalglish, who was a partner on the recent expedition which discovered the remains of one of Franklin's vessels, HMS Erebus. Geordie will give an illustrated talk of this recent adventure. More details to follow.

ADVENTURES IN EVERYDAY MISSION



In his sermon on January 18, Peter Holmes encouraged all of us to do the work of Christ in the world. The Mission Fair highlighted some of the ways our congregation is involved in mission. Now the Afternoon Mission Fellowship is offering you an opportunity to talk about your own adventures in everyday mission. How do you share the love of Christ in word and deed? In your family? At work? With your neighbours? Through mission projects or community outreach? Join us on

Thursday, February 5, 12:30 to 2:00 in the Friendship Room. Bring a sandwich. If you can't be there to tell us in person, tell us via a short email to <u>ejbarnes@primus.ca</u> (by February 4).

PRIME TIMERS – **Tuesday, February 17, 12:30pm**: We had a wonderful time touring St Petersburg with Corey Keeble last month. This month we welcome Randall Speller, who will be talking about A CHURCH AT WAR; BLOOR ST. BAPTIST AND WW I. Randall will speak about the effect of WW I on a midtown Toronto congregation - on its people, its minister and its role in city life. The reality of war and the death of thirty young men profoundly changed the future direction of the church.

The growth and expansion of Bloor Street Baptist resulted in the creation and construction of Yorkminster Baptist Church in 1927.

PASTORS' PANCAKE SUPPER

Shrove Tuesday, February 17, 5:00 pm to 7:00 p.m. "Four star pancakes" prepared by our famous chefs: Peter Holmes, Dale Rose, Deborah Ban, Miriam Little, Brennan Rabbets and Cathy Newman Funds to support Lebanon Mission Trip

SHROVE TUESDAY WORSHIP • 7 - 8 p.m. (Feb. 17), Join us as we enter Lent in worship following the liturgies and music of Iona as we are led by Eric Robertson and a small group of Celtic musicians. An introduction will be made to our Lenten small group study series.

HYMN SING with Yorkminster Citadel Salvation Army Band Sunday, February 22 at 4:30 p.m.

GREATER TORONTO EAST PRAYER BREAKFAST Tuesday, March 3, 2015 from 7:00am to 9:00am

The Brighton Convention and Event Centre – 2155 McNicoll Ave, Scarborough Keynote Speaker: Pete Scazzero • Soloist: Ruth Ann Onley Advance Ticket before February 14: \$30 each Phone: 416-464-9671 • Fax: 416-266-1217 • Email: gtepb@ca.inter.net • gteastprayer.ca

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND • May 11 to 23, 2015 - 13 Days

This special journey will be led by Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes and Corey Keeble, Curator Emeritus of the Royal Ontario Museum, and will include time in Galilee, Nazareth, Mount Hermon, Golan, Nimrod, Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Tiberias, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Jericho, the Dead Sea, Masada, and other Biblical sites. We will have an overnight by the sea outside Tel Aviv, four nights in Tiberias, in the heart of the Galilee region and six nights in Jerusalem. Visiting these sites with a pilgrim's heart can bring the Biblical stories to life and transform one's faith. Travel arrangements will be made through Craig Travel of Toronto. Full details will be available in a couple of months. To have your name on the list of those interested in receiving more information, please speak with Mary Stevens.

MISSION NEWS

Two exciting opportunities to serve in mission!



We are pleased to announce that preparations for a Short Term Mission trip are underway for this coming July 2015. This trip (July 20 to July 30 approx) is **part of Yorkminster Park's Serving Training Energizing Partnerships (STEP) partnership with** Lebanese Society for Educational and Social

Development **(LSESD) in Beirut, Lebanon**. The team will be travelling to Beirut to assist Gladys Haddad working with children and youth ministry in one of the children's camps, as well as serving among Syrian refugee families.

The team will be led by Rev. Deborah Ban and Ken Little. We're excited about the STEP ministry which God has called us to at Yorkminster Park and would love to have you share in the journey. If you are interested in more information or thinking about applying to be part of this exciting mission experience, please speak with a member of the Board of Mission or a team leader TODAY and plan to attend an **Information Session on February 15**th following worship in the Friendship Room.



The second opportunity is a mission trip to the **Oneida Nation** of the Thames in conjunction with First Oneida Baptist **Church.** It is a week of day camp for children, ages 5 - 12 at

the Standing Stone Elementary School located near London, Ontario. The trip is from July 26 – 31 (accommodation at Fanshaw College for the week). We are looking for volunteers who love children and love to serve. If you have experience in leading or helping with children's games, Bible lessons or crafts or if you are a person who loves to serve by helping prepare meals for the camp, this may be a place for you. Teens (15 and over unless with a parent), families or seniors are welcome to apply. Rev. Dale Rose and Miriam Little are co-leading this trip.

If this 'stirs' your heart and you would like to learn more, contact one of the team leaders and plan to attend an information session on **February 15th** in the Friendship Room right after the morning service.

The Board of Mission

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, <u>info@yorkminsterpark.com</u> 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.