



Eastminster United Church

March 22, 2015

Fifth Sunday of Lent

*Indicates please stand in body or in spirit

"Love is creative. It does not flow along the easy paths, spending itself in the attractive. It cuts new channels, goes where it is needed." - Evelyn Underhill.

We Gather as God's People

Prelude Come, Ye Disconsolate African-American Spiritual
Joy Klopp and Jeff Schissler

Words of Welcome

*Opening Hymn VU#108 Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights *St. 1, 3-6*

Lighting Lenten Candles

We light a candle for each of the Sundays in Lent. At the end of the service we extinguish one candle remembering the things we give up or let go of on our Lenten journey.

Opening Prayer

Living God, in this time of sacred quiet make us wise to believe that you, who have created and are creating this earth can create in us new hearts. That you welcome not only our praise and thanksgiving, but also our anger and doubt, our passion and regret. All of these we lay out for you, open to your wisdom and in need of your compassion. Amen.

The Peace Shared

Children's Time

The children are invited to Church School.

We Share in Word and Song

Hebrew Scripture Psalm 51:1-12 VU# 838

Hebrew Scripture Jeremiah 31:31-34

One: The Word of Hope.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation Remember Their Sins No More Rev. Sarah Miller

Anthem Locus Iste Anton Bruckner

We respond with our Thanks and Prayers

Invitation to Offer our Gifts and Ourselves

Offering Hymn: MV#65 When We are Tested

Please stand in body or in spirit during the last verse for the presentation of the offering.

*Dedication Prayer

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (sung) VU# 960

Mary Miller

We Go Out to Be the People of God

Life and Work of the Congregation

Minute for Mission Come and See

Pam Cameron

*Closing Hymn MV#154 Deep in Our Hearts

*Blessing & Sending Forth

*Extinguishing of the Lenten Candle

*Sung Benediction God Be With You

Jeremiah E. Rankin
arr. William G. Tomer

God _____ be with you, _____ God _____ be with you, _____ God _____ be
with you, _____ un til we meet _____ a - gain; _____ God _____ be with you, _____
God _____ be with you, _____ God _____ be with you, _____ un til we meet a - gain.

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Postlude

Today

Scripture:

Jeremiah 31:31-34 p. 735

Announcements

~ It starts TODAY ...

That's the Book Sale to help raise funds for the Eastminster Accessibility Project. Following the service, please take a few minutes to browse the many books on the Book Table in the Narthex. Prices are flexible, so pay what you think it's worth. All proceeds go to the Eastminster Accessibility Fund. We will report regularly on how much money is raised from this new initiative which we will try out each week for the next couple of months. Thanks for supporting the Eastminster Accessibility Fund.

~ MEN'S GROUP EASTER BREAKFAST!

Yes, once again this year the Men's Group will be cooking up a sumptuous Easter breakfast! Stay tuned for more details.....

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES:

~ Sun. March 29 at 10:15am: PALM SUNDAY BICYCLE PARADE, SERVICE AT 10:30AM

~ Thurs. April 2 at 7pm: MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE OF HAND AND FOOT WASHING

This is being held at Glen Rhodes United Church, 1470 Gerrard St. E, with the Danforth Multifaith Community.

~ Fri. April 3 at 10am: DANFORTH ECUMENICAL GOOD FRIDAY WALK

The walk begins at Holy Name Catholic Church (71 Gough Ave) and continues on to 4 other churches.

~ Sun. April 5 at 10:30am: EASTER!

Rev. Sarah Miller preaching "The Easter Paradox: Loss, Hope and Resurrection"

Upcoming Events for EUC

~ Fri. March 27 at 7 pm: EUC READS! - BOOK CLUB

Book: **THE STONE ANGEL** by **Margaret Laurence** (Borrow from Library)

New members welcome! Come out for a lively discussion by the fire, followed by the 9pm Social Wine & Cheese. Location: At the home of Neil Riach & Carolyn Curren (1 block from EUC). For more info contact: John Brown at 416-463-0844 or Carolyn Curren at 416-465-6174 or email: info@neilandcarolyn.com

~ Sat. May 9 at 7pm: EASTMINSTER'S BOOGIE THROUGH THE 70'S

Save the date for Eastminster's 2nd Annual Dancin' on the Danforth! Get up and boogie through the '70s with the Eastminster choir and band leader, Scott Pietrangelo. Cash bar, outta sight finger food, totally tubular cakes and unreal silent auction. Tickets are \$50. All proceeds go towards our building accessibility campaign. Spread the word, tell your friends! More Info: Marlene Sagada or Susan Bower.

Events from our Friends Out in the Community

~ TODAY! March 22 at 7.30pm: NEWCHOIR PRESENTS: WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM OUR

FRIENDS! Join our very own **Scott Pietrangelo** and Toronto's first rock choir Newchoir on Sunday, March 22 at 7.30pm at The Metropolitan United Church, 56 Queen St. East as they work to raise funds for their trip to Carnegie Hall! (see poster on last page) "Like" Newchoir on Facebook to stay up to date on info or visit www.newchoir.ca or speak to Scott.

~ **TODAY- March 22 from noon - 1:15pm: LENTEN STUDY AT GLEN RHODES UNITED:** "UNSETTLING GOODS," the United Church study of Israeli factories erected on illegally occupied territories of Palestine, and how Canadians might respond. We will be joined by George Bartlett of Bloor Street UC, recently returned from a fact-finding tour of Israel & Palestine. Leader: Rev. Robin Wardlaw. 1470 Gerrard, one block west of Coxwell. Use Rhodes Avenue door (with ramp) to access Barbara Christie Room. Street parking & a Green P lot immediately south of Gerrard between Rhodes & Craven. 416-465-3755.

~ **Wed. March 25 from 7:30-9:00pm: THE JESUIT GUIDE TO ALMOST EVERYTHING: A Spirituality for Real Life.** 5 Toronto Anglican Churches are hosting a discussion series based on this New York Times bestseller. Discussions explore the four elements of Ignatian spirituality: Finding God in all things, becoming a contemplative in action, looking at the world in an incarnational way, and seeking freedom and detachment. The final date for this 5 week series is: **March 25** - St. David and St. Andrew, 49 Donlands Avenue

~ **Wed. March 25 from 7.15-8.45pm: THE LENTEN DINNER & DISCUSSION GROUP** You are invited to a Lenten Dinner and Discussion Group at Cosburn United Church, 1108 Greenwood Avenue, on the following evenings starting with a potluck supper a 6:30 pm followed by discussion from 7:15 to 8:45 pm: **March 25** - Introduction to the Music of Taize. For more information, please contact Rev. Linda Petrides, Minister at Cosburn United Church (416) 421-5711.

~ **Fri. March 27: PIZZA WITH PURPOSE**

Youth event age 12 and up at Beach United Church. The pizzas go to a lunch program for people who don't generally get homemade gourmet pizzas so you will be providing them with a treat. And we get to eat them that night! Contact Doug at: barcikblackburn@yahoo.ca or 416 662 0460.

~ **Fri. March 27 at 7.30pm: HIGHWAY OF TEARS**

Cinema Politica Toronto-Danforth invites you to a screening of Highway of Tears at Metropolitan Community Church of Toronto – 115 Simpson Ave. Highway of Tears chronicles the notorious, decades-long string of murders and disappearances of young Indigenous women along British Columbia's Highway 16. The film explores how this systemic violence is linked to the effects of generational poverty, residential schools, and high unemployment rates on First Nations reserves. Screening is free, donations are welcomed.

~ **Fri. March 27 at 7pm: 22nd ANNUAL VARIETY SHOW**

Presteign-Woodbine United has rescheduled their 22 Annual Variety Show to March 27 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$7/person or \$20/family of four. Audition nights are March 22 and 24 at 6:30 pm for those who wish to showcase their talents. For more details please contact: Jane Hawkins & Tracy Guercio at: presteignwoodbineunitedchu@bellnet.ca or 416 755 8352

~ **Sat. March 28 from 7-11pm: SPRING FLING WITH GLEN REID & BOOGALOO!!**

Come out and join Birchcliff Bluffs United Church (located at: 33 East Rd.- Warden & Kingston Rd.) and dance the night away with their Spring Fling dance open to all! Enjoy some great tunes, food and people. Street parking available and tickets sold at the door. For more info on the dance contact June at: bbuoffice@bellnet.ca or 416-694-4081. Info on Glenn Reid & Boogaloo at: www.glennreid.ca.

~ **Fri. April 3 at 7.30pm: JOSEF HAYDN'S – LORD NELSON MASS**

Members of the Toronto Beach Chorale warmly welcome you to enjoy *Josef Haydn's –Lord Nelson Mass* with professional orchestra and guest soloists at Kingston Rd. United Church, 975 Kingston Rd. General Admission: \$20/\$25 at door, Youth (7-18) \$10/\$12 at door Children under 7 free. Info at: www.torontobeachchorale.com

~ Sat. April 11 at 7.30pm: "WHY ME?" AN EASTER REFLECTION

You are invited to attend Birchcliff Bluffs United Church's Shower Curtin Productions Easter Drama, "Why Me? An Easter Reflection". Located at 33 East Road, (Warden Ave. & Kingston Rd.) Adults- \$10. Children- \$2. Proceeds will go to help BBUC and the very busy **Churches by the Bluffs Community Food Bank**. Info at: bbucoffice@bellnet.ca or 416-694-4081

Weekly Events

Mondays:	1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Knitters - meet in Sarah's Office
Thursdays:	6:00 - 6:45pm	Children's Choir - meet in the Parlour
	7:30 - 9.30pm	Adult Choir - meet in the Sanctuary

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Musicians

Michelle Suzanne, *soprano soloist*
Andrew Hodwitz, *bass soloist*
Jeff Schissler, *tenor soloist*
Joy Klopp, *alto soloist*

Custodians

Robert Covert
Jessica Aguiar
Alison LeGrow
Joseph Telford
Joshua Somers

TORONTO'S FIRST ROCK CHOIR
NEWCHOIR PRESENTS:

We are going to Carnegie Hall...

**...WITH A LITTLE HELP
FROM OUR FRIENDS!**

TRY YOUR
LUCK IN OUR
50/50 DRAW!



Help send us to Carnegie Hall in style! Featuring our own special ensembles and an exclusive preview of the amazing a cappella numbers we will be performing in NYC!

SUNDAY, MAR 22 7:30 PM

Pay what you can (Suggested donation \$10)
@The Metropolitan United Church
56 Queen St. East, Toronto

FOR MORE INFORMATION: WWW.NEWCHOIR.CA
NEWCHOIR ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: SCOTT PIETRANGELO

