

Eastminster United Church

May 24, 2015

Pentecost



*Indicates please stand in body or in spirit

*"Wisdom comes from metabolizing what we learn from others
and from experience to a point where it can be shared."
~ Mary Catherine Bateson*

We Gather as God's People

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Elaine Dalziel

*Opening Hymn VU#196 Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow

Lighting the Christ Candle

One: As we light the Christ candle we are reminded that Christ came into the world to be a light and inspiration to all peoples and not just to a select few.

All: We are called to follow that light by living with respect for all of creation.

Opening Prayer

Holy one, it is easy for us to define ourselves by our outer appearance; the shape of our bodies, the colour of our hair, the sound of our voice. These are all part of us, but today we celebrate the gifts of the spirit you offer us. Open our minds to seek also the gifts of wisdom, judgement, awe wonder, patience, courage, kindness and faith within ourselves and one another. Amen.

The Peace Shared

Children's Time

Birds

Connie Zehr & Rachel Boardman

The children are invited to Church School.

We Share in Word and Song

Greek Scripture

Acts 2:1-21

Catharine Saxberg

One:

The Word of Hope.

All:

Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Diverse Beginnings

Rev. Sarah Miller

Anthem

I'm Gonna Sing 'til the Spirit Moves in my Heart

Moses Hogan

*I'm gonna sing 'til the Spirit moves in my heart; I'm gonna sing 'til Jesus comes.
It was grace that brought me, it was grace that taught me, it was grace that kept me,
and it's grace that will lead me home.
I'm gonna pray 'til the Spirit moves in my heart...*

Can't you feel the Spirit movin'?
I'm gonna shout 'til the Spirit moves in my heart; I'm gonna sing 'til my Jesus comes.

We respond with our Thanks and Prayers

Invitation to Offer our Gifts and Ourselves

Offering Hymn VU#205 Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
Please stand in body or in spirit during the last verse for the presentation of the offering.

*Dedication Prayer

We Celebrate Communion

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

Maya Brathwaite

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift our hearts in prayer.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is good to give God thanks and praise.

Sung responses: MV#203, 204 & 205

Hymn during Communion MV#202 Bread for the Journey

Welcome Table

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days, hallelujah!

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table,

I'm gonna sit at the welcome table one of these days!

I'm gonna eat with my sisters and brothers...

We're gonna feast on milk and honey...

Here all the world will find a welcome...

Prayer Following Communion

Holy God, we are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life.

We are sent forth into this world to live your way and share your joy. We are now commissioned to feed as we have been fed, forgive as we have been forgiven, love as we have been loved. Amen.

We Go Out to Be the People of God

Minute for Mission

Pam Cameron

Life and Work of the Congregation

*Closing Hymn MV#23 Come, O Holy Spirit

*Blessing & Sending Forth

*Sung Blessing Go On Your Way In Joy

Kerri Meyer

Go on your way in joy, my friends, go on your way in
 joy, my friends. Go on your way in joy, my friends, let your
 left foot say "Glor - y!" and your right say, "A - men!"

Postlude

Today's Announcements

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 *p. 119*

~ CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL

The Children's Choir will have its last rehearsal of the season on May 28. We'll resume on Thursdays in September (17th, 6pm--6:45pm)

~ CHILDREN'S CHOIR CONCERT!

Please come early to worship on May 31 to enjoy a mini-concert by our Children's Choir. At 10:15am the Children's Choir will sing a repertoire they have been working on this year. Come and support the young voices of Eastminster's congregation (and hum along with your favourites!)

~ Fri. July 3 through Sun. July 5: EASTMINSTER GOES CAMPING!!

We have reserved a group camping site at Sibbald Point Prov. Park again this year. The park wants approximate numbers to be submitted within two weeks. More info. and signup sheet at the back of the church. Contact Harry Miller - 416-694-6301 maryandharrymiller@gmail.com

~ UPDATE: SPACE FOR RENT? (pls. use updated email below)

Edward Long is looking for a room to rent with access to kitchen & bathroom in the \$430 per month range beginning July 1. Pls. contact Ed: edwardlong494@ymail.com /647-449-4144 if you have space.

~ VISITS: If you or someone you know would like a visit from Rev. Sarah, please let her know either on Sundays after service or leave her a message at 416-463-2179 ext. 100 or at: sarah.bmiller@bellnet.ca

~ Rev. Sarah's office hours for next week: Tues. 9.30-11pm & Thurs. 1-2:30pm, or call to set up an appointment 416-463-2179 ext. 100.

Eastminster Events

~ UPCOMING WORSHIP:

This Sunday, we celebrate Pentecost and begin a series on Gifts of the Spirit, exploring the gifts of wisdom, judgement, faith, awe, wonder, patience, courage and kindness.

~ Tues. May 26 at 7pm: NEW TO CHURCH? CURIOUS ABOUT CHRISTIANITY?

Join us for Embracing an Adult Faith: A Study by Marcus Borg on what it means to be Christian. Please speak to Rev. Sarah if you plan on attending. **May 26:** Community, Giving, Reaching Out

~ **Wed. May 27 (and every second Wed. after) from 7:30 to 9:30pm: EUC FOLKS!**

For Folk music players, singers and lovers: If you, or someone you know, plays guitar, harmonica or other instruments or just wants to sing.. join in this informal session. Contact: Alan- lamunn@pathcom.com
H- 416 463 3834/C- 416-352-8617 or Neil- info@neilandcarolyn.com C- 416-464-8400.

~ **Wed. May 27 at 7pm: COUNCIL MEETING**

~ **Sun. May 31: BAPTISM & WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS**

~ **Sun. May 31 at 12.30pm: COMMUNITY & DISCIPLESHIP MEETING**

~ **Sun. June 7: GUEST SPEAKER: EMILY CLARK**

~ **Wed. June 10 at 7pm: Speaker Series: ROMANI ITE DOMUM**

Using Coins and Artifacts, Eastminster's Enrico De Dominicis will set the background to the events leading to the great Jewish revolt of 66AD culminating with the permanent destruction of the Jerusalem Temple, the Jewish Diaspora, and the year of the 4 Roman Emperors.

~ **Sun. June 14: WORSHIP AND PICNIC IN WITHROW PARK**

Join us at 10:30am for our Sunday Worship Service, followed by a potluck picnic lunch and games. Bring something to share and join in the fun!

~ **Fri. June 19 at 7 pm: EUC READS! - BOOK CLUB**

Book: **TBA**. You are welcome to join in - 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). Contact: John Brown at: 416-463-0844 or Carolyn Curren at: 416-465-6174 or: info@neilandcarolyn.com

Wider Church Events

~ **TODAY! from 6 - 9pm: GIGANTIC GARBAGE PICK UP- the Sequel!!**

Two weeks ago Beach United young people & a group of youth from other local churches brought over 10 bags of litter from beaches of Scarborough Bluffs. The next pick-up is between the football field at Coxwell Ave. & Ashbridges Bay. **Open to youth grades 7-12 that are able & willing to help with clean up.** Meet 6 PM Beach United Church -Wineva/Queen \$5 for food/drinks ADULT PARTICIPATION WOULD BE APPRECIATED / TRANSPORT & RAKES PLEASE! patricias@sympatico.ca/hastings@withers.ca

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Soloists: Michelle Suzanne - *soprano*, Andrew Hodwitz - *bass*, Jeff Schissler - *tenor*, Joy Klopp - *alto*

Custodians: Alison LeGrow, Jessica Aguiar, Joseph Telford, Robert Covert, Joshua Somer

* **PLEASE NOTE:**

We are shortening the "emailed" Eblast, and the Sunday Bulletin. Community Events, Local Activities and other miscellaneous info can be found on the longer version of the Eblast that will be posted weekly under the **NEWS** section of the website at: www.eastminsteruc.org. The Sunday Bulletin can also be found on the **HOME** page of the website on the right hand side under the heading **SUNDAY SERVICE BULLETINS** (click on the date).