

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

- Monday**
 12:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
 1:30 pm Yoga & Meditation
 6:00 pm Sparks
 6:30 pm Brownies
 7:30 pm Yoga & Meditation
- Tuesday**
 9:00 am Quilters
- Tuesday & Friday**
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
- Wednesday**
 7:00 pm Overeaters Anonymous
- Thursday**
 7:45 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Friday**
 10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous
 8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Tuesday, December 1

7:00 pm Governing Council

Wednesday, December 2

8:30 am New Perspectives

10:15 am Pastoral Care Team

5:30 pm Trustees

7:30 pm Christmas Flower Arranging Workshop 1

7:30 pm Joint Search Committee

7:30 pm Book Study-Experiencing an Ecological Christianity

Thursday, December 3

6:00 pm Ministry & Personnel

Friday, December 4

6:30 pm Youth Night

Saturday, December 5

9:30 am Sing-Along Messiah - Open Rehearsal (ticket holders)

9:30 am Christmas Flower Arranging Workshop 2

Sunday,
Dec. 6, 2009

- 10:30 am Advent II
 Advent Gift
 Don Parsons, preaching
- 12:00 pm Daily Apple Café
- 12:00 pm Nativity Pageant Set-up

LOOKING
AHEAD

Tuesday, December 8

7:30 pm Nominating Committee

Wednesday, December 9

6:00 pm Week of Guided Prayer -
Planning Meeting

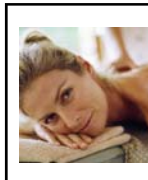
Thursday, December 10

11:00 am Unit 12

Saturday, December 12

9:30 am Pageant Rehearsal

1:00 pm Sing-Along Messiah - Last Open
Rehearsal (ticket holders)



Therapeutic Touch & Reiki by
appointment. Contact Ann
Schmid at 416-499-0599



Reminder: Coffee Hour will be hosted by
the New Perspectives on Dec. 6

Generosity does not ask

"What have you done for me lately?"

Generosity is giving without counting the cost.



OUR REGULAR HOURS:
Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00

EGLINTON ST. GEORGE'S UNITED CHURCH

Announcements

November 29, 2009

Please join us for coffee after the service hosted by the Revenue Unit in the gym.

Church School

- Upper West Wing:** Babies and Toddlers – (Infants – age 3) – Infant Room & the Treehouse with caregivers Lita, Josie and volunteers
- Bible Story Theatre:** Rotation 4 - Preparing for Christmas
- Lower Level:** Youth Church (Grades 6 and up) - Youth Room with Sheilagh McGlynn
- Parents:** In the event of a fire alarm, please meet your children on the front lawn. Each child must be signed-out with the Church School leader.

ESG News & Events



Flower Committee's Popular Christmas Decorating Workshops

Wed., Dec. 2, 7:30 pm -or-
Sat., Dec. 5, 9:30 am. Decorate your Christmas table with an arrangement you've made at one of the Flower Committee workshops. Materials will be provided for a small fee. Registration required. Sign up at the Welcome Desk. Contact: Gail Brown 416-488-0831.



Not Just Couples Club Christmas Party - 7:30 pm

Sat. Dec. 5 is fast approaching and that's the date of our annual Christmas Party and carol singing. Hope you will be joining in on the fun at the Peer's home at 7:30 pm, 60 Hillholm Rd. We'll have lots of holiday cheer and Christmas goodies to eat. See you there! Cost \$20. RSVP to Gail Horrick at gail.horrick@sympatico.ca or 416-483-8376.



Daily Apple Green Café Holiday Festive Meal Sun., Dec. 6

Enjoy a 3-course Holiday Festive meal using fresh ingredients. Sign up at the Welcome Desk by Wed. Dec. 2. Cost \$15/pp. To sign up via email contact: Penny Wilkins 416-482-9389 or penny.wilkins@rogers.com



A Sing-Along MESSIAH Conducted by Peter Merrick Sun., Dec. 13, 3:00 pm

Add your voice to the splendour of Handel's masterpiece in an intimate church setting. Non-singers are welcome. Please bring a score if you have one. Always wanted to sing solos in Messiah? Singers who wish to will be invited to join our fabulous soloists for parts of the arias. Join our Open Rehearsals continuing this week! Saturdays Dec.5 at 9:30 am., Dec. 12 at 1:00 pm. Tickets on sale today. Adults: \$20, Students: \$15.

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ESG News & Events



ESG's Longest Night Service Sunday, Dec. 20 at 7:30 pm

This is a quiet intimate service for those experiencing grief or for those wanting to experience the more quiet and peaceful side of Christmas.

Eva's Phoenix—Knitters: Thank you!

for the overwhelming response to helping make scarves for Eva's Phoenix youth's. Please deliver your scarves to the church by **Dec. 4th.**

Any additional scarves will be delivered to local shelters also in need. Keeping each of you in my prayers. Gloria van Geilswyk at 416-494-5224.



Senior's Housing Directory Available

We have been given a few copies of the 2009 North Toronto Senior's Housing Directory. If you are interested, please pick up a copy at the Welcome Desk after church today.



The **Children's Library** at Eglinton St. George's would like to have a Mac laptop at ESG in order to keep

the database and other relevant information concerning the library and the borrowers. This would enable the librarians to access and update the information while working at the church, and make the job much easier. If anyone could donate such a product (new or used) we would be ecstatic. Please contact Hazel Boyle 416-250-5475 or Barb Long 416-449-6250.

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GREEN TIPS

The Advent Green Credo – Simplify the Season with a Small Carbon Footprint; Buy Local; Buy Seasonal; Go Organic; Go Veggie and “Watch your Waste/Waist” and see what Santa has to say about a Greener Toronto: <http://www.greenlivingonline.com/blog/candice/santa-greener-toronto>



FOOD, FABRIC and FUN Advent Gift

Sunday provides an opportunity for our church to bring Christmas to those in need with gifts of food, fun and fabric. Our ESG Outreach will be supporting the following organizations:

- * Massey Centre for babies, young children and moms
- * Christian Resource Centre's families in Regent Park
- * Bloor Street United's Refugee Outreach for new families to Canada
- * Fred Victor Centre's women's drop-in
- * The Stop with food donations.

A flyer with ideas for your gifts will be given out at the end of the service today. You can also give a gift of money by giving a cheque payable to Eglinton St. George's United Church, marked “Advent Gift.” All your gifts are greatly appreciated.

OUTREACH CORNER

YOUTH NEWS



Come and join us **Fri. Dec. 4** at 7 pm in the Youth Room for the last Youth night of 2009! It will be a Youth night to remember! Bring \$5 for pizza. As always, friends are welcome. Come enjoy the popcorn, treats, and a great film! For more information contact Sheilagh at smmcglynn@hotmail.com.



Taizé Event Re-scheduled to Sat., Jan. 9th!

Please join Don Parsons, Peter Merrick, soloists and musicians in the morning (only) **Jan. 9, 9:30 am - 12:30 pm**, to learn via DVD about the origins and early years of the Taizé community in France, and then participate in a service of "Prayer with the Songs of Taizé." Last year over 40 of us found this to be a moving experience. Come and learn about this tradition in preparation for **Sun., Feb. 28th** when our morning service will be in this style of worship. Cost: \$10.00. Sign-up at the Welcome Desk. Contact: Donna MacCandlish at 416 781-7085 or Jennie Keating at 416-762-4021.

Community Events



25th Annual Artist Proof Sale Thurs. Dec. 3 – 6:00 - 9:00 pm

Opening Night Fundraiser and Open House: (Freewill donation, \$10 suggested) Open Studio: 401 Richmond St. West, Ste. 104

Christmas Splendour

Pax Christi Oratorio - Toronto's Mennonite Choir, directed by Stephanie Martin presents: Bach Christmas Oratorio IV and V, Carols & Motets. Grace Church on-the-Hill 300 Lonsdale Road, **Sat., Dec. 5, 2009 - 7:30 pm** and **Sun., Dec. 6 - 3:00 pm**. Tickets: \$30 / \$25 seniors / \$22 students / \$5 children under 12. Guest Artists: Agnes Zsigovics, soprano; Daniel Cabena, counter-tenor; Lenard Whiting, tenor; Matthew Zadow, baritone.



The Bach Consort: Cantatas for Christmas. In support of the Anglican Primate's World Relief & Development Fund. **Sun. Dec. 13, 8 pm.** Church of the Redeemer (Bloor & Avenue Rd). The Bach Consort, an ensemble of Toronto Symphony musicians who donate their time, presents four Christmas cantatas in the intimate setting of Church of the Redeemer. Soloists are Monica Whicher, Norine Burgess, James McLennan, Peter McGillivray. Conductor: Mark Vuorinen. Choir: Toronto Choral Artists. This event promises to deliver Bach at Christmas as it was intended: beautiful, celebratory, inspiring. Tickets: \$50 and \$40 (all proceeds to PWRDF). Call 416 769 3673.

2010 Calendars

United Church calendars are available to purchase for \$6. This year's theme looks back on United Church history in sepia-toned photos. Pick your copy up at the church office or call 416-481-1141.

LAY MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



With the success of the Gala behind us, we are now focusing on the upcoming Sing-Along Messiah on Sun., Dec. 13 at 3:00 pm. We need a few people who can take tickets, serve refreshments and hand out programs. Any of our young people looking for community hours will be welcome. Please contact Barbara Buchanan at 416-481-1141 ext 260 or email barbara@esgunitied.org.