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June 5, 2011

Upcoming Worship

June 5 *Worship through Communion*

10:30 We will celebrate the Easter season by gathering at table - - - there might be many different tables!

June 12 *Worship through Singing*

10:30 Pentecost Hymnfest & Potluck Lunch
We will sing out hearts out with our favourite hymns and enjoy a potluck lunch together.

PotLuck Lunch

Food, Glorious Food! With all that hymn singing, you're bound to have worked up an appetite! So join us for immediately after the Hymn Sing service in the Auditorium. Everyone is welcome! This is truly potluck, so there's no need to tell us what you plan to bring. Just bring your favourite salad, main dish or dessert to the kitchen before the service and our trusty team of organizers will set up. (Just one note: please label the dish with ingredients, so that allergy sufferers know what they can eat. Thank you!) The ovens will be on on Sunday morning to cook or warm anything. Questions? Call or email Karen Watson: karen.watson@rogers.com or 416-690-0144.

June 19 *Worship through Baptism*

10:30 Celebration of Baptism and renewal of baptismal promises
We will celebrate the baptism of Cooper Francis Nishikawa Taylor.



Council & HOMe

Council Contacts: Jane Dickson, Ron Fitton, Lee Muirhead

HOMe Contact: Karen Watson

A note from Douglas

This week I announced that I would resign my position here at Beach United Church as Director of Music.

I have decided I need to seek other opportunities at this time.

Later this summer I will assume my role as the Director of Music at Royal York Road United Church here in Toronto. My last Sunday will be June 26th.

The work of Christ's church will continue even as things change around us.

My prayers are with you as you journey forward in your ministry.

Sincerely, Douglas

A note from Fenella

With a heavy heart I am saying goodbye to Beach United Church next month. My family and I have been given an opportunity to take over my Grandmother's home on the Isle of Man in the United Kingdom, and will be leaving at the end of July. I have loved my work, but especially the people I have met at Beach, and I will miss all of this very much. I hope to see many of you over the next eight weeks to say goodbye in person.

With these changes in staffing, M&P and Council will be doing a full review of all our staffing needs in the year to come.

Wider Ministries Conversation: Part 3

A second round of conversation about wider ministries took place on Monday, May 9th. With facilitation from Jim Winn, we sorted and prioritized a collection of over 60 possible projects. In addition, we developed guidelines to refine our choices. ***A third conversation will take place on Monday, June 13 at 7pm.*** Everyone is welcome to join the conversation and chart future ministry directions for Beach.

Music at BUC

*~faith expressions through music~
Staff Contact: Douglas Brownlee*

"Dialogue" is the final Jazz Vespers of the season on **Saturday, June 4 at 4:30pm** featuring David Occhipinti and Mike Murley.

Drumming with Soul: Community Drum Circle

There was Sushi for Brian's birthday and even a very delicious beet salad as we celebrated around the kitchen table on Wednesday, June 1st. (We even got him to stand on a stool while we sang to him.) A couple of hours later, fourteen people climbed out to the church courtyard into the beautiful warm June air and Brian facilitated a superb drum circle that included the rhythm, 'I like chocolate ice cream cones'--but no ice cream ever appeared. Thanks Brian and to those of you who joined us.

Col Canto Choir last rehearsal is Wednesday, June 8th. Col Canto will sing at the baptismal service on June 19th.

BUC Choir final rehearsal for the term was on Thursday, May 19th. Choir will meet at 9:30am Sunday, June 5, 12, & 19 before their break for summer.

Service

Council Contacts: Rosalie Bradley & Corey Helm

Inter-faith Lunch Program has finished the 5 day a week program but will begin again in October. At Beach we were very pleased to have partnered with St. Nicholas Anglican Church in providing lunch on one of our days. In the fall, St. John's Anglican Church will be joining the faith communities who work together to provide a meal within the community--Corpus Christi, Hebrew Institute, Beach United Church, Kingston Road United Church & St. Aidan's.

Learning & Growth

Council Contact: Wendy Johnston

Learning and Growing with young people—what does that look like?

During May and into June, I am having the audacity to invite myself to visit with our families with children!! My hope is that together we will look for "bright spots" for families at Beach UC and that these might help us identify ways in which we can all help our young people to learn and grow in their faith. Karen Dale

Congregational Development

Council Contact: Mary Anne Lemm

Women's Spring Circle

On Saturday May 28, about 30 women gathered for stories, singing, and to hear Barbara Siddiqui speak to our theme ' Sisters in Faith - The Muslim Perspective'. A retired school principal, Barbara converted to Islam when she married, and had many stories from travels in Muslim countries. She spoke of the Five Pillars of Islam, their prayer life, the month long fast of Ramadan, and cultural differences that colour the practice of Islam in different countries. There was much lively discussion and lots of questions were answered.

Accompanying Barbara was her friend Karen Teasdale, a United Church representative on the National Muslim Christian Liaison Committee of which Barbara was co-chair. Barbara participated with the United Church in preparing 'That We May Know Each Other: United Church Muslim Relations Today.' Copies of this publication and other materials were welcomed and available for pick-up; some material is still available (call 416-694-5969). We may hope that conversations and perhaps a project may be shared with Muslim women in our own community.



Apologies for the tardy arrival of last week's eSpirit/Heartbeat in your inboxes, the electronic delivery was late due to problems with our server iMinistry.

LAST NOTICE FOR A CHANCE TO VOTE FOR YOUR FAVOURITE HYMN...

This Sunday after church is the final opportunity to submit ballots to choose hymns for our service on June 12th. We're looking forward to a wonderful service of song, followed by delicious food.

 *We're making waves in the Beach* 

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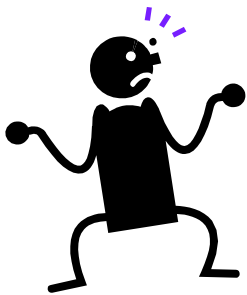
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HYMNFEST SUNDAY

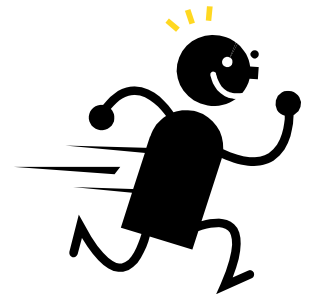
Singing Our Songs, Funding Our Future

10:30 am - Sunday, June 12th



**What's your favourite hymn?
Vote and help raise funds too!**

**Submit your ballots by noon
Sunday, June 5th**



**Join us on June 12
to sing your heart out to BUC's
TOP 10 hymns!**

**Celebrate as a
community with a
potluck lunch after**

HYMNFEST!

