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Dec 11, 2011

## ***This Sunday at Beach***

**December 11, 10:30** **Advent 3** Let's explore light and shadow side of joy  
**Children at Beach:** Storytime "Capturing Joy" Jo Ellen Bogart

♥ *If you have some tree decorations around the house, perhaps you can spare a few for our Christmas tree which is looking beautiful but a little bare.*

## ***Upcoming Worship***

**December 18, 10.30** **Advent 4:** stories of love

- Offer white gift toiletries for our Interfaith Lunch Program
- Honour loved ones with a Christmas Poinsettia which will be delivered to those who are homebound

**December 18, 4 pm** **Candlelight & Carols (St Aidan's Sanctuary)**

**December 21, 7pm** **Longest Night: A Service of Healing & Hope (St A's Sanctuary)**

**December 24, 4:30 pm** **St Aidan's Family Service with Pageant (St Aidan's Sanctuary)**

**December 24, 7pm** **Beach UC Family Service (St Aidan's Sanctuary)**

**December 24, 11pm** **Ecumenical Candlelight Communion Service**  
*Shared with St Aidan's*

**December 25, 10:30am** **Ecumenical Christmas Day Service**  
*Shared with St Aidan's*

## ***Upcoming Events***

**PAR: Pre-Authorized Remittance** Simplify Sunday morning giving by considering PAR, a monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Or, if you currently do not have a set of weekly offering envelopes now's the time to order a set for 2012. Please call the Church Office at 416-691-8082 (Ext. 0) or Amy Truscott at 416-699-7532.

**Please Note: Our Church Office will be closed during Christmas Week: December 26-30 and will re-open on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.**

**Abigail Johnson will be available for pastoral care during the week of December 25-31 and Karen Dale will be available the week of January 1-7**

## ***Music News***

*Chrys Bentley: Music Guy*

**Christmas Eve Choir** On Christmas Eve, 11pm, Beach United and St Aidan's Anglican will worship together in the sanctuary. A joint choir will offer music and lead congregational singing. Joy Horswill, St Aidan's choir director, warmly invites singers to joint choir rehearsals on December 8 & 15 from 8:30 until 9pm. Joy also adds, "We, of course, would be delighted if they wanted to come for the whole practice." Let us raise the roof with joyous voices.

## ***Service***

*Council Contact: Lorraine Methven*

**Beach UCW supply nut free cookies and squares** (cut in small pieces) for Christmas parties with **Elizabeth Fry Society** clients, in and out of prison. Will you bake for us? Bring your goodies, packaged to go, on Sunday December 11, for pick-up on Monday December 12. Telephone Jean Collins: 416-694-5969

***Inter-faith Christmas Lunch*** will be served on Thursday December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 11.00 – 1.00 pm. Our guests receive a special gift so please bring donations of toiletries on Sunday Dec 18<sup>th</sup> at either the 10:30am service or the "Candlelight and Carols" concert at 4pm.

**Out of the Cold** The Beach "Out of the Cold" program at St. Aidan's Church need volunteers to donate 3 hours of service once per month on a Monday afternoon/evening or Tuesday morning for the season. To make a difference, contact us at: [outofthecold.beach@gmail.com](mailto:outofthecold.beach@gmail.com)

## ***Learning & Growth***

*Council Contact: Wendy Johnston*

**Bible Study** An historical investigation of New Testament starts on Tuesday, Jan 10, 7-9pm at **9 Boardwalk Dr.** Go to the multi-purpose room. Underground parking is available but check with the concierge.

Toronto Conference is organizing an event **June 8-9, 2012** to be hosted at Emmanuel College for those **who might be considering ministry as a vocation**, ages from 15 to 30. Young adults will hear about the wide variety of ministry options within the church, and talk with others about what a ministry future might hold in store. Come to this free event!

## ***Community Care***

*Council Contact: Jane Dickson*

**Poinsettias:** Anyone wishing to donate \$10 for a poinsettia in memory of a loved one or to honour someone is asked to see Danna Fitton or Pat Plue after the service on Sunday. Flowers will be displayed during our church service on December 18 and then delivered to friends who are unable to attend services. Offers to assist with delivery of flowers will be appreciated.

**East End Refugee Committee** sends along thanks to all who supported the Bach Children's Choir fund raising concert which raised \$3,500.00 and also to Jane Munro's donation of \$500.00 from her jewelry sale at St. John's Norway. Jane's jewelry will be on sale this Sunday the 11th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at Kingston Road United Church (Kingston Rd. and Scarboro Road) in case you missed the first one, great ideas for gifts. Your generosity assists the committee in continuing our mandate, to provide financial support, friendship and settlement assistance to refugee families in need.

## ***St Aidan's Highlights***

- Wednesdays on Dec 14 & 21*** Advent study 7:30pm
- Sunday, December 18, 7pm*** Annual reading of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol"
- Christmas Day, Sunday, Dec. 25*** Annual Christmas Day Dinner takes place in Memorial Hall. Volunteers needed to help serve & clean-up

## ***Community News***

**When Toronto Was For Kids : Read by Don Gray** Dec 10, 2011 7pm Birchcliff Bluffs UC.

Suggested donation \$15 adults kids \$5

**Caroling in the Park** Let's sing together on Dec 13, 7:30 to 8:30pm in Glen Stewart Park on Glen Manor Rd.

**Amnesty International** On Dec 13 6:30-9pm please join us in writing letters in support of human rights at St. John of Norway Anglican Church, 470 Woodbine Ave.

## ***Congregational News***

**THANK YOU SO MUCH – to all those** who have, sorted, packed, stuffed, carried, lifted, dumped, moved, delivered, garbaged, etc. We still need help. Can you help with this? Call Ron Fitton 416- 699-2489, Jane Dickson 416-969-9642, or Bob Torrance 416-691-2845.

**BUC AOTS** It is December and already some members who are leaving for Florida have handed me their 2012 club dues of \$20. Please save me calling you at New Years. I will be glad to accept your \$20 any Sunday. Harry Wolfrain

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