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February 12, 2012

This Week at Beach

Saturday Feb 11, 10-12

Knitting for Shivering Children

Beginners, Experienced: All are welcome

Sunday Feb 12

Morning Worship: 10:30am

Epiphany 7: Contemplative symbol—pen

Read: Mark 1:40-45

Children at Beach: engage with scripture

Baptism: Let us welcome Sara Cairns & her parents Sue and Mike, & sister Emily

Sara is a happy one year old who always has a smile on her face. She has a quiet temperament and enjoys playing with her older sister Emily. She is beginning to enjoy her bedtime stories and loves cuddling with her dolly. Sara has a huge appetite and is willing to try anything served to her.

Next Week at Beach

Saturday Feb 18, 10-12

Creative Aging

Is aging just about finding new aches and forgetting more? Is there such a thing as a spirituality of aging? Come out for conversation about the process of aging, our attitudes towards getting older, and ways that we can be more reflective about who we are and what we do regardless of our age.

Coffee & goodies provided! Questions? Contact Abigail abigail@beachuc.com

Sunday Feb 19

Morning Worship: 10:30am

Epiphany 8: Contemplative symbol—thin places

Read: Mark 9:2-9

Children at Beach: *Act Out!* preparation

Cheery Greetings

We have a great team of Greeters who welcome new & established people as they come to worship each week. Whether you are an official Greeter, or you want to be part of making Beach a warm and welcoming place, please wear your name tag. Putting names to faces is an art—help us hone our skill!

Council and HOME

Lee Muirhead, Jane Dickson, Jim Winn and Karen Watson

Annual Congregational Meeting: Sunday February 26, following worship

Our annual meeting is a celebration of a great year, a vision-casting for our upcoming year, and a financial projection to support that vision. Join us.

Fabulous News!!

After reviewing bids from five general contractors, the HOME Commission selected Kembic Construction to carry out the renovations on our 140 Wineva building. Kembic has worked on a number of church projects of this size both new and renovation. Work on the project is scheduled to begin the week of February 13th. For more information about Kembic Construction, go to www.kembic.com. For information about our HOME project, contact Karen Watson karen.watson@rogers.com or 416-690-0144.

Service

Council Contact: Lorraine Methven

Reaching Out to Our BUC Friends

Some of our friends at Beach United are unable to come out and worship with us. Our Pastoral Care team is trying to organize regular visits and would appreciate hearing from any of you who would enjoy visiting our BUC friends. Also, if you are regularly visiting or know of someone who would like a visit, please let us know. Please see Jane Dickson or Pat Plue or e-mail pat.plue@gmail.com or phone 416-364-4333.

Linking Beach: Senior's Lunch

Thanks to Neighbourhood Link for preparing a delicious lunch last Wednesday for seniors at BUC, St Aidan's, and the wider community. We enjoyed food, company, and new connections.

Knitting for Shivering Children

Our first meeting was stupendous—not a term usually used for knitting circles. Twenty enthusiastic knitters came out, bringing an incredible (again, a superlative) array of pneumonia vests knit by our growing network in Toronto, Grimsby, England, Switzerland and Quebec. So far, we have about 200 toward our goal of 600. Last year we aimed for 500 and delivered 527 to Canadian Food for Children, a Toronto-based charity that ships a container a day of food, medicine and clothing to children in impoverished countries. Our vests protect children from respiratory diseases in hot countries that get cold at night. We meet again on **February 11, 10 am to noon in Memorial Hall**. New members are welcome: we have yarn, patterns & needles (or bring your own 4mm size). Please note: Next month we meet on March 17! Contact Pat Davies 416.465.3081 (patriciadavies@rogers.com) with any questions. Let's surpass 600, or as one of our group says, "Don't rest, knit vests."

Learning & Growth

Council Contact: Wendy Johnston

Act Out! Our next preparation session will be on **February 19th** and our sharing will take place on Feb 26th. Come and explore the story of the rainbow through drama, led by Don Gray.

Bible Study: Explore the New Testament on Tuesdays, 7-9pm **at 9 Boardwalk Dr**. Go to the multi-purpose room. Underground parking is available but check with the concierge. For more information call Dick Allen 416 698-8614

AOTS Men's Group meeting Feb 23 7pm in Memorial Hall St Aidan's church.

Letter to the HEBREWS—a RIDDLE, is the topic for ten **Ecumenical Bible Study** sessions on Mondays, from March 5 – May 14, 2012, from 9:30-11:30am, at St John the Baptist Norway Anglican Church, 470 Woodbine Avenue, Toronto. Sessions led by The Honourable Mr Justice Wright, LL.M., M.Th., will feature discussion and questions. Ample parking available, & a fee of \$30 covers all sessions. Information & registration: Jean 416-694-5969. Late registrants are welcome.

Community News

Hungering for a New Politics: The Life's Work of Gerald Vandezande

Co-founder of Citizens for Public Justice, member of the Order of Canada, and tireless Christian activist, will be remembered at a special event in honour of his life's work on Fri, Feb 17, at 7 pm at the First Christian Reformed Church of Toronto, 67 Taunton Road. Come to view video, hear speakers, and celebrate Gerald's many contributions to public justice and community.

On Sat, Feb 18, from 9 am until 12 pm at Wycliffe College, 5 Hoskin Avenue, come to hear speakers and participate in workshops on the issues Gerald cared about, including housing, family and child poverty, government interaction, becoming neighbours (advocacy for refugees, aboriginal concerns, inter-religious dialogue), and the environment.

Please join us!



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