

# Heartbeat Newsletter ~ December 10, 2017

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**Advent "Home-coming"**



**Dec 3**  
*Homecoming after endings*

**Dec 10**  
*Lighting the way home*

**Dec 17**  
*Christmas Cantata*

*The Sundays of December that lead up to Christmas are a special time where we come home to a story that is familiar to many.*

**10:30 am Sundays**  
**140 Wineva Ave.**

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**CADENCE VOCAL BAND**

**HOLIDAY CONCERT**  
**SATURDAY, DEC. 9TH, 7:30 PM**  
(DOORS/BAR 6:30 PM)

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT DOOR, CHURCH OFFICE OR ONLINE AT EVENTBRITE  
\$20/ADULTS \$10/CHILDREN UNDER 10

**BEACH UNITED CHURCH**  
**140 WINEVA AVE.**

www.cadence-unplugged.com

## Upcoming events

### Saturday December 9

*Knitting Circle 10 am*

*Holiday Concert with Cadence 7.30 pm*

Tickets \$20 (\$10 for children 10 and under) available at the church office and online at Eventbrite. Doors/Bar open at 6:30 pm. Reception to follow

### Sunday Dec 10, 10.30 am Theme: *Lighting the way home*

Gather at 10.20 am to sing carols. Request your favourites!

**children@buc** with Ana **Nursery Care** available

### Tuesday December 12, 7.30-8.30 pm *Carolling in the Park*

Glen Stewart Park, Glen Manor Dr, south of wooden bridge. Come and sing with the Salvation Army Band and choirs.

### Friday December 22, 1.30 - 7.30 pm Blood Donor Clinic at

Beach United Church

### Saturday December 30, 2 pm *Celebration of Life for Victoria Connor*

will be held in the main hall at Beach United Church, followed by a reception.

**OFFICE CLOSED** from Dec 25 - Jan 1, 2018. The church will be open for specific events and services during this time; supported by staff.

## Special Services

### **Christmas Cantata Sunday Dec 17, 10.30 am** *Adoration* by

Pepper Choplin and sung by the BUC choir.

Please bring your **"white gifts"** for the guests of the Inter-faith Lunch Program. Write a message of peace & love in a card; and add \$5 as a tangible sign of trust and hope.

**Longest Night Service Thursday Dec 21, 7 pm.** A time of quiet contemplation, thought provoking words & music that touch the soul. A time to come just as you are and light a flickering flame amongst the shadows.

### **Christmas Eve Services Sunday Dec 24**

7 pm Interactive Family Service & 10.30 pm Candlelight Communion.

There will not be a morning service on Dec 24.

**Worship Amplified! Sunday Jan 7 at 10.30 am.** "Counting Stars" featuring songs of Train, OneRepublic & James Blunt, played by a live band.



Contact BUC: 140 Wineva Ave,  
416-691-808



## Poinsettia in memory & celebration

Poinsettia will decorate the sanctuary on Dec 17 and then be delivered to friends who are unable to attend service .

To make a donation towards poinsettia please see Marion Hilton or Pat Plue before or after service on Dec 10. An insert in the Dec 17 bulletin will recognize our loved ones. . Offers of assistance with delivery would be appreciated Contact Pat [pat.plue@gmail.com](mailto:pat.plue@gmail.com) or Marian - [marian.hilton@sympatico.ca](mailto:marian.hilton@sympatico.ca)

## Thank you

One last "Thank you" to the congregation for all of your effort, support and enthusiasm for Marketplace 2017. We hope that you enjoyed the event as much as we did. We felt that once again you all stepped up and there was a good blend of ages, stages, newer and long time members along with a sprinkling of outside family and friends. This year was special with the addition of our younger members taking a more active role. Good job, all!

In spite of the drizzly day, and perhaps a bit smaller crowd, we will contribute over \$9,000. to the church. You all did a great job and Beach United is the better for your efforts.

Pat Buchanan and Danna Fitton

## Advent reflection

We think we know the story of Jesus' birth but what does it actually say in the bible? Here is a clue on where to look - find the 4 Gospels of the Christian Scriptures [New Testament].

- Which tell of the birth of Jesus and which do not?
- Is there one cohesive story or a number of different stories?
- How do you find meaning in this birth narrative - as a literal account or as metaphor?
- Which parts of the story speak to your life?

## Community event

Monday December 11, 7 pm **A Child in our Midst** concert at Eastminster United Church, 310 Danforth Ave. Tickets \$25, students/unemployed \$10, family of 4 \$40. Call 905-771-5124 to order.

This concert is organised by the Toronto United Church Council to support the Nancy Peters Fund and The Massey Centre for Women; empowering young mothers to meet the challenges of independent living and good parenting.

Featured performers - Tamarack, Piper Hayes, Nua, Eddy Robinson, Aviva Rajskey, Martha Chaves, Rukhsana Khan and Tom Allen

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