

Heartbeat Newsletter ~ January 28, 2018

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ORGAN STOP

Patrick Dewell

2:30 pm
Sunday
Feb. 11

Hear the unique sound of Beach United's Guilbault Thérien Organ, played by Toronto organist Patrick Dewell.

140 Wineva Ave.

8 ORCHESTRAL OBOE
9 CLARINET
10 CONTRE ALTO
4 OCTAVE



Upcoming events

Sunday Jan 28 at 10.30 am. Open Casting Call - Simon Peter
Explore the character traits of biblical characters to see if their attributes might be helpful to us living in 2018.

children@buc activity table in worship space.
Nursery Care available with Hannah

Thursday Jan 25, 7 pm Choir meet in main hall. This is a friendly, open group that would enjoy having more voices join them.
Contact: Steven Webb, Music Director music@beachuc.com

Saturday Feb 3, 4.30-5.15 pm Jazz & Reflection with Paul Novotny on stand-up bass and Robi Botos on piano. The theme will be - *The music and stories of Oscar Peterson and Ray Brown.*

Sunday February 11, 2.30 pm Organ Stop with guest organist Patrick Dewell. Hear the unique sound of the Guilbault Thérien organ played by Toronto organists with music styles ranging from Baroque to Contemporary.

Sunday February 18, 1pm Family Skate at the Kew Gardens Rink. There will be games, a bonfire, hot chocolate and a chance for all of us to get to know our neighbours. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Hastings Withers hastings@withers.ca

Tuesday February 27, 7 pm. Jam Nite Open to all instrumentalists and singers. Bring a song to share.

Lent 2018 Resistance

Theologian James Cone reminds us that resistance is to carry the cross, and to be acutely aware that what we are carrying is also what we will die upon.

- Feb 18 Rainbow resistance LGBTQ+
- Feb 25 Questioning as resistance
- March 4 Environmental resistance
- March 11 Testimony as resistance
- March 18 Heart-felt resistance

Wednesday Feb 14, 7 pm - of hearts & ashes
An intimate service of release to mark the beginning of the season of Lent.



Beach Cares

The Beach Cares sponsorship group, made up of people from Beach United, St. Aidan's Anglican Church and the local community, has successfully completed its sponsorship of our first Syrian family, Safwan and Aisha and their 3 daughters. We find ourselves with money and energy left over and have agreed to take on another Syrian family. In a meeting last week with the Anglican United Refugee Alliance we heard that a family can be here in 1 to 4 months. The family consists of 3 people, mother and father and a 2 year old child.

Our immediate need, however, will be to find a place for them to stay when they arrive in Canada. If you know of anyone that has a small apartment – a basement in your home, perhaps – that could be a temporary home for a couple with a young child, please speak to Paul Dowling dowlingconsulting@rogers.com

Out of the Cold

BUC is hosting a special pilot project of the Out of the Cold; we are providing hot meals and mats on the floor for up to 15 people who are regular users of the Out of the Cold. This will continue every Monday night till at least April.

This project is a bit different: we are providing an opportunity for the guests to gain some life skills that will help them to live independently in their own place. Dixon Hall, the agency that provides support to faith communities participating in the Out of the Cold, will select people that are ready to move into housing and work with them to find housing. We will work with the guests and Dixon Hall to identify ways to help people to learn new skills or rebuild skills that they have lost. Already the guests have been sharing in the set up, the cooking and the clean up.

The program is an extension of the St. Aidan's Out of the Cold program and is coordinated by Matthew Kellway, our former member of Parliament. Many of the volunteers from that program and this congregation have signed up for shifts, usually only one per month. There is a need for a few more volunteers. So, if you have time on a Monday evening or Tuesday morning, speak to Paul Dowling or to Jim Winn. Thank you!

New Staff Search Process

All interviews are finished and reference checks are almost complete for the lead candidate for each of the new positions at BUC; Communications, Children & Youth, and Community Engagement Coordinators. After a meeting with Karen Dale, starting dates will be announced.

To support these new staff people small resource groups (2-3 people) need to be formed. If you would like to offer your services or to get further, no-commitment information about this role, please speak with Karen Dale karen@beachuc.com or Ron Fitton ronfitton@hotmail.com



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Parking Lot: Progress at last!!

Many of us are wondering, and a few are asking, “What’s taking so long?” or “Are we still doing a parking lot?” Good questions, and finally some answers.

If you have ever gone through the process of seeking building approval from the city, you will have some sense of the challenges and frustrations that ensue. Our project has experienced all of those, with a few added wrinkles just to test our resolve. Following is a quick summary and an update.

Following many months of providing all of the required application documentation for us to operate a commercial parking facility, we learned that this would only be possible if Toronto Parking Authority is involved. After several months of discussions with TPA, we reached an acceptable agreement covering revenue sharing and areas of responsibility in the operation of the parking lot. A complete resubmission of all of the application documentation (see below*), incorporating TPA standards and requirements, is now underway. This will lead to reviews by various city departments, a community input meeting, approval by the Community Council and City Council, and finally issuance of a building permit. Our current timeline suggests that construction will be in early summer and we should be operational before the end of the summer.

Our agreement with TPA, and using their records of revenue from parking facilities similar to ours, indicates annual net revenue to BUC around \$48,000 - \$50,000..

As decisions are completed regarding parking lot layout, surface materials, and landscaping, details will be provided to the congregation. Until then, please be aware that our parking lot team continues to push the city to complete its process in the minimum time possible.

- Application documentation includes: architectural site plan, lighting plan, landscaping plan, storm water management plan, grading plan, topographic survey, geotechnical soil survey, planning rationale report, traffic impact report, accessibility plan, snow removal plan, reports from Toronto Hydro, Enbridge Gas, TTC, Canada Post, Tree Protection Plan.

- BUC Parking Lot Team -

