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Minister's Message

On Easter Sunday, almost as late as it can be this year on April 24th, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. No part of the Christian story is more central or more world-transforming than the resurrection of Jesus. In fact, Easter is so central that neither millions of chocolate bunnies nor tons of Easter eggs, even after a frugal fast in Lent for some of us, can obscure the origins of Christianity in the resurrection of Jesus. Yet, as central as the Easter message is, no part of the gospel is more difficult to proclaim. It is an affront to our worldview and our scientifically and historically conditioned notions of what is possible. It is also a challenge to reason itself, since it defies all explanation in asserting that God really can be victorious over the power of death and all powers that are against life.

Biblically aware Christians have long known that the message of the resurrection is earlier than the stories about it. The stories of the appearance of the risen Jesus are unique to each gospel's writer, told from the perspective of a singular human memory mixed with a richly symbolic religious system, and infused by an unmistakable presence in their own lives. For those early evangelists – a word which simply means "tellers of good news" – modern distinctions between historical facts and transcendent experiences didn't exist. As a result, their own repeatedly reinforced awareness of Christ's real presence beyond his death was the only significant – or suggestive sign of meaning – "proof" they ever needed that the resurrection message was true.

Still, as individual as those experiences were, this is not the whole truth about Easter, though our modern privatizing of the faith might leave that impression. With relief we easily put the gloomy rigors of Lent behind us and, amid banks of lilies, celebrate the return of spring – though this year a month late in North America, and in some countries celebrated in the middle of winter! – and the vindication of Jesus' private goodness, grasping the hope of personal immortality beyond the grave and presuming that it is the only good news to be known at Easter. But the church was never meant to be a loosely knit collection of isolated individuals who believe in the resurrection only as provocative proclamation of our private destiny alone. We are, rather, Easter people together, the community of the resurrection, as is clear from biblical stories in which Jesus appears to many at once. The resurrection is more than the guarantee of individual salvation for believers; it is the power of God's Yes to life which signals the triumph of every death-dealing No.

In Lent we often deal with the theme of covenant, which is nothing less than a permanent and unconditional offer of relationship, opened up freely and kept fully and faithfully by God. What is remarkable about biblical covenants, both with Israel and through Jesus, is that they include the concept of God's partnership with humanity. While our hope rests in God's unfailing loyalty, God's hope is that human beings will become full partners. The Unit of our national General Council, the head office of which is close to us at Islington and Bloor, which deals with many issues of justice and ecumenical relationships, has just changed its name to Partners in Mission, in recognition of this mutual call and commitment. The covenant is not complete, in other words, without human beings who, made in God's image, have the capacity to exercise their freedom in self-limiting and self-giving love just as God does. This is what Christians see in the life and death of Jesus, and we are constantly reminded to live up to our calling and responsibility to follow Jesus in passionate covenantal footsteps during Lent.

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LOOKING AT THE WEEKS AHEAD

- **Sunday, March 20** - Lent 2
- **Saturday, March 26** - The Met at Cineplex Odeon Queensway - 1:00 p.m.
- **Sunday, March 27** - Lent 3
- **Monday, March 28** - A Kairos Night - 7:00 p.m.
- **Friday, April 1** - Blue Jays Opening Game -7:00 p.m. Rogers Centre
- **Saturday, April 2** - Rummage Sale - 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, April 2** - Kairos Workshop - St. James United Church - 9:00 a.m. - noon
- **Sunday, April 3** - Lent 4
- **Saturday, April 9** - 53rd Anniversary Celebration and Silent Auction Guest
Speaker: Frank O'Dea, Founder of Second Cup
- **Sunday, April 10** - Lent 5
- **Friday, April 15** - Movie Night - 7:00 p.m. *The Apostle with Robert Duvall*
- **Sunday, April 17** - Palm Sunday - Communion
- **Thursday, April 21** - Toward Justice and Peace evening of Dialogue - 7:00 p.m.—Taric Centre
- **Friday, April 22** - Maundy Thursday Tri-Church Sedar and Service - Bloordale
- **Sunday, April 24** - Good Friday Service - Richview United Church 10:30 a.m.
Good Friday Walk for Justice - 2:00 p.m. Trinity Square
- **Sunday, May 1** - Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service, Centennial Hill - 6:22 a.m.
Breakfast sponsored by Choir - 9:00 - 10:15 a.m.
- **Thursday, May 5** - Easter 2
- **Sunday, May 8** - UCW Planned Giving workshop
- **Friday, May 13** - Easter 3 - Community Ministry Sunday
- **Saturday, May 14** - Movie Night -7:00 p.m. *The Green Mile with Tom Hanks*
- **Sunday, May 15** - Tropical Steelband Night
- **Thursday, May 19** - Easter 4 - Good Shepherd Sunday - Communion
- **Sunday, May 22** - Geranium Sale - 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

BLOORDALE AT TSO FOR KIDS

Saturday afternoon, February 5th, 2011, 7 Bloordale adults and friends and 8 related children went to the Toronto Symphony Orchestra Young People's Concert, at Roy Thomson Hall.

Before the performance, there was a preshow in the lobby, where Christopher Gongos, TSO French horn player, showcased his instrument and its sounds. He explained that a French horn is just a long wrapped up tube with a mouth piece, and if you blow just right, sounds come out. He even made sound come out of a garden hose. The children were crowded around the small stage, fascinated by Christopher and his antics.

At 3:30 the main performance started. After some introductory music, a magician and a very sad bird appeared; this 'Gimquat' (the bird) did not have its own voice or song and wanted one badly. The magician and Gimquat travelled back in time to where music started; from Gregorian chants, forward to Bach and Mozart. But none of this music was the Gimquat's song. Closer to the present time, Berlioz's 'Dream of a Witches' Sababath' from Symphonie Fantastique was great, but too exhausting to keep up and Brahm's 'Lullaby' was too sleep inducing for the Gimquat.

The present day's 'Cancan'; 'Smokey Jazz' and Justin Beiber songs were also not right. Finally, after crying a lake of tears, the Gimquat found her song: the song of the bird that she really was - a LOON.

The children in the audience were totally mesmerized by the performance by Platypus Theatre's artistic director Peter Duschenes (the magician) and Emmanuelle Zeesman (the Gimquat). The TSO Symphony, led by guest conductor Alain Trudel, performed snippets of well known pieces from different times.

This TSO performance was superb, and aimed at the children. The adults loved it too! I think we'll go again next year.

UCW NEWS

For the months of March and April, the two UCW units will be meeting together on the last Tuesday of each Month from 12 noon to 2:00 pm in room 15.

Please call Jackie Trimble 416-239-9419 if you would like to join us or just come along with a sandwich - we'll provide the soup. Cheers.

SILENT AUCTION RETURNING TO BLOORDALE

In conjunction with our 53rd Anniversary Celebration with Guest Speaker **Frank O'Dea** on **April 9th**, we will be holding a repeat Silent Auction. Please think about what you would like to contribute. Some suggestions include:

- Theatre tickets
- Sports tickets
- Original artwork
- Baking
- Baby sitting
- Cottage rentals
- Bed and Breakfast
- Gift certificates

Proceeds from the Silent Auction will towards Bloordale programmes.

For further information, please talk to Vanessa Ramsahai or any other member of the Social and Fundraising Committee.

PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care Committee thanks all who responded to our request for greeting cards and special thanks to Connie Drummond for the beautiful hand painted birthday cards. We are sure they will bring joy to the recipients.

As we move forward we ask that you set aside the afternoon of May 5 to attend a short workshop where the discussion will focus on "planned giving" and how to navigate the placement system when faced with the task of placing a loved one in alternate care. Detailed information will be included in the bulletin at a later date.

MOVIE NIGHTS AT BLOORDALE!

On the third Friday of every month, at 7 pm, Brian is showing a film that sparks discussion about life, faith, truth, and the mysteries and marvels that surround them. Having already shown such films as *Contact*, *Field of Dreams*, and *Pay It Forward*, and more recently *Chocolat* in March, here's the line-up for the next few months:

April 15th - ***The Apostle*** with Robert Duvall

May 13th (second Friday) - ***The Green Mile*** with Tom Hanks

Popcorn and other light snacks are offered, and conversation about excellent movies is always lively, so why not give it a try! We'll see you there!

**Bloordale United Church 53rd Anniversary
Celebration**

featuring special guest speaker

**FRANK O'DEA, on
HOPE • VISION • ACTION**



**Frank O'Dea knows how
to turn desperation into
success!**

He once begged, in the streets of Toronto, for money to buy cheap wine.

But he became a co-founder of SECOND CUP, and an internationally recognized advocate for hope.

www.frankodea.com

**At Bloordale United Church on
Saturday April 9, 2011**

Doors Open at 6:30 pm. Frank O'Dea will be speaking at 7:30

Admission \$20, or \$10 for those under 20

A this event we will also have a Silent Auction, free refreshments and a fine cheese assortment.

*For further information or tickets please contact
Juanita at the Church Office 41-621- 1710, or
Frank Sword 416-621-1047*

Come with us to see

***The Met at Cineplex
Odeon***

Captured Live in HD in New York

***Iphégenie En
Tauride***

A Gluck Opera



***Featuring Susan Graham,
Placido Domingo, and Paul Groves***

*In French with English subtitles,
an encore broadcast*

Saturday, March 26, 2011, 1:00 pm
*Queensway Cineplex Theater
1025 The Queensway, Toronto*

Tickets: \$23

We have 10 reserved seats.

***A Bloordale and Friends Event
Carpooling Available***

For further information and tickets contact
Julia 416-622-6309 (h) / 416-621-8050 (w)

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Easter, friends, is God's totally undeserved and eternal renewal of the covenant, a grace-filled gift of life and hope when only death and despair seem to reign supreme. It is as if God reaches across barriers of time and space to repair the broken relationships, despite the faults and fail- ings of the human partner, by raising the Human One Jesus from the dead, the first fruits of an abundant harvest of life in the here and now as well as in the there and then! What more joyous news can one imagine!

May God, with abundant grace, remake us as Easter people this year, filled with new hope, renewed in covenant community and rejoicing in God's praise! Blessings and peace for your, for our, journey.

Brian

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SERVICES

Maundy Thursday - April 21

Bloordale United Church

Good Friday - April 22

Richview United Church - 10:30 a.m.

Easter Sunday - April 24

Sunrise Service - Centennial Hill - 6:22 a.m.

Bloordale Breakfast - 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

RUMMAGE SALE

April 2nd

9:30 – 12:30

Please be selective as you do your spring cleaning and sorting. We want things that are in good condition but that you are finished with. Good clean used clothing (on hangers if possible), accessories, shoes, jewellery, collectibles for Granny's Attic, books (preferably fairly recent editions), games, toys, small appliances, small furniture in working order, pictures, lamps, kitchen stuff, baking, preserves and candy.

Good quality sports equipment should go under the stairs at the back door. Put items under the categories indicated on the stage. We need lots of items in good condition for a successful sale.

We will also need HELP on April 1st to sort and price items and April 2nd to sell. A sign-up sheet will be outside Room 15.

OPENING BLUE JAYS GAME

We have again purchased tickets for the Blue Jays home opener, Friday evening April 1st, at 7:00 pm

Blue Jays vs Minnesota Twins

18 seats in field level first base, Section 113A, rows 10/11/12;

\$ 48.00 each

Call Julia for information/tickets, 416-622-6309; car pooling available

DID YOU KNOW....?

Before the era of cameras one's image was either sculpted or painted. Some paintings of George Washington showed him standing behind a desk with one arm behind his back while others showed both legs and both arms. Prices charged by painters were not based on how many people were to be painted, but by how many limbs were to be painted. Arms, hands and legs are more difficult to paint, therefore painting them would cost the buyer more.

Hence the expression, 'Okay, but it'll cost you an arm and a leg.'

PASSION PLAY

Last year's Passion Play was so moving that a number of people suggested we make it an annual tradition. With this in mind, we will once again present a different version of a Passion Play, on Palm Sunday (April 17th).

We will be serving coffee, tea and delicious hot cross buns.

The children work extremely hard at these productions and I believe the understanding they gain from these performances will live with them throughout their lives.

Please support them by joining us for this special event.

PLANNED GIFT FUND

If you would like information concerning Planned Giving please contact the minister or a member of your committee, in confidence.

Rev. Brian McIntosh, Jim Donaghy, Ross Howey, Greg Waterman or Bob Hitchcock

KAIROS TORONTO WEST WORKSHOP APRIL 2ND - WITH CATHY CROWE!

On Saturday, April 2nd from 9 am to noon at St. James United Church, 400 Burnamthorpe Rd., Brian and the other members of Kairos Toronto West are hosting a workshop entitled *The Wealth Gap: Poverty or Justice?*

The special guest presenter is Cathy Crowe, long time Toronto Street Nurse and National Advocate to End Homelessness and Poverty.

In addition participants will learn about life with little by way of the Poverty Game. Fair Trade products, including excellent coffee, will be on sale as well.

There is no cost for this event, though a donation to help cover minimal costs will be gratefully received.

This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the scourge of poverty from someone who is in solidarity with the poor of our region and knows firsthand the daily struggles people face.

See the flyer posted at the Church, or speak to Brian if you would like more information.

Bloordale United Church
Social and Fundraising Committee presents....

Tropical Steelband Night

Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 7:30 pm



**Come on out for a tropical getaway .
Bring the whole family to enjoy a night of
Caribbean music.**

*Refreshments will also be available after the
performance*

Ticket Prices: \$20, \$10 for those under 30

**Featuring the Naparima Alumni Association
of Canada "Panache" Steelband**

For Further information and tickets contact
Vanessa 416-358-4504 or Nancy 416-620-5377



HONORARY MEMBER OF BLOODALE CHURCH COUNCIL

At Bloordale's Annual General Meeting on Sunday, February 20th, the presentation of an Honorary Church Council Membership was made to John Everett. As soon as Julia announced John's name there was an immediate standing ovation!!

John has an amazingly impressive list of contributions to the life and times of Bloordale United Church. Since he and Grace transferred their membership from Rexdale United Church in 1968, John has been an elder, Superintendent of the Sunday School, a member and chair of Ministry and Personnel, Property , Worship and Management Committees, a member of the Board of Trustees, a member of the choir, the liaison person with Terry Tan, and a member and reader of the Rev. Stephen Mabee's support group when Stephen was studying for his PhD.

We salute John as a devoted husband, father and grandfather and friend to all

We do



Geraniums

**If you ordered last year,
we'll call you...**

Geranium Sale

...Pick up on...

Thursday, May 19

1:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Dozen \$24/Basket \$15

Info? Jackie at 416-239-9419

The UCW appreciates your support!

PRESS BLUNDERS

Lost donkey. answers to the name of Harold. Very attractive, dearly beloved by owner. Last seen in a nun's outfit.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK FOR JUSTICE TAKES FAITH TO THE STREETS

2011 Theme: Despised and Rejected

A creative Good Friday "Walk for Justice" on April 22, for which Brian is on the Planning Team with particular responsibility for music, which takes place through downtown Toronto, will connect a core event of Christian faith — Good Friday — with current social justice issues. The Walk for Justice continues an ecumenical tradition begun about 25 years ago in which Christians from diverse churches hold a creative alternative to traditional Good Friday Stations of the Cross services. 300 – 500 people usually attend.

The Walk for Justice starts at 2 p.m. at Holy Trinity, Trinity Square, beside the Eaton Centre. Walkers will attend three stations on downtown streets, and return to Holy Trinity at 4:30 for the closing station and fellowship. Music, prayer and creative presentations will be interwoven throughout the event.

Walkers will pause at three stations along the way, illustrating current situations of people or groups being "accused or despised." One will focus on the G20, and another on Palestine. A third station will look at how our justice system penalizes those seen as threats to our security. It will zero in on how Canada's "war on terror" has resulted in several men being jailed for between two and seven years each, without any of them being charged with a crime. Back at Holy Trinity, the event will wrap up with a final liturgy, following which all are invited to share a vegan meal of soup and bread.

"Our faith is lived out in our society and in the choices we make," notes Margaret Sumadh, another Walk organizer. "We can choose to develop a very different society from the one we have now, and as our Walk will show, a growing number of faith-filled people are doing just that. Good Friday can give us a glimpse of abundant life, with no one rejected or despised. Everyone who shares this vision is invited to join us on April 22 at 2 pm."

To learn more, visit www.goodfridaywalk.ca, or

HOLY HUMOUR

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, 'My Mommy looked back once while she was driving,' he announced triumphantly, 'and she turned into a telephone pole!'

LENTEN LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Consultation on General Council "Statement on Ministry"

On two consecutive **Tuesdays, March 29th and April 5th, from 7 – 8 pm** Brian will be hosting a discussion/consultation on a *Revised Statement on Ministry* drafted by the General Council's Theology and Inter-Church Inter-Faith Committee and authorized by the General Council in 2009 for distribution across the United Church for reflection and feedback. The document is available for anyone to read, and all are invited to gather and discuss together the perspectives on ministry, both ordered and lay, in the Statement. Speak to Brian if you'd like a copy or to know more.

Lenten Study on UC's "Covenanting for Life in Creation" Process

The General Council in 2009 also authorized a combined consultation and engagement process, with study material provided, for the entire church, in order to reflect on a proposed national *Covenanting for Life in Creation* Statement, Liturgy and Action at GC in 2012. This process invites discussion about our engagement with the community around the church, in an action/reflection model, in order to provide feedback about a draft Covenant statement. Brian will lead 4 consecutive Tuesday morning reflection times, from **10 to 11:30 am**, beginning **March 29th** and ending April 19th. Ask Brian if you'd like more information, and be sure and come.

A KAIROS NIGHT

PALESTINE UNDER OCCUPATION UP CLOSE

On Monday March 28th at 7 pm an evening of picture and story sharing about Palestine under occupation with Brian and special guest Jennifer Henry, national Kairos staff for Dignity, Rights and Development, will take place at Bloordale.

Both Brian and Jennifer attended the recent 8th International Sabeel Conference, held in Bethlehem, under the theme "*Challenging Empire: God, Faithfulness and Resistance.*"

Sponsored by Kairos Toronto West, this evening will invite attendees to understand the plight of Palestinians who have lived under occupation and an expanding oppression since 1967. There will also be authentic Palestinian food, and a free will offering for the work of Kairos Toronto West will be collected.

Everyone in the community who is open to listening and learning is invited.

Stewardship Spot

"Stewardship is everything I do after I say 'I believe'."

The Gifts Families Give

God acts, we know, in individuals and in churches, but God also acts, fundamentally, in families. The Bible is clear about the positive role that the family plays in eliciting faith, and in nurturing a life of service and giving.

In each of the settings of the modern family, giving is a vital element, and can be ignored only to the detriment of your family or mine. Giving adds the light touch to relationships, and is the sacred seasoning that flavors family life. An old saying has it that "a miser is a difficult person to live with, but great to have as an ancestor." Even so, stingy people block the openness and spontaneity that ought to characterize any family circle.

The church is a focal point for the gifts that Christian families give. The regularity with which offering opportunities, both of money and time, present themselves allows God's house to become a center for teaching and learning the basics of giving in the family context. Children are always eager to make a tangible offering, instinctively wanting to participate in the ritual of giving. Families can benefit by talking about offerings long before they arrive in church on Sunday mornings, instilling a joyous attitude (parents included!) toward giving.

The way we handle other giving occasions in the life of a family is also of great importance. Christmas, Easter, birthdays and other holidays – the root of the word is "holy days" after all – are heavily promoted in our culture as gift-giving opportunities, and expectations naturally focus, especially for the young, on receiving! These are important times for families to build giving strategies based on biblical teaching and Christian witness into their life together. Drawing in every member, family conversations may lead to sensible yet compassionate planning. Finding a common cause outside of the family toward which gifts may be directed, including the church, may serve to radically change the focus of gift occasions from receiving to giving. It may also help younger family members to understand the setting of reasonable limits, placing the everyday impulse of spontaneous consumerism in a larger context of planned saving and spending.

Giving is learned, for the most part, by show rather than by tell. We know what giving means because of exemplary role models such as parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. Envelopes, glass jars and small boxes, and even

Lenten collection calendars such as the one Bloordale has distributed this year, are used by exemplary givers as a means of making giving consistent and joyous, and the lesson, while quiet or even unspoken, is clear. Generosity produces generosity, and the reverse is also true. Whichever spirit infuses family relationships will naturally incline its members in that same direction. Giving is both caught and taught in the family.

It is part of God's grand scheme for creation to gather people in families, in particular Christian families. The valuing of God's grace, overflowing in abundance in creation, and our human responses to that divine life and love, are nurtured in the family circle, as part of our larger Circle of Friends at Bloordale – we could even say our Church family! Patterns for the good life, that flow in part from the Good Book, are nurtured, and needs both minor and essential are addressed, in Christian families. And the church, the community, and the wider world, not to mention the members themselves, are blessed by a family that has learned to give!

TOWARD JUSTICE AND PEACE:

An Evening of Dialogue About the Holy Land Under Occupation

On Sunday April 17th at 7 pm at the Taric Centre, 99 Beverley Hills Drive (very close to the 400 & 401 interchange), the Canadian Intercultural and Interfaith Alliance for Palestinian Human Rights will be holding a Panel and Open Forum among Muslims, Jews and Christians in an atmosphere of mutual support and solidarity.

Representatives of various faith and cultural groups, including: the Canadian Arab Federation, the Canadian Islamic Congress, Independent Jewish Voices, Muslim Unity, and the Holy Land Awareness and Action Task Group of the United Church's South West Presbytery will be in attendance, to share perspectives on how a human rights approach toward many issues of conflict, including the Middle East and the occupation of Palestinian land, is a fruitful lens through which to see common cause in the struggle for justice and peace.

The event is free, and open to all who care about interfaith and intercultural dialogue and ending the illegal occupation to establish a just and permanent peace. Brian is one of the panelists, so feel free to call him about the details, or if you'd like to know more.



Green Awakening Network

The Green Awakening Network, to which Bloordale belongs, has organized a

Faith-into-Action project on the theme of 'Be The Change ... Towards a Green & Just Society' for Lent 2011. This project provides resources for a five-week discussion and action group focussed on exploring issues of climate change, ecological responsibility, and social justice through the perspective of our Christian faith. Themes and values to be explored include: re-connecting with creation and community; personal well-being and the simple life; reducing material consumption; conserving ecological resources; and, ecological and social justice in our individual lives, our society, and our planet.

The foundation of this program is people of all walks of life supporting each others' commitment for positive change...change in their hearts, hands, and mind! In this spirit, we would welcome others from local faith communities/traditions as well as local residents to participate with us.

Over the course of the series we will enjoy:

- facilitation ideas and activities;
- weekly readings and videos;
- dialogue questions;
- promotional materials; and,
- action ideas for individuals and congregations.

Brian will facilitate the conversation/discussion on five consecutive Thursday mornings, beginning **March 24th**, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Room 15 at Bloordale United Church.

WHEN & WHERE

On March 31, AD 33, the morning after Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus and his disciples left the town of Bethany, where they had spent the night. Being hungry, Jesus approached a fig tree to pick some fruit, but it had no fruit—only leaves. He cursed the tree saying "May no one ever eat your fruit again. (*Mark 11:12-14*). Jesus was giving a visual parable of the Temple in Jerusalem. Like the fruitless fig tree, the Temple was beautiful to look at but produce no spiritual fruit. When Jesus arrived in Jerusalem, he drove out the merchants and their customers from the Temple. Jesus and his disciples passed by the fig tree the next day and saw that it had withered, foretelling the Temple's destruction in AD 70 (*Mark 11:12-19*)

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www.adobe.com

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