

Weekly Calendars

LOOKING AHEAD

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS	
Monday—Friday	
9:15 am	Friends in Fitness
Monday	
1:30 pm	Yoga & Meditation
4:30 pm	Sparks
6:30 pm	Guides & Brownies
7:30 pm	Yoga & Meditation
Tuesday	
9:00 am	Quilters
7:30 pm	Tai Chi
Tuesday—Thursday	
11:45 am	Daily Prayers
Tuesday & Friday	
8:00 pm	Alcoholics Anon.
Wednesday	
7:00 pm	Overeaters Anon.
Thursday	
9:00 am	Bridge Club
5:30 pm	Walking Group
7:45 pm	Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 23	
7:30 pm	Worship & Sacraments
7:30 pm	Outreach Meeting
7:30 pm	More Comfort, More Joy
Wednesday, January 24	
6:00 pm	Congregational Project
7:30 pm	Grief Group
Thursday, January 25	
10:30 am	Rummage Sale Meeting
4:30 pm	Drum Circle Term 2
5:00 pm	Movin' & Groovin'
5:30 pm	Confirmation Module 1
5:30 pm	Peace with Justice
7:30 pm	Trustees Meeting
Friday, January 26	
6:30 pm	Silent Movie Night
7:00 pm	Youth Night

Sunday, January 28, 2007
10:30 am Fourth after Epiphany
Robert Oliphant preaching
Communion
 Reel Theology *The Queen*
 Amnesty International letter signing

Tuesday, January 30
7:30 pm More Comfort, More Joy
Wednesday, January 31
12:00 pm Unit 19 UCW
7:30 pm Grief Group
Thursday, February 1
4:30 pm Drum Circle Term 2
5:00 pm Movin' & Groovin'
5:30 pm Confirmation Module 2

Up Close and Personal with Stuart McLean
 If you love CBC's Stuart McLean, you'll love this opportunity to get to mingle with him and enjoy a story and a splendid meal at the CN Tower. This fundraising event is presented by Street Haven, a shelter & services for women in Toronto. The event is **Monday, January 29**, tickets are \$150/person (tax receipt provided). Reception is at 6:30 and dinner is at 7:30 pm in the 360 Restaurant. For tickets, contact Lorraine Rotz, 416-932-2935.

Environmental Film Series
 with discussion following
Lawrence Park Community Church
Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm
Jan. 24: A Civil Action (Story of a lawyer who risks everything to represent eight families whose children died from leukemia after two large corporations leaked toxic chemicals into the water supply in Woburn, Mass.)



Eglinton St. George's United Church

Announcements

January 21, 2007

After the Service

Join us for refreshments at **Coffee Hour** hosted by the Property Committee in the Lower West Wing

12:00 pm Flower Committee Meeting - Hearth Room

CHURCH SCHOOL



Attention Parents: Please "sign out" children at the end of Church School.

Also, please advise your child's leader if your child has food allergies.

On the Upper West Wing:

Infants and toddlers (infants - age 3) with our caregiver, Lita, along with volunteers

Kindergarten (ages 4,5) with teachers in room 213

Bible Story Theatre (grades 1-5) in St. George's Hall—rotation 5 **Discipleship**

On the Lower Level: Youth Church (grades 6 and up) in the Youth Room



FREE THE CHILDREN

children helping children through education

We are privileged to have the founder of Free the Children coming to speak at ESG on **Sunday afternoon, February 11th at 1:00 p.m.** A session with **Craig Kielburger** promises to be a truly unforgettable experience. Adopting a high-energy approach that has captivated audiences worldwide, this youthful visionary will discuss his own personal path from "Me to We" and the way in which his journey has helped him to discover the true meaning of his faith. Weaving together anecdotes from his travels to more than 40 countries, inspirational stories from those who live the same philosophy, and **personal insights about the importance of service to others in spiritual growth**, Craig motivates audience members to translate their faith into positive social change. **Why not purchase your tickets at coffee hour today?** This is a unique opportunity to hear Craig speak at the nominal price of only \$20.00 person or \$50.00 family (max 4-under the age of 12).



OUR OFFICE HOURS ARE: Monday - Friday

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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ESG News & Events

Stewardship Seconds

One body, many parts —

God's economy celebrates the gifts of the whole church, the "Body of Christ," which is greater than the sum of its parts and diminished when parts are missing.

Got \$2,200? In this World, You're Rich

by Thomas Kostigan

The richest 2% of the world's population owns more than half of the world's household wealth.

You may believe you've heard this statistic before, but you haven't: For the first time, personal wealth -- not income -- has been measured around the world. The findings may be surprising, for what makes people "wealthy" across the world spectrum is a relatively low bar.

The research indicates that assets of just \$2,200 per adult place a household in the top half of the world's wealthiest. To be among the richest 10% of adults in the world, just \$61,000 in assets is needed. If you have more than \$500,000, you're part of the richest 1%, the United Nations study says. Indeed, 37 million people now belong in that category.

Sure, you can now be proud that you're rich. But take a moment to think about it, and you'll probably come to realize that the meaning behind these numbers is harrowing. For if it takes just a couple of thousand dollars to qualify as rich in this world, imagine what it means to be poor.

Half the world, nearly 3 billion people, live on less than \$2 a day. The three richest people in the world — Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates, investor Warren Buffett and Mexican telecom mogul Carlos Slim Helú -- have more money than the poorest 48 nations combined. Even relatively developed nations have low thresholds of per person capital. For example, people in India have per capita assets of \$1,100. In Indonesia, capital amounts to \$1,400 per person.



Did you know that you can make a gift of listed securities to the church, receive a charitable donation receipt for the value of the shares as of the date they are received by the church and pay no capital gains tax?

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OUTREACH CORNER



GREEN TIPS

Avoid excess packaging. Choose products in refillable or reusable containers and when you can buy certain items in bulk - you won't miss paying extra for the package.



Have you picked up your January Issue of The Observer?

If you haven't please drop by the ESG church office Welcome Desk and pick one up. Due to an error, the ESG subscribers were missed off the January mailing. We apologize for this, and we thank you for your continued support.

Shari Hammill, Circulation Manager

Reminders

COFFEE HOUR

On **Sunday, January 28th** the **M & P Committee** will be serving coffee.



YOUTH NEWS

Come and join us on Friday, **January 26th** for pizza and a movie at the church. We will meet from 7:00 - 9:45 pm. Please bring \$3. to cover the cost of the pizza. Friends are welcome.

GRIEF GROUP

Wednesdays, January 24, 31, February 7, 21 at 7:30 pm

Have you experienced a loss due to death, divorce or job termination?

These four sessions by Deborah Hart will explore the "tasks" of the grieving process from a personal and spiritual perspective, with the goal of helping people move forward on their life journeys. Contact; Deborah Hart 416 481-1141 ext. 320.

MORE COMFORT, MORE JOY

Under Peter Merrick's guidance, you can expect to make friends with your voice, explore music through movement, drumming, and games. Graduates of last year's "Sing with Comfort and Joy" and novices equally welcome.

Tuesdays at 7:30 pm, January 23 to February 13.

Fee is \$25.00.

Sign up at Welcome Desk.

Contact Betty Heinger at 416 964-0389.



Lay Ministry Opportunities at Eglinton St. George's

We are beginning to gear up for the **Spring Rummage Sale on Saturday April 14.** The Rummage Sale Planning Committee will **meet at 10:30 on January 25** in the Hearth Room. All are welcome. We are still looking for a Coordinator for the sale as well as some folks to take the lead in ensuring the leftovers go to a good home and as little as possible ends up in a landfill site. If you can help with the sale, either organizing or volunteering for the many jobs, please contact Betsy Anderson, 416-481-1141 ex 260 or betsy@esgunitied.org.