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ISLINGTON UNITED CHURCH

A Directory of MINISTRIES, PROGRAMS AND GROUPS

A PLACE FOR YOU



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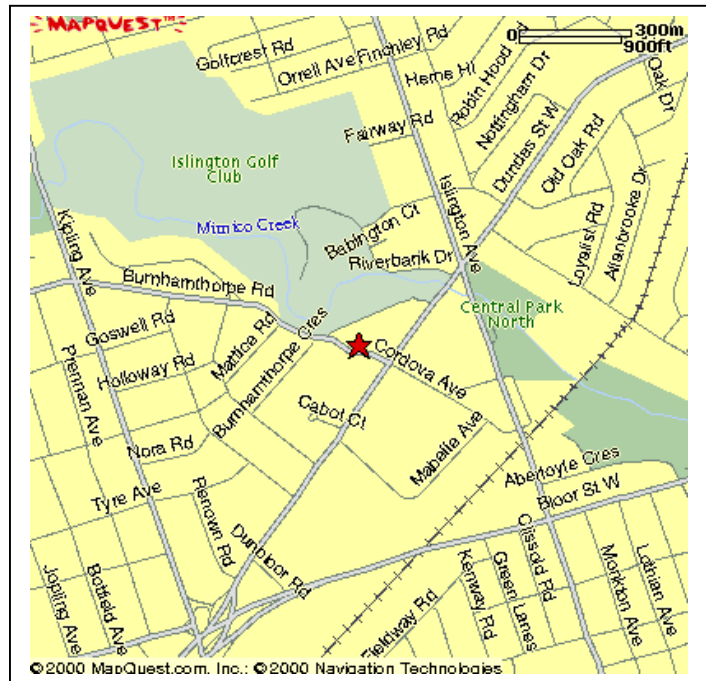
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A Directory of Ministries, Programs and Groups

About Islington United Church

At Islington United Church, we have come to believe that through participation in groups, we can discover our gifts, support our brothers and sisters, serve others, have fun and, best of all, grow closer to God. We strongly encourage you to get involved in the group of your choice. There is lots of room to develop new groups and ministries – what are your dreams?

Many blessings,
The Leadership Team

"That's a dream I have for my Church – that it would increasingly become a community of communities, a place full of little 'villages of Christ' where people really connect, really care, really make their faith visible through love. A place where we help people believe and become by helping them belong."

"Neo" in *A New Kind of Christian*
by Brian McLaren

Islington United Church is an open, caring, and thriving faith community that invites all people to discover, explore and develop their spirituality, discipleship and stewardship in Christ's name.



For more information and to offer your ideas and suggestions please contact:
Stewardship & Church Administrator
416.239.1131 ext. 33
office@islingtonunited.org

While every effort has been made to provide accurate information, we apologize for any errors or omissions.



HOW THIS DIRECTORY WORKS

The ministries, programs and groups are listed here alphabetically. Check the index on pages 14 and 15 for names of ministries and groups listed by age (e.g., children, senior, youth, etc.) or interest (e.g., community outreach, evangelism, faith exploration, fellowship, etc.). The full Sunday School schedule can be found on pages 7 and 8.



ABOVE AND BEYOND

Semi-annual

This ministry for widows in our community provides programs, support, prayer and fellowship.

October 17, 2009 Afternoon Tea
April 10, 2010 Victorian Luncheon
Contact: Eileen Christie
416.233.7897

ARCHIVES

Help with the collection, preservation, storage and display of our Church's history.

Contact: Carole Bennett
416.239.1131 ext. 33
carole@islingtonunited.org



BAPTISM SEMINAR

First Thursdays 7:30 pm
Preparation for infant, child and adult baptism, the sacrament of initiation into the Christian church.

Contact: Margaret Leet
416.239.1131 ext. 22
margaret@islingtonunited.org

BECOMING A MEMBER

Seminar: Tuesdays 7:30 pm
October 13 & 20, 2009
New Member Sunday: November 15
Also Spring 2010

Community plays an important role in our faith development. If you are considering membership here at Islington, we are delighted to invite you to join us for some social time and an opportunity to learn about this United Church of ours.

Contact: Margaret Leet
416.239.1131 ext. 22
margaret@islingtonunited.org

BELL CHOIRS

Jubilate (adult) Tuesdays 8:15 pm
Junior Thursdays 7:00 pm
Senior Tuesdays 10:00 am
Youth Tuesdays 7:00 pm

Hear that beautiful ringing? It's the sound of hand bells ringing out in worship.

Contact: Steven Lundy
416.239.0523
steven.lundy@gmail.com
Senior: June Wevers
416.767.3691
june.wevers@sympatico.ca

BIBLE STUDY

Mondays 7:30 pm
September 28–November 23, 2009
& January 18–February 8, 2010
OR
Thursdays 10:00 am
October 1–November 26, 2009
& January 28–February 18, 2010

Adult Crossings: God's Journey with Us
Deepen your understanding and practice of your faith by exploring the Bible's core stories that help us recognize God's presence and call in our lives today.

Contact: Mark Aitchison
416.239.1131 ext.23
mark@islingtonunited.org
or
Linda Wheler
416.239.1131 ext. 24
linda@islingtonunited.org
Register: Church office
416.239.1131 ext.21
office@islingtonunited.org

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

As called

Elected trustees hold and administer all property owned by the congregation for the benefit of the congregation as a part of The United Church of Canada under provisions of the Trusts of Model Deed.

Contact: Mark Aitchison
416.239.1131 ext. 23
mark@islingtonunited.org

BRIDGE GROUP

Alternate Tuesdays 1:00 pm
July and August weekly

Enjoy the fun of a friendly game of cards.

Contact: Claire Tettmar
416.233.2230
Summer: Eileen Christie
416.233.7897



CARING FRIENDS

On request

If you are able to make a meal for a family in need or offer a drive to a senior then you too could be one of Islington's Caring Friends. Help from a Caring Friend is available with just a phone call.

Contact: Rosemary Drinnan
905.602.8614

CHIME MINISTRY

Between Sunday services

We play the organ chimes as a benediction to those leaving worship, as a welcome to those arriving, and to the community.

Contact: Joan Hunter
416.239.1676
hunters01@rogers.com

CHOIRS

See JUNIOR CHOIR
SENIOR CHOIR
YOUTH CHOIR



**CHRISTMAS MINISTRY -
WHITE BAG SUNDAY**

December 2009

This ministry gathers gifts for families and individuals in our community. With the collection and distribution primarily at Christmas, this group works year-round providing assistance to those with limited resources.

Contact: Julie Smith
416.620.0179
r.jsmith@rogers.com

CHURCH COUNCIL

2nd Mondays bi-monthly 7:00 pm

The Church Council is elected by the congregation to oversee the spiritual and temporal life and work of Islington United Church.

Contact: Elsa van Vliet
416.234.1948
evliet@interlog.com

COFFEE HOUR

After each worship service
Come enjoy fellowship and refreshments with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Consider joining the team to host this important hospitality ministry.

Contact: Lynda Sharpe
416.620.9509

**COMMUNICATIONS
COMMITTEE**

This committee helps to promote the vision, mission and values within the Church and to our mission field. It also provides communications support for all Church groups.

Contact: David Lang
416.236.8711
dlang@langresearch.ca

COMMUNION MINISTRY

One Sunday monthly

This group prepares and brings the elements of bread and cup, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, to the people of God.

Contact: Ransford Chambers
905.826.9974
or Debbie Jamison
416.233.8950
djamison1099@rogers.com

CONFIRMATION

See YOUTH CONFIRMATION

CURLING

Fall/Winter Saturdays 10:00 am

Folks of all ages enjoy the competition and fellowship of curling at High Park Curling Club with our friends from St. James's United. We curl on 10 Saturday mornings from October to March.

Contact: Don Cook
416.233.7516
pac@interlog.com



DAY CLUB

Thursdays 11:00 am

The Islington Day Club is an exercise, support and recreational program for stroke survivors in Etobicoke. Charge is \$2 per meeting. Bring a bag lunch; refreshments are served.

Contact: Jane Howell
416.231.4732
or Joan Cascadden
416.231.0426

**DISCOVERY QUEST
(SUNDAY SCHOOL)**

Sundays during worship

Classes and workshops for children and youth to explore and develop their faith. See details of the program on pages 7 and 8.

Contact: Lauren Hodgson
416.239.1131 ext. 25
lauren@islingtonunited.org

DISCOVERY QUEST LEADERS

Sundays during worship

Program leaders and assistants are needed to lead classes for three to four week periods for young children and youth as they explore and develop their faith. Training, support and resources are all provided.

Contact: Lauren Hodgson
416.239.1131 ext. 25
lauren@islingtonunited.org



ELDERS

Wednesdays quarterly 7:30 pm

Join the training ground of our church leaders. Elders extend the reach of our caring faith family to our congregation. Be an official ambassador and help us maintain a personal link with every member!

Contact: Steve Tower
416.237.0065
stower@rogers.com

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

2nd Mondays bi-monthly 7:00 pm

This elected Council supports Church Council by overseeing the day-to-day operations and emergency or confidential matters of the Church.

Contact: Elsa van Vliet
416.234.1948
evliet@interlog.com



FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Monthly 7:30 pm

This committee oversees the planning, maintenance and repair of our Church home to ensure a welcoming, comfortable and safe home for Islington's ministries and programs.

Contact: Bob Shirer
416.231.6404
rjshirer@rogers.com



FAITH FAMILY FUN

Three events throughout the year when our faith family comes together for Faith, Family, Fellowship, Fun and Food:

November 1 Pumpkin Patch &
Fall Turkey Supper

November 29 Light Up the Night

February 12 Valentine Dance Party

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

FAITH FORMATION TEAM

First Wednesdays, bi-monthly 7:30 pm

This group plans and oversees a broad range of programs for people of all ages to explore and develop their faith.

Contact: Ross Vickers
416.231.1797
vickers@shermans.net

FIRST PLACE

Mondays 10:00 am

A women's prayer and Bible study group.

Contact: Margot Jewell
416.233.0279

FOOD PANTRY

Thursdays

Our emergency food pantry operates 12 months of the year and is available to anyone needing help. This ministry replenishes supplies and monitors the pantry's use on a monthly basis. It is a great opportunity for families who would like to get their children involved in community work.

Contact: Ron MacNeill
416.621.6607
rmacneill6607@rogers.com

FRIENDS OF JAZZ

2 to 3 times a year

Join other music lovers to hear Dixieland and other types of jazz at clubs around the city throughout the year.

Contact: Bill and Rosemary Drinnan
905.602.8614

FUNERALS & MEMORIALS

By appointment

When planning your service or a ceremony to honour a loved one and celebrate a life, you or your funeral director may contact any member of the ministry team. (See also *Legacy of Faith* workshop.)

Contact: Ministry Team
416.239.1131
office@islingtonunited.org



GO PROJECT

Summer 2010

A unique mission project for youth from across Canada, Grade 9 to age 19, to explore faith and mission by serving in outreach ministries during one of its two-week sessions.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

GOD & GUINNESS

Last Mondays 8:00 pm

A young adult gathering (ages 18–30) for fellowship, study and conversation. Meet in the Youth Room followed by food and fellowship at The Shamrock & Thistle.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Last Saturday of September

Join other golfers – expert and novice, young and not, men and women – for a round of golf followed by dinner and prizes.

Contact: Doug Peter
416.231.8907
sdpeter@sympatico.ca

GOOD COMPANY

Saturdays Monthly

Join couples and singles for fun events:

September 12 Tour – Spadina House,
Dinner & Concert
October 3 Boat Cruise
November 7 ROM – Dead Sea Scrolls
December 4 Christmas Party
January 9 Captivating Speaker
February 6 Pot Luck & Court Whist
March 6 Dinner Theatre
April 3 Progressive Dinner
May 1 Sharon Temple & Dinner
June 5 Barbecue

Contact: Mollyanna Potter & Bev Walton
416.622.8515
mp.elderfield@sympatico.ca

GREETER TEAMS

Every sixth Sunday morning

Offer a warm welcome and handshake, and perhaps a little assistance to those arriving for worship. You can choose to welcome worshippers at either the first or second service.

Contact: Murray Wood
416.239.9545
pmwood@ican.net

GROW

Second Tuesdays 8:00 pm

A monthly gathering (October–June) for senior high youth (grades 10–12) to discuss faith and life. Meet in the Youth Room for an hour followed by food and fellowship at Second Cup.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org



HEALING MINISTRY

Fourth Mondays 7:30 pm

This committee coordinates all the activities for the Healing Ministry. A healing workshop is also offered from time to time.

Contact: Ed Sparks
416.236.9839
shadow5352@hotmail.com



HEALING PRAYER

Second Sundays after worship
Prayer with a focus on God's healing presence in our lives and to foster an atmosphere of healing within our community.
Contact: Ed Sparks
416.236.9839
shadow5352@hotmail.com

HELPING HANDS

Outreach work takes many forms at Islington to address the year-round needs in our community:

- Christmas Ministry
- Food Pantry
- Homework Club
- Mabelle Food Program

Check these entries in this directory for the one(s) that interest you.

HOMework CLUB

Tuesdays 4:00 pm
This ministry works with children in grades 1 to 8 helping them with homework, providing a snack and enjoying a brief playtime. Held at 5005 Dundas Street, volunteers do not need teaching experience – all help is welcome.
Contact: Mollyanna Potter
416.622.8515
mp.elderfield@sympatico.ca

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

Frequently
Food, drink, and fun are on offer through the ministry of Christian hospitality: from Sunday morning Coffee Hour to full lunches and dinners. Planners, buyers, cooks and servers are always needed and welcome.

Contact: Isla Grady
416.620.1411
isla.grady@sympatico.ca
or Lynda Sharpe
416.620.9509



ISLINGTON DAY CLUB

See DAY CLUB



JAZZ GROUP

See FRIENDS OF JAZZ

JUNIOR CHOIR

Thursdays 6:00 pm
Fun and music for children ages 6 to 12 with opportunities to sing in worship.
Contact: Christy Cummings
416.255.1307
soapandhammers@bellnet.ca

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

See RISE



LEGACY OF FAITH

Spring 2010
What will be your legacy of faith? Use the gift of time in this seminar to consider the legacy you wish to leave for future generations: for your loved ones, your church, your charities.
Contact: Carole Bennett
416.239.1131 ext. 33
carole@islingtonunited.org

LENTEN STUDY GROUP

Wednesday evenings in Lent
Join other seekers to find new meaning in Lent, the season of contemplation and preparation.
Contact: Ministry Team
416.239.1131
office@islingtonunited.org

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Fourth Mondays 10:00 am
Join this committee to help acquire, review and catalogue items for Islington's expanding Resource Centre ministry.
Contact: Clarice Giffen
416.255.7235
claricegiffen@rogers.com



LINK NEWSLETTER

Two to four times a year Islington's newsletter, *LINK*, provides fascinating articles by our staff and members about the many activities within and outside our Church, reflecting the deep spiritual life of this faith community.

Contact: Margaret Leet
416.239.1131 ext. 22
margaret@islingtonunited.org

LIVING WITH CHRIST

Sundays 11:15 am
High school-aged youth gather in the Youth Room to explore faith and culture.

Contact: Jack Grady
416.620.1411
jgrady@sympatico.ca

LOAVES & FISHES COMMITTEE

Third Mondays 7:00 pm
This committee explores and develops the themes of stewardship and Christian giving of time, talent and treasure; it guides the planning, budgeting and financial reporting for Islington United Church.

Contact: Debbie Stephens
905.828.1855
debbie.stephens@hp.com

LUNCH & LEARN

Mondays, 12:00–2:00 pm
Join members and friends from 12:00–2:00 for a soup and sandwich lunch followed by an entertaining guest speaker, all for \$10 per person.

November 9, 2009
February 8, 2010
May 10, 2010
September 13, 2010
November 8, 2010
Contact: Ted Wilson
416.231.7726
ewilson@rogers.com



MABELLE FOOD PROGRAM

2nd & 4th Wednesdays
Located at 49 Mabelle Avenue and funded by the Daily Bread Food Bank, this program welcomes volunteers of all ages. Donations of food are welcome and can be left in the food bank box on the upper level adjacent to the Church office.

Contact: Ron MacNeill
416.621.6607
rmacneill6607@rogers.com

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

February 2010
A program of two sessions for brides and grooms and newly-married couples to prepare for their new life together.

Contact: Margaret Leet
416.239.1131 ext. 22
margaret@islingtonunited.org

MEN'S DAY TOGETHER

September 19, 2009
An annual opportunity to take some time away from the rush of life and to grow in spirit in the company of other men. Come and be a part of this great day!

Contact: Ted Wilson
416.231.7726
ewilson@rogers.com

MINISTRY & PERSONNEL (M&P) COMMITTEE

Wednesdays monthly 7:00 pm
This is the human resources "department" of the Church – providing support for all Church staff and overseeing the relationship between staff and the congregation.

Contact: Wendy Sexsmith
416.232.1682
wwilliamson@hotmail.com

MISSION AND SERVICE (M&S) FUND

Thanksgiving 2009
The M&S Fund supports all the work of The United Church of Canada – locally, nationally and around the world – our faith in action.
Contact: Carole Bennett
416.239.1131 ext. 33
carole@islingtonunited.org

MUSIC AT ISLINGTON

This group organizes a concert series which highlights the talents of Islington and Toronto musicians. This season's concerts will be held on Saturday evenings. Tickets are available as a subscription series or individually.

November 14	A Child's Christmas in Harriston
February 13	Love Is in the Aria!
March 6	Organ Plus
April 17	Toronto Mass Choir
May 15	Choral Masterpieces

Contact: Val Greenfield
416.621.3656
val.greenfield@rogers.com

MUSIC COMMITTEE

To promote and support the musical expression of worship, education and outreach for the congregation.

Contact: Ron Jewell
416.233.0279
ronjewell@sympatico.ca



NURSERY & TODDLER CARE

Sundays during worship
Excellent caregivers provide care to little ones during every worship service. We are equipped with a paging system so caregivers can reach parents during the service, if necessary.

Contact: Lauren Hodgson
416.239.1131 ext. 25
lauren@islingtonunited.org



OFFICE VOLUNTEER TEAM

Weekly or monthly
Use your people skills and other talents as you contribute to the smooth operation of the Church office – greeting members and visitors, helping with routine administrative tasks and inquiries, offering the first care to callers in need.

Contact: Carole Bennett
416.239.1131 ext. 33
carole@islingtonunited.org

OUT OF THE COLD

Twice each winter
Join our team to cook and/or serve a hot supper for the homeless in our community hosted by our friends at All Saints' Anglican: two Fridays between November and April.

Contact: Bill Drinnan
905.602.8614



PASTORAL CARE COMMITTEE

Second Wednesdays 9:30 am
This committee provides oversight and support to Islington's pastoral care ministries.

Contact: Sally Hubbs
416.231.3237
rshubbs@aol.com

PLANNED GIVING

By appointment
Your joyful gift can continue or create rich ministries and programs of faith at Islington for generations to come. For a confidential discussion –

Contact: Carole Bennett
416.239.1131 ext. 33
carole@islingtonunited.org

PRAYER AND MEDITATION

2nd and 4th Thursdays 1:30 pm
A small group ministry that provides participants with an opportunity to explore their faith through prayer, Scripture and guided meditation.

Contact: Maureen Wilson
416.231.7726
ewilson@rogers.com

PRAYER LINK

On request
A network of people who will pray in confidence for anyone in need because of life events – failing health, unemployment, broken relationships, loneliness – whatever stresses life may bring.

Contact: Sally Hubbs
416.231.3237
or Betty Tansley
416.239.0758
elizabethtansley@rogers.com

PRESBYTERY

See SOUTHWEST PRESBYTERY

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

See FACILITIES COMMITTEE



READERS' GUILD

Sunday worship services
Reading God's Word to the people of God, making the biblical words come alive in the minds and hearts of worshippers. Each person reads three times a year on a rotation basis.

Contact: Clarice Giffen
416.255.7235
claricegiffen@rogers.com

REFUGEE SUPPORT MINISTRY

Wednesdays monthly 7:15 pm
From planning and fundraising to advocacy and hands-on support, this group co-ordinates the annual sponsorship of a family emigrating to Canada.

Contact: Diane Anger
416.233.0350
dianeanger@hotmail.com

RISE

First Tuesdays 7:00 pm
A junior youth group of fun and fellowship for kids in grades 4 to 6.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org



SATURDAY FELLOWSHIP

As announced
Concerts, cards, travelogues, trips and more!

Contact: Joyce Sanderson
416.246.6320

SCOUTING - BEAVERS

Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Scouting fun, games, crafts and more for ages 5 to 7 with a focus on 'sharing'.

Contact: Jeff Dick
416.234.9602
www.2ndetobicokescouts.org



SCOUTING - CUBS

Mondays 6:30 pm
Scouting fun, games, crafts and more for ages
8 to 10 with a focus on doing your best
through badgework.
Contact: Jeff Dick
416.234.9602
www.2ndetobicokecouts.org

SEEKERS YOUTH GROUP

See YOUTH GROUP - SEEKERS

SENIOR CHOIR

Thursdays 7:30 pm
Sundays 11:00 am
Leading the people of God in music for
worship each week - to the glory of God.
Contact: John Derksen
416.239.1131 ext. 26
john@islingtonunited.org

SENIORS' CELEBRATION

October 7, 2009
April 21, 2010
Held twice each year, seniors come together
for Communion, fellowship, lunch and
entertainment.
Contact: Sylvia Loomis
416.626.8180
or Jodi Smith
416.231.3499

SOULSTICE

September 20, 2009
December 20, 2009
March 21, 2010
June 20, 2010

Rooted in the changing of the seasons, youth
and young adults lead inspired and energizing
worship, born from a Spirit of Creativity. Join
us for coffee and dessert in an atmosphere for
song, dance, laughter, tears - free your soul!

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

SOUND CREW

All worship services
Help with microphones, mixing and taping to
support our worship services.
Contact: Peter Dunlop
416.239.6283
pbdunlop@rogers.com

SOUTHWEST PRESBYTERY

Islington is one of many congregations
overseen by Southwest Presbytery, a United
Church court made up of clergy and lay
people. Our assessment fees assist three
community ministries as well as other
ministries and programs within the presbytery
and Toronto Conference.

Contact: Mike Wood Daly
416.533.9252
groundlevel@rogers.com

SPIRITUAL GIFTS WORKSHOP

As announced
Join this workshop to identify the gifts or
strengths described in the Bible that God has
bestowed on you. In the second half of the
workshop we provide the tools you need to
find your special place at Islington. God wants
our hearts to sing as we serve. This workshop
will open the door.

Contact: Lynn Morrison
905.990.2626
lynn.morrison@rogers.com

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Second & fourth Tuesdays 7:30 pm
A Christ-centred, one-to-one, free and
confidential caring ministry for members of our
church and our community.

Contact: Linda Wheler
416.239.1131 ext.24
linda@islingtonunited.org

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING

November 2010-May 2011
Competent, caring Christians are equipped
through a training program to offer care to
those in crisis.

Contact: Dale Kucharczyk
416.233.9313
dkucharczyk@rogers.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL

See DISCOVERY QUEST and
Pages 7-8



TAIZE WORSHIP

First Sundays 7:30 pm
(October-June)

A beautiful candlelit worship experience, filled
with meditative music and prayer. Suitable for
ESL.

Contact: John Derksen
416.239.1131 ext. 26
john@islingtonunited.org

TAPE MINISTRY

Sunday worship services
Recordings of Sunday worship services are
reproduced and distributed to those who order
a copy from the Church office: \$4 per copy.
Home-bound people can stay connected to
worship at Islington by borrowing Home Tapes
at no cost.

Worship Peter Dunlop
Tapes: 416.239.6283
pbdunlop@rogers.com
Home Alan Garth
Tapes: 416.621.2746
alan.garth@3web.net



TODDLER CARE & NURSERY

Sundays during worship
Excellent caregivers provide care to little ones during every worship service. We are equipped with a paging system so caregivers can reach parents during the service, if necessary.

Contact: Lauren Hodgson
416.239.1131 ext. 25
lauren@islingtonunited.org

TRUSTEES

See BOARD OF TRUSTEES



UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

Leadership as called
Outreach-
Jubilee Unit 3rd Mon. 7:30 pm
Priscilla Unit 3rd Wed. 1:15 pm
Village Unit 3rd Mon. 12:30 pm
Fellowship and exploration of faith for all women of the congregation.

Leadership Ann Howard
Contact: 416.233.9527
maggieorann@rogers.com

Outreach Lynda Sharpe
Contact: 416.620.9509

Priscilla Claire Tettmar
Contact: 416.233.2230

Village Audrey MacLeod
Contact: 416.622.3718

USHERING TEAMS

Every sixth Sunday morning
Six teams of men, women and youth share the ministry of welcoming worshippers on a rotation basis on Sunday mornings.

Contact: John Page
416.233.9873
itsjohnpage@gmail.com



VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Summer 2010
Children, ages 5-13, and their youth and adult leaders gather for fun, crafts, music and Christian growth for five summer mornings.

Contact: Lauren Hodgson
416.239.1131 ext. 25
lauren@islingtonunited.org

VISITATION MINISTRY

Quarterly
Caring visitors reach out to our elderly homebound friends. Visits and calls are made to their homes, seniors' residences and hospitals. This is an opportunity to share our Christian love.

Contact: Bev Walton
416.622.8515
bwelderfield@sympatico.ca



WEBSITE WORKING GROUP

Tuesdays quarterly 7:30 pm
Writers, researchers and designers are welcome to help shape and maintain www.islingtonunited.org.

Contact: Robert Picard
905.569.6872
rpic@sympatico.ca

WEDDINGS

By appointment
Plan your wedding at Islington United Church, the perfect place to begin a committed life together in marriage.

Contact: Margaret Leet
416.239.1131 ext.22
margaret@islingtonunited.org

WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER

April 25-May 1, 2010
"A retreat in the city" - an opportunity to undertake an intentional program of daily prayer with a trained faith companion.

Contact: Dorothea Vickers
416.231.1797
vickers@shermans.net

WHITE BAG SUNDAY

See CHRISTMAS MINISTRY

WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT

October 2010
An opportunity to take some time away from the rush of life and to grow in spirit in the company of other women at the Islington Golf Club Conference Centre.

Contact: Lynn Morrison
905.990.2626
lynn.morrison@rogers.com

WORSHIP

Sundays 9:30 & 11:15 am
Summer Sundays
July 4-September 5, 2010
10:00 am

The great assembly of the congregation to celebrate God's presence and to respond to God's call to service in our world.

Contact: Mark Aitchison
416.239.1131 ext. 23
mark@islingtonunited.org

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

First Mondays monthly
The committee discovers and develops meaningful forms of worship with the ministerial team.

Contact: Jack Grady
416.620.1411
jgrady@sympatico.ca



YOU GROUPS

YOU 1 Wed. evenings monthly
YOU 2 Third Mondays 1:15 pm
YOU 3 Tues. evenings monthly

Peer-led women's groups for growth and spiritual development.

YOU 1 Lorie Burek
Contact: 416.233.7603
lburek@mdsintl.com

YOU 2 Dale Kucharczyk
Contact: 416.233.9313
dkucharczyk@rogers.com

YOU 3 Pattie Aitchison
Contact: 416.620.3887
paitchison@sympatico.ca

YOUTH CHOIR

Thursdays 6:00 pm

Sundays 9:00 am

Teens leading God's people in song every week! Plus an annual road trip.

Contact: Sarah Grady
647.200.5951
grady_sarah@hotmail.com

or John Derksen
416.239.1131 ext. 26
john@islingtonunited.org

YOUTH CONFIRMATION

October 2009–May 2010

Youth interested in exploring their faith are invited to this in-depth program, leading towards full church membership.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

YOUTH DROP-IN & SUPPER

Thursdays 4:00 pm

Come and "hang out" in the Youth Room with other youth and young adult leaders followed by supper in the Stewart East Hall at 5:30. Then stay for Choose 2 Serve, Youth Choir, and/or the Seekers Youth Group.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

YOUTH - GO PROJECT

See GO PROJECT

YOUTH GROUP - SEEKERS

Thursdays 7:00 pm

Learning, sharing and fun programs for youth in grades 7–12. Check the youth bulletin board for coming events.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131 ext. 31
michael@islingtonunited.org

YOUTH RETREAT

October 1–4, 2009

An incredibly great weekend away at Camp Tawingo for all youth programs at Islington. A great way to kick off the church year and meet new IUC youth.

Contact: Michael Shewburg
416.239.1131
michael@islingtonunited.org



COMMUNITY GROUPS

Many community groups use space at Islington United Church and are listed below. For contact information for a group that interests you, contact the Church Office.

Contact: 416.239.1131 ext. 21
office@islingtonunited.org

Afternoon Badminton (Mondays)

Alcoholics Anonymous

Amnesty International

Association Inka Garcilazo de la Vega

Canadian Cancer Society – Relay for Life

Classical Music Conservatory Recitals

Corbalan Piano Lessons

Etobicoke Community Concert Band

Etobicoke Volleyball Association

Etobicoke Youth Strings

FAME – Family Association for Mental Health
Everywhere

Fun with Fitness

Get Fit Boot Camp

Humancare Associates –
Marriage Preparation

Islington Youth Club – Volleyball

Jewell (Suzuki) Violin Lessons

Kiernicki Dance

Kingsway Islington Probus Computer Club

La Leche League – Toronto West-Etobicoke

Misseto Bonsai Club

MMM Rhythmics

Mothercraft – Home-Based Child Care
Training

Pathfinders – Branch 297

Pup-eez Dog Training

Royal Conservatory of Music Examinations

Royal York Baseball League

Toastmasters

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The United Church of Canada

University Women's Club – Badminton

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Church Council
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