

# **National Presbyterian Museum**



#### Replica Presbyterian chapel of the 1850s

National Presbyterian Museum c/o St. John's Presbyterian Church 415 Broadview Avenue (near Gerrard Street) Toronto, ON M4K 2M9 416-469-1345 museum@presbyterian.ca presbyterianmuseum.ca

Visit the Museum before it relocates out of Toronto in Fall 2018

Rediscover your family and faith roots

The National Presbyterian Museum was established by the Rev. Dr. John A. Johnston to exhibit artifacts that help tell the story of faith of Canadian Presbyterians. From its modest beginnings in a storage space, the Museum officially opened in the basement of St. John's Presbyterian Church in Toronto, 2002. Here you will see the items used by Canadian Presbyterians as they worshipped, witnessed and worked for Jesus Christ.

A display of the library of the Rev. Dr. John Keir (1780-1858), first professor of The Presbyterian Church of Nova Scotia's theological seminary in Princetown, P.E.I. (later relocated and became West River Theological Seminary of Durham, Pictou County, N.S.) His entire library was preserved and donated by his descendants.



Communion tokens are largely a Presbyterian phenomenon. Their primary purpose was to teach Christians to be in the right frame of spirit in order to participate in the Lord's Supper. The Presbyterian Museum has the largest collection in Canada.





Missionaries brought back handcrafted items for use in mission awareness and support, and as gifts.





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#### **Group Tours**

Bring your WMS group, youth group, church school, communicants' class, etc., and enjoy some faith stories from our Presbyterian family's past. Tours are modified to meet the needs and interests of each group.

#### **Heritage Service**

A heritage Presbyterian worship service can be offered that takes place in either the chapel (for up to 12 people) or in the 1908 sanctuary of St. John's Church. If Communion is desired, an ordained minister and a precentor will lead this service.

## The Presbyterian Museum is located in the historic St. John's Presbyterian Church 415 Broadview Avenue Toronto, Ontario M4K 2M9 Built in 1908, it retains much of its original character.

Admission Free-will donation, suggested donation ~ \$5 per person

Hours Open by appointment only

Limited parking Only 2 spaces on site

Transit Take the TTC train to Broadview Station and streetcar south

### Directions

**From the east:** Hwy. 401; to Don Valley Parkway exit; south on Don Valley Parkway; take Bayview Avenue exit; turn right on Bayview Avenue to River Street; turn right on River Street; turn left at first traffic light onto Gerrard Street; Gerrard Street to Broadview Avenue; turn left onto Broadview Avenue; turn right onto Victor Avenue; turn right onto Howland Road; turn right onto Simpson Avenue; proceed to parking lot behind church.

**From the west:** Hwy. 401; take Bayview Avenue exit; turn right on Bayview Avenue; Bayview Avenue to River Street; turn right on River Street; turn left at first traffic light onto Gerrard Street; Gerrard Street to Broadview Avenue; turn left onto Broadview Avenue; turn right onto Victor Avenue; turn right onto Howland Road; turn right onto Simpson Avenue; proceed to parking lot behind church.