

Central Queens United Church  
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(Stand as able \*)

**Prelude:**

**Welcome & Announcements:**

**Birthday's & Special Occasions: (Tune to Happy Birthday)**

We celebrate you, in all that you do

We love you, God bless you.

Let us celebrate you.

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: God calls us to this community of faith.

People: God calls us to celebrate together and give thanks for the blessings we receive each day.

Leader: Through Jesus we are called on a special journey of faith.

People: He reminds us of the importance of loving ourselves and others.

Leader: We are called to offer our gifts to those in need.

People: To reach out with loving hands and hearts to expand the circle of love.

**Introit: VU # 402 (Vs. 1) "We Are One"**

**Prayer Of Approach: (Unison)**

We are here this morning engaged on this exciting journey of faith.

As we travel this path with anticipation may we see Your guiding footsteps, O God.

Enable us to see the Christ presence within us as we walk together.

May our journey be filled with hope, faith and love. Amen

**Hymn: # 678 "For the Healing of the Nations"**

**Responsive Psalm: Psalm 105 (VU Page 828-829 Parts One and Two)**

**Time With Youth: (at conclusion children recess for Sunday School)**

Go, Go, Go, with God

Have peace within your heart

Praise and pray every day

Have peace within your heart.

**\*Hymn: # 509 (Vs. 1 & 3) "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"**

**Prayer of Confession & Renewal:**

**Assurance Of Pardon:**

**Special Music:**

Eugene Burke

**-LISTENING TO THE WORD-**

**First Scripture Reading:**

Romans 10: 5-15

**Gospel Reading:**

Matthew 14: 22-33

**Sermon:**

"Taking That First Step"

**-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-**

**Special Music:**

Eugene Burke

**Presentation of Our Gifts To God:**

(Choir sings as gifts are received)

**\* Offertory Prayer: (Unison)**

We offer these gifts remembering that we stand on holy ground. We stand upon the earth that produces life for all. May we never forget the delicate balance of nature's life cycle. Use these gifts and our commitment to live in harmony with nature and each other. Help us to seek renewal that mends the broken earth and relationships in our lives. In giving these gifts we commit ourselves anew to walk gently on this holy ground and with each other. Amen.

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer:**

**Hymn: # 220 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"**

**Commissioning & Benediction: (Unison)**

We are sent out with authority to proclaim good news.

God has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.

We take that first step of faith depending always on God's guidance.

God's Spirit goes with us in all we do and is always present.

**Choral Benediction: VU # 963**

May the grace of Christ attend us,

and the love of God surround us,

and the Holy Spirit keep us,

now and ever. Amen.

**Postlude:**

**-LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH -**

- Central Queens United Church would like to thank Rev. Gary Clark for leading our service this morning. We would also like to thank Eugene Burke for his beautiful gift of music this morning.

- If you are visiting with us today we welcome you and encourage you to sign our guest book located in the foyer of the building.

- **Karla's (Church Secretary) Work Schedule: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. and Thursday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m..**

- **Please Note that there is a large wooden box in the foyer where you may place your items for the FOOD BANK. The box will be there year round. We ask that you remember the poor in your prayers and donate to the food bank as you are able.**

- **Anyone who would like to donate yarn to the Prayer Shawl Group of Central Queens United Church it would be greatly appreciated. The Prayer Shawl Group makes shawls to give to folks in retirement homes, hospital and new mothers etc..**

- **You can Sponsor Sunday Bulletin Covers for 2017: United Church Sunday bulletin covers are a great addition to our worship services, providing excellent photos, liturgy, and reflections by United Church people. Congregation members are invited to sponsor a week of bulletins to honour a special day/event or to offer a memorial for a deceased loved one and to help cover the costs of bulletins for our church. The sign-up sheet is on the table outside the sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00 per Sunday.**

- **Central Queens United Church Cookbook - Anyone who would like to buy one or more of our new cookbooks, please call Karla 964-2221 or 393-9071. These cookbooks would make a great wedding gift, bridal shower gift, birthday gift or even a gift to save for your children when they venture out into the world on their own.**

- **We invite you to take some quiet time to prepare for worship by reading these lessons. Next week Lectionary Readings are: August 20 – *Eleventh after Pentecost* - Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133 (Voices United 856); Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28**

- **FUND SCRIP – Janet will be set up before church each Sunday selling gift cards with a variety of cards on hand. Anyone who would like to learn more about the program she will be happy to answer your questions. Sears cards are not available at this time. Anyone who wish to pay by e-transfer – we are now set up to accept e-transfer.**

- **We are looking for Volunteers to sign up for our After Church Luncheon and Tea. Anyone who can help out please sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary. Thank You.**

- **Gena Yeo is going on a Work and Witness Mission Trip to Rwanda in November. Gena pays her own way, but she is required to fund raise for materials needed for the project the group will work on while there. If you would like to help her, help them by giving a Love Offering please put your donation into the Rwanda Box. Any donation over \$10 is tax deductible, so please include your full name and complete address. Thank you**

- **August 13th - Sunday – 7:00 p.m. – Central Queens United Church invites you to attend 12 months of activities to celebrate our 10th Anniversary. August's activity is a Outdoor Song Service. Jericho Road and Judy McGregor and Joan Reeves will be performing. Bring your chairs or sit in your car. Rain or shine!**

- **August 17<sup>th</sup> -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – Rosewood Service to be led by the United Church Men.**

- **Special Music for August – September 10<sup>th</sup>**

August 20 – Christine Belanger and Cindy Easter

August 27 – Julie Mills

September 3 – Kirk Neville

September 10 – Helena Stead, Nancy Rackham, and Janet Stead

- **August 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday – 7:30 p.m. – Dino Dunsford & Friends Concert to be held at Central Queens United Church.**

#### **-COMMUNITY EVENTS-**

- **Church Mouse Thrift Shop: The Church Mouse Thrift Shop, St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church, 391 Nelson Street (TCH), Crapaud, will be open on Friday and Saturdays from 9:00 am – Noon, from June - October. . Something for everyone: books, CDs, men's, women's and children's clothing, home furnishings, dishes, collectables and much more! For information please contact: Connie at [902-658-2333](tel:902-658-2333) or Heather at [902-658-3162](tel:902-658-3162).**

- **August 13<sup>th</sup> -- Sunday – 7 p.m. – The Ladies of Distinction – A Tribute Concert are performing at the Stanley Bridge Center. If you have any questions call Murdoch Morrisson at 902-963-2435.**

- **August 22<sup>nd</sup> – Tuesday - . 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. -- St. John's Anglican Church Blueberry Social to be held at Milton Community Hall, Rustico Road. Adults 10.00 children under 12. \$5.00. Sandwiches and sweets**