

**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: Let us rejoice, a new day has begun, and we are here together to celebrate.

**People:** We know the beauty of God's creation and the wonder of the human family. We remember those whose love has shaped our lives and those who struggle for justice and peace is unending.

Leader: We gather in this special church to worship God, to share prayers and gifts, to pledge ourselves to God's work in our community and world.

**People:** May God bless us, so that what we do in this time together may be sincere, sacred, and filled with hope and love.

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

**Prayer Of Approach: (Unison)**

We greet You, welcoming God, with our many morning moods.

Some of us were here in lots of time, some of us just made it.

Some of us know exactly why we've come; others are not so sure.

Yet, something calls us here to seek direction and purpose for our daily lives. Grant that this hour of worship may open our eyes and hearts to Your constant presence.

May forgiveness, love, hope, joy and faith become more than words.

Because You have shown us how much You love us in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus we are here. Thanks for such amazing grace which enables us to be here in our faith journey today. May we experience Your love anew O God, and may our heartfelt love for You and one another enliven us today and always- so be it!!

**Hymn:** # 271 "There's A Wideness in God's Mercy"

**Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 67 VU Page 786

**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:** # 567 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

**Prayer of Confession & Renewal:**

**Assurance Of Pardon:**

**Special Music:** Cindy Easter & Christine Belanger

**-LISTENING TO THE WORD-**

**First Scripture Reading:** Scripture: Isaiah 56: 1, 6-8

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 15: 10-20

**Sermon:** Sermon: "Have A Heart"

**-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-**

**Special Music:** Cindy Easter & Christine Belanger

**Presentation of Our Gifts To God:**

(Choir sings as gifts are received)

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

Blessed are You, O God, for the abundance of mercies that grace our lives and enable us to share. We offer these gifts as an expression of gratitude for all that we have received. What we offer now we dedicate to this church and its mission.

We also offer our grateful commitment to try each day to live with appreciation and joy.

With Christ, through Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all creation can be healed.

May each one of us be a part of that healing process as we give. Amen.

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

**Hymn:** # 580 "Faith Of Our Fathers"

**Commissioning & Benediction: (Unison) A usable table grace.**

Be gentle when you touch bread, as we remember the Son,  
Who blessed the loaves and fishes feeding everyone.

The One born in Bethlehem, Hebrew for "house of bread",  
The "Bread of life" to those who are led.

Be gentle with each other and receive the gift,

The love of Jesus is sure to uplift.

As we have received, so shall we give,

Peace, hope and love within us forever shall live.

**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:**



Today's Bulletin Are Placed  
In Loving Memory  
Of My Mother  
Thelma Smallwood  
Lovingly Remembered  
By  
Rev. Barbara Wagner & Family

**-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 Cindy Easter and Christine Belanger for their 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 27 – *Twelfth after Pentecost* - Exodus 1:8-2:10; Psalm 124 (Voices United 848); Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

- **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

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

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.

- September 14, 15 & 16 – Dinner Theatre Team Work Schedule

Team 3 – Set up and Clean Up;

Team 4 - Thursday Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>

Team 5 - Friday, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>

Team 2 - Saturday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

- September 21<sup>st</sup> -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – Rosewood Service to be led by the United Church Women (Queens Group).

-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 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday – 7 p.m. -- Ceilidh is planned for Kelly's Cross Community Centre. For a list of guest entertainers see the Guardian's, "Don't Miss This", in Friday's issue of the Guardian.

- 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

- August 28<sup>th</sup> – Monday – 7:30 p.m. -- Winsloe United Church Ceilidh. Host Dino Dunsford will be welcoming special guests Kelly Mooney and young fiddler Luka Hall. Admission is \$10 at the door with doors opening at 6:30 p.m.