

**Central Queens Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada**

**June 28, 2020**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Fourth after Pentecost**

**Central Queens Mission Statement**

**Central Queens United Church is a loving and living community called to support the life stages of all people; celebrating joy and sharing in pain. Through faith and fellowship we are united by God's love to live and serve as Disciples of Christ.**

**Gathering for Worship**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Birthdays and Special Occasions**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Quiet Preparation for Worship**

**Introit**            "Let Us Build a House"            MV #1, v. 1

**Call to Worship**

God calls into our midst those who are beloved  
in all their diversity.

**We welcome them.**

God calls into our midst all those who are vulnerable,  
in need of teaching, healing, shelter.

**We welcome them.**

God calls into our midst all those with a word of challenge

that proclaims God's kin-dom for all.

**We welcome them.**

Let us worship God, who calls us to be  
"prophets of welcome".

**Alleluia!**

**Hymn** "Come In, Come In and Sit Down" VU #395

### **Prayer of Approach**

**God of grace, God of forgiveness, you welcome us with arms open wide. No matter where we are, who we are, no matter our age or colour or anything else, you welcome us. You welcome me. So, let us come to you, from our couches and chairs, from our kitchens and decks, wherever or whoever we may be, to worship and honour you, Holy God. Amen.**

*Let us say the prayer that Jesus shared with his disciples of all ages and places...*

### **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy Kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth,  
as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **Psalm 13**

How long, O Lord? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me? How long must I bear pain in my soul, and have sorrow in my heart all day long? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me? Consider and answer me, O Lord my God! Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death, and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed"; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken. But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord, because he has dealt bountifully with me.

## **Hymn**

### **All God's Children**

#### **Presentation of Our Gifts**

### **Offertory Invitation**

Many people give to our church, in many different ways. All are welcome, and all are important to the work of the church. People give their time, talent, and treasure. Even though we are trying new ways of being the church these days, we still get bills to pay. As our friend Greg would say, "Give as you feel called; give as you feel able."

### **Offertory**

What Can I Do?

MV #191

### **Presentation of Offering**

### **Offertory Prayer**

**Generous God, we thank you for all the blessings you bestow on us. We humbly ask now for your blessing on these gifts we return to you. We know that, no matter the form, the gift is welcome. May our blessed gifts further the work of your church for all people. Amen.**

## **Listening for the Word**

### **Sacred Reading**

#### **Matthew 10:40-42**

"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

**Anthem**      "You Raise Me Up"

### **Sermon**

### **Pastoral Prayer**

Holy God, we come before you in prayer to remember your people. We name your people as we are able.

We remember the farmers on the fields and the fishing people on the waters.

We remember the workers who have continued to work.

We remember the people who have lost work.

We remember the people who have lost their feeling of comfort, and are now living with anxiety and uneasiness.

We remember the people who wait anxiously for a diagnosis, and those who receive unwelcome news.

We remember the unwelcomed.

We remember the thirsty.

We remember ourselves.

Oh Lord, no doubt there are people we have forgotten but you will surely remember them. You are our helper, our refuge, our comfort. You welcome us all, even those who do not seek you. Grant us all your merciful grace and everlasting love, today and always. Amen.

## **Responding to the Word**

**Hymn**      “Praise the Lord with Sound of Trumpet”    VU #245

### **Blessing**

We have gathered together in worship; now we go our separate ways. Go carefully, daringly, into the world. Be the welcome, be the kindness, be the help your neighbour, or the stranger, needs. Go daringly, carefully, into the world, knowing the love, the welcome of God goes with you, every step, every roll of the way. Go in peace and in faith. Amen.

**Choral Benediction**      “Go Now in Peace”

### **Postlude**

#### ***Call to Worship***

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#### ***Sermon Resource***

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