

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
April 11, 2021 – 10:30 am
Second Sunday of Easter

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.

The Community Gathers

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

*Introit You Are Holy MV#45 x3

***Call to Worship**

At the beginning of the day, at the beginning of the week, the faithful yet fearful people gathered together. It was then that the Spirit of God came among them and whispered:

Peace be with you.

Their hearts skipped a beat as they double checked that the lock on the front door was still latched. So the Presence of God spoke a little louder:

Peace be with you.

They looked around at each other, puzzled, amazed, befuddled, and bewildered. Some smiled. Some doubted. Some wondered if

it were just too magical sounding or too good to be true. So the Christ showed them that his own scars were not the end of the story and that is when the words of God began to feel joyous:

Peace be with you.

From that day on, the people of God repeated the words to one another when they gathered. From one generation to the next, they exchanged the words as a greeting to one another to remember that Holy interruption to fear:

Peace be with you!

*Hymn Christ Is Alive VU #158

Prayer of Approach

**God of new life,
we come to you, rejoicing in the mystery of the Risen Christ,
present among us always, even when we least expect him.
We marvel at your constant love,
your victory over evil and death,
and your resurrecting hope which embraces us in every
circumstance.
Trusting in these gifts, we seek to live as Easter people in every
place and time.
Strengthen us with the gift of your Holy Spirit in this time of
worship,
and bless us with your peace through Christ, our Risen Lord.**

With Jesus, we share in the ancient prayer. . .

Hymn Jesus Love Me VU #365 vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

Hymn Jesus Loves Me VU #365 vs 3

Listening for God's Word

Sacred Readings

Acts 4:32-35

Psalm 133 VU #856

John 20:19-31

Anthem

Sermon

Hymn Joy Comes with the Dawn VU #166

Responding to God's Word

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands VU #537

*Presentation of Offering

*Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn Dance With The Spirit MV #156 x3

*Blessing 2 Corinthians 13:14

Choral Amen

Choral Benediction

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Ministers

All of us

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Rev Greg Davis

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9 am – 12 pm

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Warm Welcome to All – We are glad you are here as a visitor, a seeker, someone looking for a new church home, or as a regular worshiper. All are welcome.

Today's Bulletins are placed in loving memory of Martha Carver and Archie Vickerson. Presented by Walter & Pat Carver & family.

Welcoming New Members & Covenanting Elders – Next Sunday, April 18th, we will be welcoming new members to Central Queens United and we will be covenanting our elders.

Life and Work of Our Church

Greg's Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am – 12 pm. If anyone is in the hospital or would like a visit from Greg, please call him at 902-964-2291. If you wish to meet with Greg outside the scheduled hours, please call 902-964-2291 or email minister@cquc.ca for an appointment.

In-Church Services: Registration is **required**. To registration, please call 902-964-2221 or email office@cquc.ca. Masks **are required**. If you are registering **after 12 pm Thursday**, please text or call Velda at 902-940-7674.

Community News

Pop Can Pull Tabs – George Mason is one among several who collect their pop can pull tabs for charity. Once he has filled a bottle or box with these tabs, he delivers them to a member of the Daughters of the Nile women's organization. The Daughters of the Nile sell them to a Halifax dealer, and the funds then go to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal where they are used to buy reading materials for the children in the hospital. George would be happy to be the local contact for your can tab collections. Just bring them to him here at the church.

E-Transfers – Central Queens United Church is now set up to accept E-Transfers. If you wish to give your offerings through E-Transfer, please send via email to veldabertram@gmail.com.

Bookworms United – The April meeting for Bookworms United will be held on Wednesday, April 28th, at 10:30 pm. The book that will be discussed is THE BEST KIND OF PEOPLE by Zoe Whittall.

FundScrip –Next order date will be April 18th. You can reach Janet by email (jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. E-transfers accepted.

Central Queens Emmaus Walkers – Come join us as we walk and chat every Thursday at 12 pm. Please check Facebook each week to see where we will be meeting. All are welcome.

Food Bank –Please remember to continue your support for the Food Bank with non-perishable food items. You can drop them off any Sunday or during the week in the wooden box at the church entrance.

Weekly Bulletins can be sponsored by you in celebration or remembrance of a loved one. There is a signup sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00.

Camp Abeqweit will be having its annual meeting on Tuesday, April 20th, at 6:30 pm. It will be held at the North Bedeque United Church, 31 Clark Rd, North Bedeque. Registration is required by this Friday, April 16th. Fifty (50) people are able to attend. For more information and to register, contact Sharon Howatt at vshowatt@pei.sympatico.ca.

Hospice PEI – April 16th is National Advance Care Planning Day in Canada, a day to promote conversations about your wishes and values for your future health care. *Advance Care Planning: An Essential Conversation for Everyone!* To make your Advance Care Plan visit www.advancecareplanningpei.ca or call: 902-620-3219 or email: icdawson@ihis.org. #ACPDAY2021 #ACPinCanada



The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

You ask me how I know it's true
that there is a living God.
A God who rules the universe –
the sky, the sea, the sod –
A God who holds all creatures
in the hollow of His hand,
A God who put infinity in one tiny grain of sand,
A God who made the seasons –
winter, summer, fall and spring –
And put His flawless rhythm into each created thing,
A God who hangs the sun out slowly
with the break of day
And gently takes the stars in and puts the night away,
A God whose mighty handiwork defies the skill of man,
For no architect can alter God's perfect master plan.
What better answers are there to prove His holy being
Than the wonders all around us
that are ours just for the seeing.
By: Helen Steiner Rice