

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
July 18, 2021 – 10:30 am
Eighth Sunday 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.

The Community Gathers

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

*Introit I Can Feel You Near Me God MV #48

*Call to Worship

In moments of anxiety, God leads us to still waters.
O God, we come to you.

In moments of confusion, God leads us in right paths.
O God, we come to hear your voice.

In moments of loneliness, God is with us.
O God, we come into your presence, seeking your love.

In all our moments, God is with us.
So we come to praise the One who restores our lives.

*Hymn Let Us Build a House MV #1

Prayer of Approach

God our Maker,
in summer we easily marvel at the world you have made,
the colours of sunrise and sunset filling the horizon,
the intricate beauty of flower gardens and natural parks,
the quiet dignity of a river in its course,
and the steadfast presence of a rock face carved over time.
You show us how each small piece of your creation
depends in many ways on all the others.
Summer growth depends on spring rains;
health for each creature depends on the wise balance
you have set between each species;
the quality of life on the respect we show one another.
Wise and patient God, we marvel at the world you love.
Our worship joins the songs of all creation to bring you praise,
honouring you and the relationships you have set between us
all, through Christ, firstborn of all creation.

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

Hymn Give Me Oil in My Lamp vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

Hymn Give Me Oil in My Lamp vs 3 & 4

Listening for God's Word

Sacred Readings

Ephesians 2:11-22

Psalm 23

VU #749

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to God's Word

Offertory Invitation

*Offertory Grant Us, God, the Grace VU #540

*Presentation of Offering

*Offertory Prayer

God of goodness and growth, receive our gifts and our gratitude for the fruitfulness you provide. Bless our gifts with your Spirit so that they may accomplish more than we can ask or imagine, for the sake of Christ, our Friend and Saviour. Amen.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn I Feel the Winds of God VU #625

*Blessing

The presence of God reaches beyond this place...
May the flame that has brightened our time together
warm our hearts, light our paths,
**and inspire our vision, as we once again
go our separate ways.**

Walk well your journey in peace and in justice.
May you be wrapped in the shawl of God's loving.
May you be cherished.
May you be blessed.
Amen. May it be so.

*Choral Benediction When You Walk from Here VU #298 x3

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Ministers

All of us

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9 am – 12 pm

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A Warm Welcome to All – We are delighted you've joined us. May God's word today strengthen your faith, inspire curiosity and learning, and motivate your service of others. All are welcome.

Sympathy – Sympathies are extended to Bernie & Pat Dykerman, Gerald Dykerman and families on the loss of their brother, Robin Dykerman.

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.

Bulletin Covers – In an effort to use up our current supply, over the next few Sundays a combination of two different bulletin covers will be used for our bulletins.

Special Official Board Meeting – A special Official Board meeting will be held on Sunday, July 25th, after the worship service. The agenda item is a request from the North Wiltshire Cemetery Committee to lease a portion of the cemetery to the community to erect a memorial stone.

FundScrip –Next order date will be July 25th. You can reach Janet by email (jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. E-transfers accepted.

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

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

Central Queens Emmaus Walkers – Central Queens Emmaus Walkers will be taking a break over the summer. See you in September!!

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.

Bookworms United will be on recess until September 4th. More details to follow in August.

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.

Pop Can Pull Tabs – George Mason is collecting pop can pull tabs which are then given to the Daughters of the Nile women's organization. The funds then go to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal where they are used to buy reading materials for the children in the hospital. Your can tab collections can be dropped off here at the church.

Bulletin Deadline – Deadline for items to be placed in the bulletin is **Wednesday** evening. Bulletin items can be emailed to office@cquc.ca.

Community News

From Camp Abby Board - Thank you to all who responded to our Camp Abby wish list for this year. We now have everything on the list. Campers and staff have been enjoying your generosity through the first week of the season.

Of course other needs will pop up through the season. If you wish to donate toward those needs, you can e-transfer to etransfer@campabby.ca

May your summer have some camping time!

GOD'S LOVE IS A HAVEN IN THE STORMS OF LIFE

God's love is like an island
in life's ocean, vast and wide,
A peaceful, quiet shelter from the restless, rising tide.

God's love is like a fortress,
and we seek protection there
When the waves of tribulation
seem to drown us in despair.

God's love is like sanctuary
where our souls can find sweet rest
From the struggle and the tension
of life's fast and futile quest.

God's love is like a tower rising far above the crowd,
And God's smile is like the sunshine
breaking through the threatening cloud.

God's love is like a beacon
burning bright with faith and prayer,
And through all the changing scenes of life
we can find a haven there.

By: Helen Steiner Rice



