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Scripture

Let us hear the message of scripture. There are different ways of serving, but the same God is served. There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God who gives ability to each of us. The Spirit's present is shown in some way in each person for the good of all. Christ is like a single body which has many parts. If one part of the body suffers, all the other parts suffer with it; if one part is praised, all the other parts share its happiness. All of us are Christ body, and each one is a part of it.
I Corinthians 12

Statement of Purpose

Friends, we celebrate with joy and gratitude that you have been called by God, and chosen by the people of Central Queens United Church faith community for leadership in the church. This ministry is a blessing, an honor and a responsibility. It recognizes your special gifts and calls you to work among us, with us and on our behalf. We thank you and challenge you to offer your best to God, and to all God's people.

Questions and Promises

As you come to assume the duties of your office, let us make a covenant before God and with one another.

to the elders / leaders / officers

As a disciple of Jesus the Christ, will you continue to live out your faith with praise and Thanksgiving? Will you carry out your responsibilities as an Elder in this congregation with integrity and joy?

I will, God being my helper.

to the congregation

Will you, the members of Central Queens United Church, honour the leadership of these people? Will you assist them through daily prayer, generous support and personal example, so that, together, we may be a faithful Church of Jesus the Christ?

We will, God being our helper.

Prayer

Loving God, you have called these people to serve you. Send your Holy Spirit upon them and upon us all that we may keep the promises we have made today. Help them to fulfill their responsibilities. May their leadership help us all to reflect your love and grace always. Amen