

Central Queens Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada  
October 15, 2023 – 10:30 am  
Twentieth 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.*

Gathering for Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Welcome in the name of the Christ.

**Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the unceded traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people.**

Welcome to this place of retreat and refuge, worship, and wonder.

**It is good to be here.**

It is good to be together.

Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Bible Presentation (*Placed during the singing of the Introit*)

\*Introit                      Rise Up, Rise Up                      MV #130

\*Call to Worship

We gather in God's holy presence, where we are embraced with grace.

**Here God will transform us into disciples.**

We praise God, who yearns for justice for the last and the least.

\*Call to Worship (continued)

**Here God will write compassion on our hearts.**

We give thanks to God for God's persistent love that seeks us out.

**Here God will breathe the Word of Life into our lives, and so we will praise our God!**

\*Hymn                      We Praise You, O God                      VU #218

Prayer of Approach

**God of all time and space, you have called people to meet you over the centuries, in many different places, in many different ways. We praise you for welcoming us and receiving us as we are. You hear our prayers and claim us as your own. In this hour of worship, send your Spirit upon us to enliven our faith and guide our footsteps in the way of Life.**

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

Responsive Reading - Psalm 23                      VU #749

\*Hymn      This Little Light of Mine      All God's Children Sing vs 1,2 &3

All God's Children

\*Hymn      This Little Light of Mine      All God's Children Sing vs 4 & 5

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

\* Presentation of Offering      We Will Take What You Offer      MV #196

\*Offertory Prayer

**Generous God, we offer you part of the abundance you share with us. Bless our gifts and work through them, so that others will know your generosity and be touched by your love through the kindness we can offer in Jesus' name. Amen.**

## Listening for the Word

### Sacred Scripture

Exodus 32:1-14

Matthew 22:1-14

### Anthem

### Sermon

### Reflective Music

## Responding to the Word

### Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

\*Hymn Your Hand, O God, Has Guided VU #274

### \*Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

### \*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction Deep in Our Hearts MV #154

### Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able

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9 am – 12 pm

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

**Today's Bulletins** are placed in loving memory of Ivan, Helena, & Kathryn Bowman. Lovingly remembered by Doug & June MacEachern & Family.

## 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](mailto:minister@cquc.ca) for an appointment.

**FundScrip** – Janet will be placing an order today. The next order date is Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. You can reach Janet Howes by email [jhowes1969@gmail.com](mailto:jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.

**FundScrip**

**E-Transfers** – Central Queens United Church is set up to accept e-transfers. If you prefer to give your offerings through e-transfer, please send via email to [veldabertram@gmail.com](mailto:veldabertram@gmail.com).

**Sunday School** will be resuming next Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Anyone who can help with this important ministry, please contact Greg at 902-964-2291 or by email at [minister@cquc.ca](mailto:minister@cquc.ca). Help us to continue this very important ministry.

**Confirmation Classes** – Anyone who is 14 years or older who is interested in confirmation classes, please contact Greg at 902-964-2291 or by email at [minister@cquc.ca](mailto:minister@cquc.ca).

**Rosewood Service** this Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm. The UCW will assist Greg in leading the service.

**Annual Fall Rost Beef Take-Out Supper** – Central Queens United Church is holding their annual Fall take-out Hot Rost Beef Supper on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. A tasty hot roast beef supper with all the trimmings including scrumptious homemade desserts! Ticket prices: \$18/adult, \$7/child (6-12 yrs old), free for preschoolers. There will be three (3) take-out times: 3:30 pm, 4:30 pm, and 5:30 pm. Tickets **must be ordered in advance** by calling Debbie at 902-964-2882 or Lois at 902-621-0669. **\*\*\*Please Note:** This dinner is take-out only. Customers are asked remain in their vehicles. Tickets will be collected and meals will be delivered to your car.

**Trunk & Treat** will be held on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>. Dress up your vehicle and yourself and bring along some treats to share. We will open our trunks after the worship service and enjoy “Trunk & Treat”!!

**Scent-Free** – “No scents make good sense”

Please refrain from wearing scented products such as perfume, cologne, and fragrant personal care products as they can trigger serious health issues for those with fragrance allergies. Thank you for your cooperation so that everyone can attend our church.

**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.

**“Sounds of Christmas”** – You are invited to enjoy the “Sounds of Christmas” with Kirk Neville, Bonnie LaFrance and Friends on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7 pm here at Central Queens United Church. Come and get into the spirit of Christmas!

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

**Pop Can Pull Tabs** – Remember your 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 go to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal where they are used to buy reading materials for children in the hospital. Your pull tab collections can be dropped off at the church. Thank you.

**Puzzle Exchange** – There is a cart in the foyer with lots of jigsaw puzzles. Help yourself to a puzzle and/or bring one for someone to do. Making puzzles is a wonderful activity.

### Community News

**Winsloe United Church Ceilidh** tonight, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm. Host Jacinta MacDonald welcomes special guest Tip-Er-Back and guest fiddler Steven Perry. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.

**Dive Deeper - Spring Park Discussion Group** – Sign up for this 6-part series which started last Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Boardroom. Academy Award winner Morgan Freeman explores the meaning of life, God, and many big questions in between in an effort to understand how religion has evolved and shaped society. For more information, please call the church office at 902-368-1822 or email [springparkunitedchurch.ca](mailto:springparkunitedchurch.ca).

**Wheatley River Country Craft Fair** will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 2 pm at the Wheatley River Community Hall, 16 Rackham Ln. Admission: \$2; 50-50 Tickets. Two levels of vendors.

**PEI Protestant Children’s Trust Fall Scholarship** – Deadline for applications is October 31<sup>st</sup>. This scholarship is for a PEI Protestant student (regardless of denomination) to attend Holland College and could be up to \$4000 per recipient. Applications are accepted online only through the [Community Foundation of PEI Application Portal](#). Important dates, answers to frequently asked questions and a direct link to the application portal can be found on the website at [www.cfpei.ca/apply/scholarships/](http://www.cfpei.ca/apply/scholarships/). Any questions about the Community Foundation of PEI or the scholarship, please email [ebourgeois@cfpei.ca](mailto:ebourgeois@cfpei.ca) or phone 902-892-3440 (main line) or Emma Bourgeois at 802-200-8567.

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**Rural Routes Through the Holy Day Away (RRTH)** on November 18<sup>th</sup>,  
from 10 am – 3 pm (coffee & muffins @ 9:30) at St Ann's  
Anglican Church in Westcock, NB (near Sackville).  
Presentations, conversations, worship, and nourishment.  
Registration is \$25, including the meal. Register through the  
Rural Routes Through the Holy Facebook page, at  
[www.hemofthelight.com](http://www.hemofthelight.com), at <https://hemofthelight.com/registration-rural-routes-day-away-2023/>, or by calling Catherine at 506-536-0216

### **LIGHT OF THE WORLD, BRIGHT MORNING STAR ...**

Your love is the sunrise

that makes all our days new,

that lights the soul

and shines a beacon on tomorrow.

There is no darkness in the heart

where your love lives, Lord,

no shadows dimming the horizon of today

or days to come.

Your grace and goodness, ever new,

bring light and hope to all of life.

We lift our hearts in thankful prayers

and joyful praise.

*By: B.J. Hoff*

*"He is like the light of morning at sunrise." 2 Samuel 23:4*