

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
October 22, 2023 – 10:30 am

Twenty-First 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 Come Touch Our Hearts MV #12 vs 3

*Call to Worship

Let us sing to the Lord a new song.

We will bless God's name from day to day.

Let us declare God's marvelous deeds among all the people;

For God is great and greatly to be praised.

*Call to Worship (continued)

Let us praise God for God's strength and beauty.

We will bring God honour and glory as we worship God's holy name.

*Hymn Praise to the Lord, the Almighty VU #220

Prayer of Approach

Revealing God, you show us the way of life, lead us with love, and move us to compassion. May our hearts be transformed by your Spirit and by your Truth. Let our actions and attitudes demonstrate your kin-dom. May justice and peace be our hope. Let repair, restoration, and reconciliation be our aim. Make your presence among us known. Let us prepare to receive it. Amen.

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

Responsive Reading - Psalm 99 Paraphrase

*Hymn I Love to Tell the Story VU #343 vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

*Hymn I Love to Tell the Story VU #343 vs 3

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

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

*Offertory Prayer

Generous God, we thank you for the gifts we receive and for the gifts we give. May they serve to make your kin-dom come and your will be done. Magnify their impact so that you may be glorified, and your name be praised. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Sacred Scripture

Exodus 33:12-23

Matthew 22:15:22

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to the Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn Be Thou My Vision VU #642

*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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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 Muriel Lajeunesse. Lovingly remembered by Lois and family.

Bulletins are also placed in loving memory of Harvey Bertram. Lovingly remembered by Velda, Gregory, Allan, Kimberley and families.

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.

FundScrip – The next order date is Sunday, October 29th. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.

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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.

Sunday School is starting today!! Anyone who can help with this important ministry, please contact Greg at 902-964-2291 or by email at 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@cque.ca. There will be a confirmation information meeting on Sunday, November 5th at 12 noon.

Trunk & Treat will be held next Sunday, October 29th. 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 sign-up 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 3rd, at 7 pm here at Central Queens United Church. Come and get into the spirit of Christmas!

Save the Date!! – On December 17th, at 7 pm the Central Queens Musical Friends will be hosting a Christmas Concert. Come, relax, and enjoy the sounds of the season.

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 on Sunday, October 29th, at 2 pm. Host Dino Dunsford welcomes special guests Keelin Wedge and Christine Cameron. 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 on October 12th. They meet in the boardroom on Thursdays at 7 pm. 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.

The PEI Godly Play Guild meets monthly at Kensington United Church from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon. Upcoming gathering sessions are scheduled for October 28th, November 26th, and January 6th.

The guild was formed 10 years ago and has been attended by various people from across PEI. At this time, they would like to invite any interested persons to join them and experience a glimpse of what Godly Play is all about.

Godly Play is a creative and imaginative approach to faith formation and spiritual development using symbols, objects, silence, and words to explore biblical stories and Christian practices. The program invites participants into stories and encourages them to connect the stories with personal experience. Godly Play is being used in various program situations within the church such as Sunday School for children, Bible Study for adults, and also in settings such as assisted living homes and nursing homes.

Interested in attending on Saturday, October 28th? Email Barb Moase at barb.moase@outlook.com.

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

Bluefield High School Christmas Craft Fair will be held on November 17th from 5:30 – 9 pm and November 18th from 10 am – 5 pm. **All proceeds towards the school’s music program.**

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PEI Protestant Children's Trust Fall Scholarship – Deadline for applications is October 31st. Applications are accepted online only through the [Community Foundation of PEI Application Portal](#). Any questions about the Community Foundation of PEI or the scholarship, please email ebourgeois@cfpei.ca or phone 902-892-3440 (main line) or Emma Bourgeois at 802-200-8567.



Rural Routes Through the Holy Day Away (RRTH) on November 18th, 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, at <https://hemofthelight.com/registration-rural-routes-day-away-2023/>, or by calling Catherine at 506-536-0216

Dear Lord and Father . . .

As your love looks upon us with the acceptance and forgiveness
of the redeeming Christ,
so let us look at one another through your eyes
and see each other as you see us;

Your Church
Your Family
Your Beloved.

Teach us, Lord, to love as you love . . .

Freely
Fully
Unselfishly
Unconditionally.

Fill us with the love of Christ and make us one in you.

By: *B.J. Hoff*

“Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love each other, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.” 1 John 4:11-12