

**Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
October 27, 2024 – 10:30 am**

Twenty-Third 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 indeed good to be together.

Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Bible Presentation *(Placed during the Introit)*

***Introit** Come All You People MV #2

***Call to Worship**

Praise the Lord in every time and place.

We will tell of God's goodness each day.

Boast only in the Lord.

We will praise God's wonderful deeds.

Spread the news of God's greatness.

We will give God glory everywhere we go. So let us worship God together here and now, now and always!

***Hymn** Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying VU #400

Prayer of Approach

Caring God, Loving God, we gather as your people, shaped by the faithfulness of those who went before us and taught us the ways of Jesus. In Christ, you call us together to praise and worship. With the kindness of your Spirit, feed the roots of our faith, and renew our vision for the church in this generation. Fill us with courage and confidence to reach out to others sharing kindness, mercy and grace, as you did.

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

Responsive Reading – Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22 VU #761-762

***Hymn** Jesus, Friend of Little Children VU #340 vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

Hymn Jesus, Friend of Little Children VU #340 vs 3

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

***Presentation of Offering**

***Offertory** What Can I Do? MV #191

***Offertory Prayer**

Good and Gracious God, we bring our offering in gratitude for all that makes our lives good, even in uncertain times. Bless these gifts with your Spirit and use them through the ministry and mission of our Church to touch lives in need of your goodness, in Jesus' name. Amen

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Sacred Scripture

Job 42:1-6,10-17
Mark 10:46-52

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to the Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness VU #375

***Extinguishing of the Christ Candle**

***Benediction**

*Choral Benediction You Shall Go Out with Joy VU #884

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Ministers

All of us

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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. If you are looking for a church home, we would like to invite you to consider us your spiritual family. All are welcome in this place.

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.

Sunday School Leader & Helpers are Needed – We are looking for someone to lead Sunday School and others to help out. Please contact the church office if you can help with this very important ministry.

Trunk & Treat – We will be opening our trunks after the worship service today and enjoying the fun of Trunk and Treat.

FundScrip – Janet will be placing an order today. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted. The next order date is Sunday, November 10th.

Scents-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.

Annual Fall Roast Beef Take-Out Supper on Saturday, November 2nd. A tasty hot roast beef supper with all the trimmings including a delicious dessert! Three (3) take-out times: 3:30 pm, 4:30 pm & 5:30 pm. Tickets: \$20/adult; \$7/youth (6-12 yrs); and free for children 5 yrs and under. Tickets should be purchased in advance by calling Debbie at 902-964-2882 or Lois at 902-621-0669. **NOTE:** This is a take-out meal only. Customers' meals will be delivered to their cars after their tickets have been collected at their vehicles. We appreciate your continuing support. Bon Appetit!

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.

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.

Office Church Directory – In an effort to keep contact information as up to date as possible, please give Trudy any changes to your contact information. If you would like to be added to our directory, please contact Trudy at office@cquc.ca or you can call her during office hours at 902-964-2221. Thank you.

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

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

Puzzle/Book Exchange – Be sure to check out the wide variety of books and puzzles available in the main hall. Help yourself to a puzzle and/or book or bring some of your own to share!!

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

Community News

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Sunday, November 3rd, at 2 pm. Host Jacinta MacDonald welcomes special guests Louise and Jonathan Arsenault. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.

Wheatley River Country Craft Fair will be held this Saturday, November 2nd and Sunday, November 3rd, from 9 am – 2 pm at the Wheatley River Community Hall, 16 Rackham Ln. Admission: \$2. Two Floors of Island Artists selling goods such as: woodworking, preserves, knits, crafts, paintings, fresh greenery, candles, baked goods, natural beeswax items, rustic artwork and much more. 50/50 tickets available.

Book Launch – Rev. Dr. Karen MacLeod-Wilkie invites you to celebrate with her the launch of her sixth book "Isle of the Dawning Sun". It begins a new series, but her other works of inspirational fiction and fantasy fiction will also be available for purchase and signing (cash or e-transfer). Cake and coffee will be offered at the launch, Sunday, November 3rd, from 2 -4 pm at Karen's home (1561 Route 225, North Wiltshire). Bring a friend and share the news so we can celebrate together.

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90th Birthday Celebration – Join Gloria Fullerton, an active UCC person on PEI, and her family on Saturday, November 9th, at West River United Church Hall (Cornwall) from 2 – 5 pm to celebrate her 90th birthday. All are welcome. No gifts please. You are welcome to bring a donation for the Food Bank in lieu of a gift.

Bluefield High School Craft Fair - Bluefield High School is happy to announce that their Christmas Craft Fair will be held on Friday, November 15th, from 5:30 pm – 9 pm, and Saturday, November 16th, from 10 am – 5 pm. Over 100 vendors will be present with Christmas decorations, pottery, fibre arts, candles, jewelry and more! There will be a bake sale, canteen with hot cider, and many door prizes and raffles. Please join them at 924 Colville Rd-Rte 9 in Hampshire. Admission is #3 and children under 12 are free. Shop local and support your Island communities.

As part of their fundraising efforts, Bluefield Band will also be selling vouchers for poinsettias at the Craft Fair. Vouchers will cost \$25 (cash) and buyers will then go to VK Greenhouses (formerly known as VanKampens, 58 Allen St, Charlottetown) to choose and pick up their poinsettias. In addition, there will be an opportunity to purchase poinsettias online to support the band (details to be confirmed).

*Life is a highway on which the years go by,
Sometimes the road is level, sometimes the hills are high.
But as we travel onward to a future that's unknown,
We can make each mile we travel a heavenly stepping stone!*
By: Helen Steiner Rice