

Gathering for Worship

CENTRAL QUEENS UNITED CHURCH

February 8, 2026 – 10:30 am

Fifth Sunday After Epiphany



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.

Prelude

Greeting

O magnify the Lord with me,
let us exalt God's name together!
Christ is with us
Christ is in our midst.

Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We describe the action of light in a variety of ways:

Light that clarifies;
Light that warns us of danger;
Light that guides our footsteps;
Light that reveals our future;
Light that calms our fears;
Light that offers insights.

As we gather in worship, we light this Christ candle. A reminder that Jesus Christ is with us as the light of the world.

Quiet Preparation for Worship

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

***Introit** Come, O Holy Spirit MV #23 vs 1

***Call to Worship**

The Living Word speaks:
Offering nourishment for growing life
Pointing towards the narrow gate
Firming up our foundation

***Call to Worship** (Continued)

The Living Word calls:

**Do unto others...without making it about you
Use your energy where it matters, for good
Be doers of the word, not only hearers.**

The Living Word promises:

**Seek God’s kingdom and you will find,
God is the giver of every good gift
Building up in love creates a new world.**
Come to hear and follow the Living Word.

***Hymn** Like a Rock MV #92 x 3

Centering Prayer

Sharing the Word

***Hymn** I’m Gonna Live so God Can Use Me VU #575 vs 1 & 2

Time for all who are Young at Heart

Hymn I’m Gonna Live so God Can Use Me VU #575 vs 3 & 4

Children may retire to Sunday School

Sung Prayer of Illumination Open Our Hearts MV #21

Scripture I Corinthians 2:1-12 *Wisdom through God’s spirit.*

Responsive Reading – Psalm 112 VU #834

Scripture Matthew 5:13-20 *You are salt; you are light.*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Reflective Music

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Offering

***Presentation of Our Offerings**

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

**In our offering we seek to build on your strong foundation.
In service of your kingdom, we give our skills and talents.
We offer the minutes and hours of our life for your way. We
present the riches of our wallets to ensure your church in
the world. Bless all these gifts, given in your name, that
through them we might see your kingdom come. Amen**

Choir Anthem “I Will Follow Him”

Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer *(on screen)*

Sending Forth into The World

***Hymn** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling VU #333

***Commissioning**

Go from this place to take your part in creating the world
anew,
We will seek the sure foundation.
Since God is good,
We will reflect that goodness into the world
Since God is generous,
We will open our hearts and hands sharing freely
Since God is love,
We will put love into action, weaving care in all we do.
Into the world we go, but we are not alone.

Changing the Light

* Benediction

***Choral Closing** Arise, Your Light Is Come VU #79 vs 4

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

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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.

Thank You to Kirk Neville for leading our worship service and for his beautiful gift of music this morning. *Congregation of Central Queens United Church*

Life and Work of Our Church

Vacation/Study Leave – Greg will be away from till Saturday, February 21st on vacation/study leave. For any emergencies, please contact Bernie Dykerman at 902-626-6869. David Butterworth will be leading us in worship next Sunday, February 15th.

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.

Scripture Readings - The scripture readings selected for next Sunday, February 15th, are:

Exodus 24:12-18 *God calls Moses up the mountain.*

Responsive Reading – Psalm 2 (VU #725) *Serve God with holy fear* or Psalm 99 (VU #819) *God delights in justice.*

2 Peter 1:16-21 *The morning star rises in your hearts.*

Matthew 17:1-9 *Jesus transfigured on the mountain.*

These are made available to you for reading during the upcoming week.

FundScrip – The next order date is February 15th. Please have orders in **no later than Thursday, February 12th**, as Janet will be away after that date. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.

Election of Elders – Each year, four (4) elders retire and four (4) new leaders are elected. Ballots are now available on the table in the foyer. Be sure to pick up your ballot. After you have made your selections, please deposit in the silver ballot box, also in the foyer. Ballot deadline is Sunday, March 1st.

Rosewood Service will be held on Thursday, February 19th, at 6:30 pm. The UCW will be leading the service.

Sunday School Helpers are Needed to assist in our Sunday School ministry. Please contact the church office if you can help with this very important ministry.

Sunday Worship Cancellations – In the event of inclement weather, an announcement will be made by radio on Ocean 100 by 9 am. It will also be posted on our website and Facebook page.

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.

Bulletin Deadline – Deadline for announcements for the bulletin is **Wednesday evening**. Please email your announcement(s) to office@cquc.ca.

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 or need to update your info, please contact Trudy at office@cquc.ca or you can call her during office hours at 902-964-2221.

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.

Puzzles/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!! If you happen to find any missing pieces of puzzles at home, there is a container above the puzzle shelves for these 'lost pieces'.

Pop Can Pull Tabs – Remember your pull tabs!! George Mason is collection pop can pull tab 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 pop can tab collections can be dropped off here at the church. Thank you.

Community Events

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Sunday, February 15th, at 2 pm. Hosts Jacinta MacDonald and the Winsloe House Band welcome special guest, the Langille Family Band. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.

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Park Royal United Church Roast Beef Supper on Valentine's Day! (Saturday, February 14th) Take-Out at 4:30 pm or 5 pm - \$25/adults and \$15/kids 12 & under. Cash, cheque, e-transfer at office@parkroyalunited.ca or may be purchased through Eventbrite (online - <https://www.eventbrite.ca/.../take-out-roast-beef-dinner...>) Please call 902-894-9656 for more information!

The PEI Godly Play Guild meets on Saturday mornings to share information, share a Godly Play story, and discuss it. Godly play is used in many settings such as Sunday School, Church Groups, Seniors Homes and many other settings. The guild has a lending library and a very good selection of materials used to tell the various stories. Anyone is encouraged to attend the gatherings to become familiar with the program. Gatherings for the next two months are March 7th, and April 11th at Kensington United Church. They usually go from 9:30 am to 12:00 noon. All are welcome to attend and find out what the Godly Play program is all about. Should you require more information, please contact Barb Moase (902) 836-3826.

PRINCE OF PEACE . . .

In the rush of the world around me,
let me stand quietly in the shelter of your love . . .

Teach me to be more concerned
about what I am that what I do,
more inclined to pray than to push,
and as eager to worship as I am to work . . .

Fill me, Lord
with peace at the very center of my soul
in whatever circumstances I find myself . . .

Bless me, Lord,
with the peace that comes from knowing
I don't have to struggle to reach you,
I don't have to succeed to please you –
I don't have to do anything but belong to you
and accept the love and peace you want to give.

By: B.J. Hoff

For he himself is our peace . . . Ephesians 2:14