

**Central Queens United Church
Christmas Eve Service
December 24, 2016
Worship Leaders – the Session**

Prelude

Words of Welcome

The Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

Hymn: # 60 “O Come All Ye Faithful”

Prayer of Approach and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: # 67 “Silent Night, Holy Night”

Children’s Time

First Scripture Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

Meditation

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 2:1-7

Special Music

Third Scripture Reading: Luke 2:8-14

Meditation

Hymn: # 91, vv. 1-4 “The First Nowell”

Fourth Scripture Reading: Luke 2:15-20

Meditation

Prayers of Intercession and Thanksgiving

Offering (Musical selection “The Gift”)

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn: # 59 “Joy to the World”

Commissioning and Benediction

Postlude

May the hope, the peace, the joy, and the love represented by the birth in Bethlehem fill your life and become part of all you say and do.

May we all be thankful for the true gift of Christmas, Jesus.

Merry Christmas.

-THE LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH-

- The congregation of Central Queens United Church would like to thank The Session for leading our worship service this evening.

- If you are visiting with us today we welcome you and encourage you to sign our guest book located in the foyer of the building.

- Bible Reading Guides for 2017 – These are provided free by The Canadian Bible Society. You are encouraged to read your Bible daily and 2017 is a good year to begin.

- In event of Inclement Weather an announcement will be made by radio on Ocean 100 by 9 a.m. and it will also be posted on our web-site.

- December 25th -- Sunday – 10:30 a.m. – Christmas Day Service to be held at Central Queens United Church.

- ~January 19th – Thursday – 7:45 p.m. -- Official Board Meeting to be held at Central Queens United Church.

- ~Jan. 26th -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – Presbytery Meeting at Central Queens United Church.

- January 29th – Sunday – After Church -- Annual Meeting will be held at Central Queens United Church. The plan is to do what we usually do - have a potluck meal after the service, and then have the meeting.

-COMMUNITY EVENTS-

- December 27th – Tuesday – 7:30 p.m. – Because of the demand for tickets to the Ladies of the Centuries Christmas Show on Monday, December 12th, which was sold out, we are doing an extra Christmas show on Tuesday, December 27th, starting at 7:30 at Winsloe United Church. Admission is \$10 at the door, but for anyone who had tickets for the December 12th show and were unable to use them, we will honour them at this show.