

Central Queens United Church

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December 31, 2017 – New Year's Eve

(Stand as able \*)

**Prelude:**

**Welcome & Announcements:**

**Birthday's & Special Occasions: (Tune to Happy Birthday)**

We celebrate you, in all that you do

We love you, God bless you.

Let us celebrate you.

**Gathering Music:**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle:**

**\*Call To Worship:**

We come to the cusp of another year.

We await a new year budding with possibilities.

We leave behind a year of both blessings and challenges.

We ask God to help us negotiate endings and beginnings.

As we gather for worship, we welcome God's guiding light.

**Introit:** # 374 vs. 1 "Come Find a Quiet Centre"

**Prayer of Approach:**

**Hymn:** # 36 "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

**Responsive Psalm:** Psalm 148 VU 871

**Time With Youth: (at conclusion children recess for Sunday School)**

Go, Go, Go, with God

Have peace within your heart

Praise and pray every day

Have peace within your heart.

**Presentation of Our Gifts To God:** # 82 "A Light is Gleaming"

(Choir sings as gifts are received)

**\*Offertory Prayer:**

**\*Hymn:** # 68 "All Poor Ones and Humble"

**Prayers of Confession & Renewal:**

With choices and challenges that lie before us,  
we may feel overwhelmed.

With losses and difficulties that lie behind us,  
we may feel heavy with grief.

Take us through the night of our struggles.

Lead us into a new day, one step at a time.

**Assurance of Pardon:**

**Special Music:**

"When Will the Little King Come

**-LISTENING TO THE WORD-**

**First Scripture Reading:** Galatians 4:4-7

This is testimony to the Word of God.

Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 2:22-40

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

**Sermon:**

**Anthem:** "Praises to the Newborn King"

**Prayers of the People:**

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession:**

**The Lord's Prayer:**

**Hymn:** # 59 "Joy to the World"

**-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-**

**Commissioning & Benediction:**

**Choral Benediction:** # 156 (MV) "Dance With the Spirit"

**Postlude:**



Today's Bulletins Are Placed  
In Loving Memory  
Of

Robert Younker

By

Debbie & Colin Younker & Family

**-LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH -**

• **Karla's Office Schedule:** Monday – Thursday 7:30 – 10:00 a.m.  
& Friday 7:30 – 9:30 a.m.... Occasionally schedule may change due to  
appointment or commitments.

• Central Queens would like to thank Kirk Neville for  
leading our worship service this morning.

• 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.

- Please Note that there is a large wooden box in the foyer where you may place your items for the **FOOD BANK**. The box will be there year round. We ask that you remember the poor in your prayers and donate to the food bank as you are able.

- **You can Sponsor Sunday Bulletin Covers for 2018:** United Church Sunday bulletin covers are a great addition to our worship services, providing excellent photos, liturgy, and reflections by United Church people. Congregation members are invited to sponsor a week of bulletins to honour a special day/event or to offer a memorial for a deceased loved one and to help cover the costs of bulletins for our church. The sign-up sheet is on the table outside the sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00 per Sunday.

- **Central Queens United Church Cookbook** - Anyone who would like to buy one or more of our cookbooks, please call Karla 964-2221 or 393-9071. These cookbooks would make a great wedding gift, bridal shower gift, birthday gift or even a gift to save for your children when they venture out into the world on their own.

- **Schedule of Ministers for Sunday Services:**

Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Spencer

Jan. 14<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Spencer

Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> – Rev. Clark

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> – Rev. MacLeod

Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> -- Rev. Spencer

Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> -- Rev. MacLeod

Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> -- Rev. Clark

Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> – Rev. Spencer

- Anyone who would like to donate yarn to the Prayer Shawl Group of Central Queens United Church it would be greatly appreciated. The Prayer Shawl Group makes shawls to give to folks in retirement homes, hospital and new mothers etc...

- **FUND SCRIP** – Janet will be set up before church each Sunday selling gift cards with a variety of cards on hand. Anyone who would like to learn more about the program she will be happy to answer your questions. Tim Horton's has also been added to the program. Anyone who wish to pay by e-transfer – we are now set up to accept e-transfer.

- We are looking for **Volunteers** to sign up for our **After Church Luncheon and Tea**. Anyone who can help out please sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary. Thank You.

- 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.

- **January 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Wednesday – 8:30 p.m. **Choir Practice** to be held at Central Queens United Church.

- **January 7<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday – 10:00 a.m. - **Choir Practice**.

- **January 7<sup>th</sup>** – After Church -- Gena Yeo will be do an approximately 20 minute **presentation on her mission trip to Rwanda**. Everyone welcome.

- **January 13<sup>th</sup>** – Saturday – 9:30 a.m. -- The next meeting of the **Minister's Book Club**. The book is **Hagseed** by Margaret Atwood, a modern retelling of Shakespeare's **The Tempest**. No previous knowledge of Shakespeare required, to enjoy this wonderful story. All are welcome. Contact Liz Spangler 964 2295 for more information.

- **January 14<sup>th</sup>** -- Sunday -- **All Annual Reports** are to be passed into Karla the secretary by Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. Reports can be also be emailed to office@cquc.ca

- **January 18<sup>th</sup>** -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – **Rosewood Service** to be led by the United Church Women (Central).

- **January 18<sup>th</sup>** - Thursday - 7:45 p.m. -- **Official Board meeting** to be held at Central Queens United Church.

- **January 21<sup>st</sup>** - Sunday - after church -- **Congregational Meeting**. The Joint Needs Assessment Committee (JNAC) will present its report. Everyone is welcome.

- **January 28<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday -- **Annual Meeting**. There will be a pot-luck meal following the church service. The Annual Meeting will be held after the meal. Everyone is welcome.

#### -COMMUNITY EVENTS -

- Every Thursday's Night – 6:30p.m. – 7:45 --**Presbyterian Youth Group** to be held at Central Queens Elementary School Gym. Grade 3 and up are all welcome. Come and join the fun.