

Central Queens United Church

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(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:

Introit: # 315 (vs. 1) "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Call To Worship:

One: The shortest chapter in the Bible and its middle chapter as well, is Psalm 117. It reads:

ALL "Praise the Lord, all you nations! Extol God all you peoples! For great is God's steadfast love towards us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord!"

One: We have come here today because our lives have been touched by the presence of God with us and we too wish to praise the Lord

ALL: So let us worship God.

Prayer Of Approach: (unison)

God, your presence surrounds us everywhere. Help us to be sensitive to how you are present here in this place with us as we bring our gift of worship to you. May our praise be genuine, our prayers, heartfelt; and our spirits open to your Holy Spirit here in this place. Amen.

Hymn: # 410 "This Day God Gives Me"

Responsive Reading: Psalm 147 (Part 1) (pg. 868)

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: # 537 "Your Work O Lord Needs Many Hands"

*** Offertory Prayer: (unison)**

Generous and loving God, help us to be a giving people. Help us to be ready to share our time, our energy, and our spirit with others. Please accept these gifts as our act of generosity and use them to build your reign here on earth. Amen.

***Hymn: # 240 VU "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"**

Prayer of Confession & Renewal:

God we come in prayer seeking your forgiveness for the times we have failed to live faithfully and seeking your help to resist the temptations that come to us. When we are tempted to be impatient, help us to be patient. When we are tempted to be unkind, help us to be kind. When we are tempted to be jealous, help us to be tolerant. When we are tempted to be rude or selfish, give us the gift of gentleness. When we are tempted to take offense, help us to let go. Lord, grant that we may take no pleasure in criticizing others, but that we may see good in them, as you do. Help us to be loyal to those you give us to love. In all times God, make us instruments of your love. May we see each circumstance in our lives as opportunities to grow in your love. We ask all of this in the name of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

-LISTENING TO THE WORD-

First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:25-34

Sermon: "God Who Takes Away Worry"

Anthem: "We Will Keep the Faith Alive"

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer:

Hymn: # 220 "Praise to the Lord, The Almighty"

-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-

Commissioning & Benediction:

Choral Benediction: "Go In Love"

Go in love; have no fear.

God will guide you, He is always near.

Go in love; take His hand.

God will hear you, He will understand.

May His light forever shine upon you;

May His peace be always in your heart.

Go in Love; face each day.

God will lead you, He will show the way.

Go in love and live in faith. Amen.

Postlude



Today's Bulletins Are Placed
In Loving Memory
Of
Douglas & Mary Smith
Remembered By
The Families



Today's Bulletins Are Placed
In Loving Memory
Of
Harry, Gordon, Harold & Stanley MacLean
Remembered By
Brothers, Sisters & Families

-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. Please Note: Karla has the church phone call forwarded to her cell phone to try to ensure that all calls can be answered or calls returned.

- Central Queens would like to thank Rev. Jack Spencer 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:**
Feb. 11th -- Rev. MacLeod
Feb. 18th -- Rev. Clark
Feb. 25th -- 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. February promotions are Swiss Chalet/Montana's 6% and La Vie en Rose 11%. 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.

- **February 4th** – Sunday – 2 p.m. -- **Prayer Service For Christian Unity** will be held at Central Trinity Church in Breadalbane. Speaker for the service will be Marion Murphy. All are welcome to join in the prayers, music and refreshments which will follow. The theme is “Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power,” (Exodus 15:6). In preparation, think of how your right hand serves the Lord and one another.

- **February 10th** – Saturday – 7 p.m. (Storm Date Feb. 11th, Sunday) -- Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, is hosting our **Annual Valentine's Dinner**. You'll "love" this tasty 3 course meal with roast pork loin as the feature. A variety of music to accompany your dinner including "Party Mixed", (some members of Party Mix), as well as others. Whether you come alone or with friends you'll be "heartily" welcomed! Book tickets in advance by contacting Joan at 902-964-3265 or Winnie at 902-621-0677. Tickets \$25/person.

- **February 11th** -- Sunday – 10:00 a.m. - **Choir Practice**.
- **February 13th** – Tuesday – 7:30 p.m. – **Queens UCW** to be hosted by Margaret Smith. Worship: Joan Gail Bernard; Program: Lois Lajeunesse; Roll Call: Valentine Poem

- **February 15th** -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – **Rosewood Service** to be led by the Choir.

- **March 6th** – Tuesday – 6 p.m. – **The Camp Abegweit Annual Meeting** will be held at the North Bedeque United Church.

-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.

- **February 10th** – Saturday -- 9 a.m. – noon -- Spring Park United Church Women are holding their **Annual Valentine Coffee Party** in the Church auditorium. There will be lots to eat; fudge for sale; and a "New to You" jewelry table to check out. Tickets are only \$8.00 each and can be purchased from any UCW member or by calling Joan @902-892-3865. Storm date is February 17th. "Come and join in the fun and wear RED!"

- **February 24th** – Saturday – 7:00 p.m. -- **Gospel Concert** – Plan to attend the **Park Royal Gospel Concert**. Feature guests will be Phase 2, Janet McGarry & Serge Bernard, Joan Reeves, Judy McGregor, Sue Pitre etc. Admission is \$10 at the door. We'll have water and fudge at intermission. Please call 902-894-9656 if you have any questions.