

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: "We Are One In The Spirit"

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

***Call to Worship:**

One: God is in our midst.

All: Come, let us celebrate God's presence.

One: Christ is in our midst.

All: We are here to listen for the call to serve others.

One: The Spirit is in our midst.

All: We are aware of a power, greater than ourselves, to lead, guide, and uplift us.

One: Let us worship God.

***Introit: # 4 "All Who Are Thirsty"**

Prayer of Approach:

One: Come to us, Holy God, as we seek to come together before you.

All: Encircle us with your love.

One: Bless us with your sustaining presence.

All: Surround us with your grace.

One: Draw us together 'round your living Word

All: And bind us to one another as disciples of your beloved Child; in whose name we come in worship. Amen.

***Hymn: # 218 "We Praise You, O God"**

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 27 VU Page 754

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

Go, go, go, with God

Have peace with your heart

Praise and pray every day

Have peace within your heart

Presentation of Our Gifts To God: "Blowing In The Wind"

(Choir sings as gifts are received)

***Offertory Prayer:**

God, you have blessed us with life and with gifts more than we can number. Receive now these offerings of money. Transform them into gifts of ministry and love that they may help build your reign here on earth. Amen

***Hymn: # 87 "I Am The Light of the World"**

Prayer of Confession & Renewal:

God of radiant love, you call us to keep the light of faith alive and burning in your world. Yet we confess our hearts are not on fire with your love. We often choose to walk in shadow rather than in the light of day. Forgive us and make us new, for we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

The New Creed: (Sung)

Special Music: "The King Is Coming"

-LISTENING TO THE WORD-

First Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Gospel Reading: Matthew 4:12-23

Sermon

"Peace In God's Family"

-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-

Anthem: # 651 "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

Pastoral Prayers & Lord's Prayer:

***Hymn: # 562 "Jesus Calls Us"**

Commissioning & Benediction:

Choral Benediction: "God Grant Us Grace"

God grant us grace,

And peace to share

Faith, joy, and mercy good.

Sent from this place,

Renewed to share

With all God's neighbourhood.

-LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH -

- The congregation of Central Queens United Church 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.

- **Karla's (Church Secretary) Work Schedule: Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. – 11:30a.m..**

- 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..

- 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 2017:** 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 new cookbooks, please call Karla at 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.

- We invite you to take some quiet time to prepare for worship by reading these lessons. Next week Lectionary Readings are: January 29th – Micah 6: 1 – 8; 1 Corinthians 1: 18 – 31; Matthew 5: 1 – 12; Psalm 15 VU Page 736

- **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.

- **January 20th** -- Friday – 7 – 9 p.m. -- **Youth Group** (grades 7 to 12) We are moving our youth group one week earlier this month...it will be held on Friday, January 20th, from 7 pm to 9 pm at the home of Susan and Kevin Andrews (civic number 4489, Rte. 13)! They have an outdoor rink and if the weather cooperates- there will be skating!! Otherwise, there will be some other activities.

- **January 22nd** -- Sunday – 2 p.m. – **Week Of Prayer For Christian Unity** to be held at St. Augustine Church in Rustico. Storm date will be January 29th at 2 p.m. .

- **January 25th** – Wednesday – 8:30 p.m. – **Choir Practice** 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 – 10 a.m. – **Sunday – Choir Practice** to be held 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.

- **January 29th** -- Sunday – 4 p.m. – Central Queens United Church invites you to attend its 12 months of activities to celebrate its 10 year Anniversary. This month's activity is a **Sleigh Ride** at Potts Sleigh Ride at 439 Bonshaw Road. Cost: \$5 per person which includes hot chocolate. Bring the kids and enjoy an old fashion way of traveling on a winter's day.

-COMMUNITY EVENTS-

- **January 23rd** – Monday – 7:30 p.m. -- **Winsloe United Church Ceilidh** will be held at Winslow United Church. Host Eddy Quinn will be joined by multi-instrumentalist Keelin Wedge. Admission is \$10 at the door; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

- January 26th; Feb. 9th, and Feb. 23rd – Thursday -- Come share in the fellowship of delicious Seniors' Dinners at South Shore United Church (#85, Rte. 10 in Tryon) at 12 noon on Thursday, Jan. 26, Feb. 9 and Feb. 23. Suggested donation is \$6, and all are welcome. Please contact Ruth at 658-2147 to reserve.

- February 10th – Friday – 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. -- Phase II and Friends in Concert“A Little Inspiration, A Little Nostalgia, A Whole Lot of Love”at South Shore United Church (#85 Rte. 10, Tryon). Tickets \$10 - call Susan at [902-888-7496](tel:902-888-7496) and also available at the door.

- February 11th – Saturday – 5:30 p.m. -- Bring your sweetie for a romantic evening of food and entertainment to celebrate Valentine's Day at Park Royal Church's 'Roast Beef Dinner. Entertainment by Singing Strings and Sirens. Dinner served at 5:30 pm. Adults \$20 and children 12 and under \$10. Contact Donna at Church Office [902-894-9656](tel:902-894-9656) for tickets.

- February 21st -- Tuesday – 6 p.m. -- Camp Abby's Annual Meeting will be held at Trinity United Church in Summerside. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you think you might attend, please notify a board member or you can send an email to the board chair, Garth Cousins at garthcousins@hotmail.com or call him at [902-436-0458](tel:902-436-0458).