

Central Queens United Church
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Central Queen's Mission Statement: Central Queen's 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 guided by God's love to live and serve as Disciples of Christ.

(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: # 16 "Give Me Oil"

25 "He's Got the Whole World"

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Greet this morning with joy!

People: A new week with all its opportunities lies ahead of us.

Leader: Greet this morning with thanksgiving.

People: This is the time of prayer and praise; the time to remember

God's creative generosity.

Leader: Greet this morning with enthusiasm.

People: We are aware of our responsibilities as people of God.

Leader: Greet this morning with Christ.

People: On the first day of the week, we celebrate Christ's rising from death. So let our worship begin.

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

Prayer of Approach:

We come to this place, O God of wisdom, seeking to do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with you. Guide us along the pathway of life. Hear our prayers and be present to us in word and song. Whisper to us as your chosen people...chosen to share the good news of the gospel. Gather us under the warmth of your embrace so that we may

venture forth from this time and this place. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

***Hymn:** # 264 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 52 VU Page 777

Time With Youth:

(at conclusion children recess for Sunday School)

Presentation of Our Gifts To God:

(Choir Sings as Gifts are Received)

***Offertory Prayer:**

In the name and in the Spirit of Jesus, we bring our gifts to you, O God. Help us to give with them a ready mind, a willing spirit, and a joyful heart. Amen.

***Hymn:** # 341 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Prayer of Confession & Renewal:

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with all our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: God is the love that over and around us lies; the grace that is totally unearned; and the healing that makes the earth whole.

People: Give thanks to God; we are forgiven! Amen.

The New Creed: (Sung)

-LISTENING TO THE WORD-

Special Music: Carol Yampolsky and Eugene Burke

Old Testament Reading: Amos 8: 1 - 12

Gospel Reading: Luke 10: 38 - 42

Sermon:

-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-

Special Music: Carol Yampolsky and Eugene Burke

Pastoral Prayers & Lord's Prayer:

***Hymn:** # 608 "Dear God, Who Loves All Humankind"

Commissioning & Benediction:

Until we meet again, walk gently in the way. Dwell in the hollow of God's hand; rejoice, and serve and pray!

Choral Benediction: "God Grant Us Grace" (Tune to Amazing 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 neighborhood.

-THE LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH-

- Central Queens United Church would like to thank Carol Yampolsky and Eugene Burke for sharing their beautiful gift of music 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.

- 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

- You can Sponsor Sunday Bulletin Covers for 2016: 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. 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.

- The learning community of Sugar Mill Academy sincerely thanks the Board, the congregation and Sunday school of the Central Queens United Church for so generously donating towards the book drive for our school. We finally received the books during the last

week of June when school was closing for summer. The children and staff excitedly off-loaded the truck. As anxious as we were to open them all, we knew that this would not be wise as we are repairing the entire roof over the holidays and were in the process of packing everything else up for safe storage.

I promise to send another report in September when school reopens and the books have been distributed to classrooms and the library. I know that the children will thoroughly enjoy each and every book. The teachers will have just as much fun with book clubs, read alouds and so much more!

Words cannot begin to express our gratitude but know that you have touched the lives and imaginations of many children who will explore the world through the pages of these wonderful books!

- 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..

- Once again we are fortunate to have received a grant for a Summer Student. We have hired Alexandra Wood who went to Youth Fourm at Maritime Conference.

- Would you like to help send a child to Camp? Each year we have children that would like to go to Camp but can't afford it. At Camp Abby we want to help make that happen. You can too by making a donation to a special fund that does just that. Help make a difference in someone's life! If interested please contact our treasurer, Linda Durdle @ 836-4090. Donations are tax deductible.

- At long last we have a Family from Syria is coming to live with us! They will arrive on Tuesday July 19 at 11:55 p.m. at the Charlottetown Airport. If you are interested in helping out and welcoming them to PEI please let Rev. Barb know. More updates to come.

- Next week (July 24, 2016) Lectionary Readings are: Hosea 1: 2 – 10; Colossians 2: 6 – 19; Luke 11: 1 - 13. We invite you to take some quiet time to prepare for worship by reading these lessons.

- This is our second year for Our Community Church Calendar, we are looking for a picture for the 2017 calendar. Anyone wishing to have their family names added to the calendar or update their family list. Please contact Debbie Ling at [902-964-2882](tel:902-964-2882) or Church office by the end of August.

- ~July 21st – Thursday – 7 p.m. – Rosewood Service to be led by the Session.
- July 23rd – Saturday – 7:30 p.m. – Central Queens United Church is hosting a Ceilidh/Cake Auction. Special guests will include Party Mix, Touch of Country featuring Mary Smith, Theo Weigers, Lou Doiron and Wayne Diamond. Also performing will be Central Queens Musical Friends and Susan Pitre. Do not miss the delicious homemade cakes for auction too. Admission is \$10 at the door. Light refreshments will be served.

• ~July 24th Sunday – 10:00 a.m. – Sunday Morning Choir Practice to be held at Central Queens United Church.

• August 8th – 12th – Monday – Friday – 2016 Vacation Bible School. Everyone Welcome.

• August 13th -- Saturday – 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Central Queens United Church Yard Sale to be held at our church. Drop off dates for donations are Sunday, August 7th after church, Monday, August 8th from 5:30 – 7 p.m., and August 11th from 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. All proceeds from the yard sale will go to our wonderful church fund. Thank you for your Generosity. Please no furniture or books. “One Women’s Junk is Another Woman’s Treasure”

-COMMUNITY EVENTS-

• July 23rd – Saturday -- Reserve Saturday, July 23rd for the Kelly's Cross Annual Tea Party. Free Entertainment begins at 3pm. Meals are being served beginning at 3:30pm

• August 1st – Monday – 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. -- South Shore United Church (#85, Route #10 in Tryon) will be having a Bake Sale. Stop by to pick up bread, rolls, biscuits, cakes, squares, cookies, pies, jams/pickles and fresh vegetables. For further information, call Arlene at 658-2009.

• August 8-12th – Monday – Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The GO Project, to be held at Trinity Summerside: Come join us for an action-packed week, as children grades 2-7 explore together what peace and justice look like. Children will explore faith & service through unique service projects, such as park clean ups, exploring food issues through food collection, growing and sharing, environmental action projects

and so much more. This program is presented as a day camp experience with trained camp staff, including fun camp experiences such as games, crafts, small groups, campfire, delicious food and a generally fun time. The cost is \$100 per child which includes lunches and snacks. You can register by calling the church office. We are also looking for senior youth or adults who might be willing to assist with the camp. Please call Trinity United Church Summerside 902-436-3155