

**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:**

**\*Call to Worship:**

One: Humankind is composed of many different people; people of every nation under the sun with diverse languages, customs and beliefs.

**All: Yet we are one family under the parenthood of God!**

One: Even as citizens of the same nation, belonging to the same community, and members of the same group, we are different in many ways.

**All: Yet God calls us to dwell in peace and unity with our neighbour!**

One: Then let us praise the Lord our God, for though we are all individuals, we are one in God's love, and God's will is that we should love and serve one another.

**All: Let us show forth our love as we share together our experience in worship. Let us praise God always!**

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

**Prayer Of Approach:**

**Compassionate God, be present with each of us today. Hold us in your love, steady us and remind us that when we are rooted in your love, we can be channels of peace, hope and healing. Amen.**

**Hymn: # VU 395 "Come In, Come In, and Sit Down"**

**Responsive Psalm: Psalm 68 VU 787**

**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: VU 269 "The Care the Eagle Gives her Young" (Choir sings as gifts are received)**

**\*Offertory Prayer:**

**Generous and Giving God, we give thanks for the many blessings and answered prayers we have received and we respond with humble gratitude. As we reach out beyond ourselves, may what we have to share be blessings and answered prayers for someone else. Amen**

**\*Hymn: # VU 296 "This is God's Wondrous World"**

**Prayer of Confession & Renewal:**

**Creator God, we confess that we do not give our lives over to the transforming power of your Spirit to call out the gifts of each one of us and to build up the life of the whole church. Today as we wonder at your creation in the world around us, may we also open ourselves to the new creation you seek to bring about within and among us, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**God invites our questions, our wonderings and even our doubts. God invites us into a new relationship of openness. God invites us to be made whole - to accept the gift of forgiveness and to journey toward new life. We are a forgiven people. Thanks be to God.**

**-LISTENING TO THE WORD-**

**First Scripture Reading: Acts 1:6-14;**

**Gospel Reading: John 17:1-11**

**Sermon:**

**-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-**

**Choral Anthem: VU 402 "We Are One as We Come"**

**Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer:**

**Hymn: # VU 334 "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"**

### Commissioning & Benediction:

We go into the world sharing our spiritual gifts. We offer our time, talents and treasures as our gifts to the Lord. May the love of God surround us with life, may the grace of Christ give us freedom, and the presence of the Holy Spirit empower us and keep us. Amen.

### 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.



Today's Bulletin Are Placed  
In Loving Memory  
Of  
Coltin Leveillee  
Remembered By  
Suzanne & Harvey Silliphant  
Kim & Nancy

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

- The congregation of Central Queens United Church would like to thank Norma Hermann for leading our 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, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. and Thursday 1:00 – 4:00 p.m..
- 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.
- 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..

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### • 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 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: June 4 – *Pentecost* - Acts 2:1-21 or Numbers 11:24-30; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (Voices United 826 Part Two); 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13; John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

- 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. Each month there are promotions available. May's promotions are Winner's/Homes ensemble 8% up from 6% and Indigo 7.5% up from 5%.

- Time to learn the basis of membership in the United Church of Canada? If you are a youth or adult and are thinking about being confirmed in our church, or you want to transfer your membership from another congregation or denomination then please speak to the minister or call the church office at 902-964-2221.

- 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

- Gena Yeo is going on a Work and Witness Mission Trip to Rwanda in November. Gena pays her own way, but she is required to fund raise for materials needed for the project the group will work on while there. If you would like to help her, help them by giving a Love Offering please put your donation into the Rwanda Box. Any donation over \$10 is tax deductible, so please include your full name and complete address. Thank you

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• **May 28<sup>th</sup>** – Today – After Church – If anyone would like to partake in the fall dinner theatre please stay after church for a meeting or let Sharon MacRoberts know. Thank you!

• **May 27<sup>th</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>** – Karla our secretary will be taking vacation time.

• **May 31<sup>st</sup>** – Wednesday – 8:30 p.m. – **Choir Practice** to be held at Central Queens United Church.

• **June 2, 3 & 4** - Please save these dates for Camp Abby weekend (staying over two nights: Friday and Saturday). All Sunday School students and their families are welcome--lots of room for all! Our Sunday School closing service will take place at Camp Abby on the Sunday morning, June 4<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00. If the weather is nice- we will be outside for the service and we are also hoping to eat outside if possible- "picnic style". In lieu of hot dishes, we are asking for members of the congregation to bring a picnic item---a salad, sweets or sandwiches and please bring your own camp chairs. If it is raining, the service and meal will move inside. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Grace McCourt at [\(902\) 388-0260](tel:9023880260) or Debbie Smith at [\(902\) 940-2496](tel:9029402496).

• **June 4<sup>th</sup>** -- Sunday – 10 a.m. – **Choir Practice** to be held at Central Queens United Church.

• **June 6<sup>th</sup>** -- Tuesday – 7:30 p.m. -- **Joint UCW Meeting** to be held at Central Queens United Church. All Women welcome.

• **June 10<sup>th</sup>** – Saturday -- Central Queens United Church, Hunter River, is holding their **Annual Spring Roast Beef Dinner**. Three seatings: 4:00, 5:30 and 6:45 p.m. with take-outs available for pick-up at 3:00 p.m. Delicious hot meal with all the trimmings followed by tasty strawberry shortcake and other assorted cakes. Tickets are \$15/adult, \$7/child (6 - 12 yrs. of age), and free for children under 6 yrs. of age. Browse our bazaar table filled with baked goods and crafts! Tickets should be ordered in advance from Debbie at [902-964-2882](tel:9029642882)

• **June 15<sup>th</sup>** -- Thursday – 7:00 p.m. – **Rosewood Service** to be led by the Choir.

• **June 15<sup>th</sup>** - Thursday - 7:45 p.m. **Official Board Meeting**. We will be voting on Remit 4: Funding a New Model. Please visit [gc42.ca/remits](http://gc42.ca/remits) for information on the remit.

#### -COMMUNITY EVENTS-

**May 28<sup>th</sup>** - Sunday – 2 – 4 p.m. -- Bonshaw Ceilidh - The monthly Ceilidh Concert to be held at the Bonshaw Hall. Performers include special musical guests: The Fresh Air Inspectors;

singer and fiddler Karen Graves; singer-songwriter Anna Ney (from Germany); singers and step-dancers Emma Bowers and Olivia Blacquiere; plus local entertainers Andrea Corder, Herb MacDonald, Phil Pineau and Tony the Troubador. 50/50 draw, delicious lunch, and open stage time. Admission is by donation with proceeds going to the PEI Chapter of the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association.

All ages welcome; accessible for small wheelchairs. For more information phone 675-4093 or check the facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/events/1339392002762727/>.

• **May 28<sup>th</sup>** – Today – 2 p.m. -- Come enjoy a Senior's afternoon. Young at Heart Musical Theatre for Seniors is presenting "Sing Song Ping Pong", with Pamela Campbell & Nancy Beck leading the audience in a good old fashioned sing-along! Come and bring a friend. Doors open at 1:30 and admission is free! [www.yahtheatre.com/](http://www.yahtheatre.com/)

• **May 28<sup>th</sup>** -- Tune in to the QEH/Eastlink Telethon on Eastlink TV Ch.10 or in Brilliant HD Ch. 610. Funds raised during this year's Telethon will support the purchase of priority medical equipment for urology, pediatrics, stroke care, mental health, and other areas of need. Once purchased, these pieces of equipment will positively impact the lives of many Islanders. Featuring the best of Island entertainment and inspiring grateful patient stories, the 18-hour telethon is sure to feed your soul! Be sure to tune in - Saturday - noon to 9 p.m., Sunday - 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and call toll-free [1-877-675-3343](tel:18776753343) to make your donation! Or, call the Foundation office to get your pledge in before the show airs- [902-894-2425](tel:9028942425).

• **June 4<sup>th</sup>** – Sunday --2:30 p.m. -- "A Joyful Sound Choir" is celebrating Canada's 150th birthday with a made in Canada concert. The concert will feature compositions of some wonderful musicians who've called this country home - Stan Rogers, Ian Tyson, Leonard Cohen, Oscar Peterson, and more. The choir is directed by Christie Beck and accompanied by Fran McBurnie. Admisson is by donation, with lunch to follow.

• **June 7<sup>th</sup>** – Wednesday – 7:30 p.m. -- THE FOUR MEN in concert at Spring Park United Church -- The Four Men promote the Mission and Service of the United Church of Canada. Their concerts raise awareness of, and funds for, the Mission and Service Fund. They offer a unique blend of musical entertainment, sharing songs of inspiration, hope, love, and peace, well known and new, with charming and nostalgic arrangements, all packaged in a lively and engaging presentation. General Admission: \$20, Youth (7-18): \$10 and Free admission for children 6 and under.

- **June 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday -- 6 p.m. – midnight -- Cancer Changes Everything. So Can You. Join your family, friends and neighbors at Confederation Landing Park on Friday, June 16 from 6pm to midnight for the 2017 Queens County Relay For Life. Whether you are cheering on survivors, walking the track, passing the baton to your teammate or joining in exciting trackside activities, Relay For Life is more than just a cancer walk - it's a journey.. Every dollar raised by Relay for Life participants makes a difference. Money raised funds Canada's most promising cancer research to save more lives, ensures no one has to face cancer alone and helps stop cancer before it starts. For more info go to [www.cancer.ca](http://www.cancer.ca) and click "get involved" (Gail at [902-566-4007](tel:902-566-4007).)**