

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:

Lighting of the Christ Candle:

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: This is the day that our God has made.

People: We will rejoice and be glad.

Leader: This day we gather to celebrate and to sing praises to our Creator God.

People: This day we raise our voices in praise and Thanksgiving.

Leader: For our God is good and greatly to be praised. So let our worship begin.

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

Prayer of Approach:

Great God of all peoples and all nations you are beyond our knowing, yet closer to us than our every breath. You are before us and behind us, surrounding us with your love and fashioning all creation in the secret depths of your heart. With every thought, with every song and with every prayer, we come to offer you praise for we long to know you better and we seek to become a Spirit-filled body of Christ. Today we give thanks for the past, the present and the future. As we sing songs of faith increase in us an awareness of your presence in this place and fill our hearts with joy. In Jesus name. Amen.

***Hymn: # 291 "All Things Bright and Beautiful"**

Responsive Psalm: Psalm 79 VU Page 793

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Time With Youth:

(at conclusion children recess for Sunday School)

Presentation of Our Gifts To God: # 589 "Lord, Speak to Me"

***Offertory Prayer:**

Holy God, you call us to action in response to the faith we proclaim in you. As we offer our gifts to you now – this is part of how we respond – we pray that these gifts may enable the life of this congregation and may bless the lives of many in the world. We pray in Jesus name.

Amen

***Hymn: # 626 "I Heard The Voice of Jesus"**

Prayer of Confession & Renewal:

Wondrous God, in love you call us and in thankfulness we respond. The beauty of the fields and rolling hillsides is awesome. Yet in our busyness, we fail to take enough time to admire the splendor that is all around us. We confess that our lives are cluttered with much activity. Slow us down, so that we might hear the chorus of birds, see the joy in children's faces, and smell the crisp autumn air. Embrace us with life anew, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: Our God is a merciful God, who holds out before us the promise of forgiveness. Be assured that you too are blessed by the God who is there with you, and for you, all the days of your life.

People: We are a forgiven people. Thanks be to God!

The New Creed: (Sung)

-LISTENING TO THE WORD-

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 8: 18 – 9: 1

Gospel Reading: Luke 16: 1 - 13

Sermon:

-RESPONDING TO THE GOOD NEWS-

Choral Anthem: # VU 216 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

Pastoral Prayers & Lord's Prayer:

***Hymn: # 288 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

Commissioning & Benediction:

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.

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Today's Bulletins Are Placed
In Loving Memory Of
Barbara Ann Reid
Presented by
Walter & Pat Carver

-THE LIFE AND WORK OF OUR CHURCH-

- 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.
- 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..
- Next week (Sept 25th, 2016) Lectionary Readings are: Jeremiah 32: 1 – 3a, 6 – 15; 1 Timothy 6: 6 – 19; Luke 16: 19 - 31. We invite you to take some quiet time to prepare for worship by reading these lessons.

- September 18th – Today After Church – Central Queens United Church Congregational Meeting following the church service. A proposal, from the building and finance committees, will be presented to replace the siding on the church with vinyl siding, and borrow \$30,000 towards this project.
- ~September 21st – Wednesday – 8:30 p.m. – Choir Practice to be held at Central Queens United Church.
- ~September 24th – Saturday -- UCW PEI Presbyterial Workshop will be held at Camp Abegweit. Registration \$12.00, 9-9:30am. Theme "Spiritual Deepening ", guest speaker will be Rev. Janice MacLean.
- September 25th -- Sunday – 10:00 a.m. – Sunday Morning Choir Practice to be held at Central Queens United Church.
- September 25th -- Sunday – 10:30 a.m. – 9th Anniversary Service of Central Queens United Church with Special Music by Jeanie Campbell. To be held at Central Queens United Church with cake and ice cream following our service.
- September 29th – Thursday – 7:45 p.m. -- Official Board Meeting to be held at Central Queens United Church.
- October 2nd -- Sunday – 7 p.m. – Hillcrest Gospel Group will be hosting a Gospel Concert to be held at Central Queens United Church.
- October 4th -- Tuesday – 7:30 p.m. – Joint UCW will be held at Central Queens United Church. Queens Group: Worship; Central Group: Lunch and Program.
- ~October 20th – Thursday – 7 p.m. – Rosewood Service to be led by the Choir.

-COMMUNITY EVENTS-

- September 18th – Sunday -- the Community of Hunter River will host its 6th Annual Terry Fox Run. Our small community has raised over \$8,400 for cancer research in three short years, let's keep that momentum going. Terry Fox Run research dollars have a huge impact in the fight against cancer. Please get involved! The run begins at 2 pm at the Dr. Kent G Ellis Heritage Park; registration begins at 1:30 pm. You can walk, run, or bike the 1km, 2km, or 5km route on the Confederation Trail, furry friends are welcome on leash. You can register onsite the day of the event or online to run/walk. Pledge forms can also be picked up in the following locations: Hunter River Library, Hunter River Post Office and Hunter River PharmaChoice, and Stella Maris Credit Union. Please contact Sarah McGrath at 621-2170 or admin.hunter.river@gmail.com to find out how you can help or for more information. See you on September 18th!!!!

- **September 18th** – Sunday – 2 – 4 p.m. -- The Mount Allison University Archives and The Alumni Relations Office invites you to attend a special event to honor **The 100th Anniversary of Grace Annie Lockhart's Passing** to be held at The South Shore United Church #85 Route 10, Tryon, PE. The cemetery where Grace Annie Lockhart is buried is adjacent to this church. Guest Speaker: David Mawhinney, Mount Allison's Archivist. Special Guest: Dr. Robert M. Campbell President & Vice-Chancellor Mount Allison University. A visit to Grace Annie Lockhart's grave site will be followed by a presentation by our archivist and a lunch (including sandwiches, sweets, and refreshments) will be provided by the Life & Hospitality Committee of The South Shore United Church. No ticket fee. Please RSVP to (506) 364-2303 by September 10, 2016 *Grace Annie Lockhart was the first woman in the British Empire to receive a bachelor's degree. She was an early leader in the suffragette movement and an outspoken supporter of women's education — truly ahead of her time. We hope that you will join us as we celebrate this amazing alumna.*

- **September 18th** – Sunday – 7 p.m. – **Ceilidh** is planned for Kelly's Community Centre For a list of guest entertainers and other information, see the Guardian's, "Don't Miss This," Friday, September 16th.

- **September 24th** – Saturday – 8:30 – 12:30 p.m. -- **The Winsloe United Church Fall Fair** -- There will be fresh vegetables, coffee, tea, baked goods, jams, barbequed sausages and hot dogs, books, children's activities, a silent auction, and an indoor yard sale. The yard sale tables are \$15 each. Please contact Sonya at [902-367-6341](tel:902-367-6341) after 6 p.m. or by e-mail at sonya.boelhouver@gmail.com.

- **September 25th** – Sunday – 2 p.m. -- **Harvest Hymn Sing at The Barn Floor** – St. John the Evangelist Anglican Parish, Crapaud is hosting a **Harvest Hymn Sing** on Sunday, September 25th at 2:00 pm at The Barn Floor, The Sherren Family Farm, 734 Route 13, Crapaud. Guest performers will be: Ed and Linda Doiron, Ramona Roberts & Mike Johnson, and Wayne and Blaine Diamond. The afternoon will feature performances by guest musicians; congregational hymn sing, and seasonal readings. A free will offering will be received. Light refreshments will be served following the Hymn Sing. Come and celebrate the beauty and blessings of harvest time and community life

in Prince Edward Island.. For more information phone:[902-621-2920](tel:902-621-2920).

- **September 25th** - Sunday – 3 p.m. – Come and enjoy an afternoon of music with **Men Of The Harvest** (a group of men from the greater Kensington area) to be held at the Brookfield Church. This is a fundraiser for the church's chimney repair.

- **September 26th** – Monday – 7:30 p.m. -- **Winsloe United Church Ceilidh** – Host Dino Dunsford will be joined by Jolee Patkai, Christine Dunsford, and Gary Cudmore. Lunch will be served. Admission \$10.

- **October 2nd** – Sunday – 7 p.m. -- Central Trinity UCW will host an **Evening of Music** with Guest performance by Rodney Savidant. Tickets are \$10.00 Proceeds for Central Trinity United Church. Contact Evelyn [902-964-3476](tel:902-964-3476), Lynda [902-886-3145](tel:902-886-3145), Louise [902-886-2612](tel:902-886-2612), or Betty [902-964-3037](tel:902-964-3037) for tickets.

- **October 8th** -- Saturday – 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. – **Gena's Used Book Sale** (One Day Only) to be held at the Hampshire Community Hall, Civic # 851, Route 225, just minutes from Clow's General Store. All Books \$1 and all proceeds go to help educate girls in Africa. Bring the kids and browse for your winter storm stayed material.

- **Henry Clarke Scholarship Trust** -- The Trustees of the Henry Clarke Scholarship Trust are pleased to announce that they will award two Bursaries this year in the amount of One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00). One each, to two eligible, most qualified, students entering post-secondary studies in the 2016-2017 academic year. For more information check bulletin board.

TO BE CONSIDERED ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN OCTOBER 21st, 2016.

- **October 29th** – Saturday -- 4 – 6:30 p.m. -- **Turkey Dinner** at Shore United Church (#85 Rte. 10 in Tryon). Dinner includes roast turkey, dressing, juice, potatoes, vegetables, coleslaw, rolls, dessert and hot/cold beverages. Adults \$15 and children under 12 \$6. For tickets, call 658-2147, 658-2009, 658-2732 or church office 658-2863.