

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
February 28, 2021 – 10:30 am
Second Sunday in Lent

Central Queens' Mission Statement

Central Queens 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 united by God's love to live and serve as Disciples of Christ.

Gathering for Worship

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

*Introit Come All You People MV #2 x2

*Call to Worship

Blessed and blessing,
loving and loved,
God's people, Central Queen's United,
come to this place!

We're ready!

From times of work,
from times of play,
from times of busy-ness,
from times away,
God's people of Central Queen's United, come!

We're set!

To speak and to receive,
to sing and to pray.
God's people of Central Queen's United, come!

We're here!
We're here!
We're here to worship God!

*Hymn Come Touch Our Hearts MV #12

Prayer of Approach

God of the smooth road,
God of the rough places,
God of the wilderness paths,
thank you.
Thank you for calling us out
when we want to wrap ourselves up and hide.
Thank you for giving us safe space
when everything is just too much.
Thank you for blessing all creation with your presence,
and with your love.
Open our hearts, we pray—open our minds—
open our souls and, by your grace,
fill them with your abundant love;
not only so that we would be changed,
not only so that we would be blessed,
but so that we can be blessing
and people of transformation,
in your world.
In Jesus' name we ask it.

With Jesus, we share in the ancient prayer. . .

Psalm 22:23-31 (Parts Three & Four) VU #746

Hymn It's a Song of Praise to the Maker MV #30 vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

Hymn It's a Song of Praise to the Maker MV #30 vs 3 & 4

Prayer of Confession

We are quite open about our successes.
We feel free to boast when we have done well,
but we are not quite so open when things have gone wrong.
We do not praise God anyway.
Instead, we recognize the distance
between me and you
between you and God
between God and me.
We will be quite open about it
as we open ourselves
to our Living God in silence

Moment of Silence

Kyrie

Assurance of God's Love

Presentation of Our Gifts

Offertory Invitation

Offertory Your Work, O God, Needs Many Hands VU #537

*Presentation of Offering

*Offertory Prayer

God of all creation, we know that
all that we have,
all that we are,
is blessed and blessing.
In this sharing,
we add our blessing to yours.
May all of these blessings
bring hope and healing to your world. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Sacred Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 The Covenant Between Abram, Sarai and God
Mark 8:31-38 Those Who Lose Their Life for the Gospel Will Save It

Anthem

Sermon

Responding to the Word

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn** Christ Has No Body Now But Yours MV #171

*Blessing

Blessed and blessing,
loving and loved,
God's people, Central Queens United,
go from this place!
We're ready!
To times of work, to times of play,
to times of busy-ness,
to times away,
God's people of Central Queens United, go to the world!
We're set!
To speak and to listen, to sing and to pray,
to be a blessing, each and every day.
God's people of Central Queens United,
go and be stewards of the faith,
Jesus' people on the Way.
We go, knowing we are never alone!
Carried by the wings of the Holy Spirit,
moving forward with Christ's peace,
enfolded in the Creator's love,
we go! Amen. Amen! AMEN!

Choral Benediction

Don't Be Afraid

MV #90

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Ministers

All of us

Clergy

Rev Greg Davis

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Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

9 am – 12 pm

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Warm Welcome to All – We are glad you are here as a visitor, a seeker, someone looking for a new church home, or as a regular worshiper.

Today's Bulletins are in loving memory of Leith Andrews. Lovingly remembered by Ann and Family.

Life and Work of Our Church

Greg's Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 am – 12 pm. If anyone is in the hospital or would like a visit from Greg, please call him at 902-964-2291. If you wish to meet with Greg outside the scheduled hours, please call 902-964-2291 or email minister@cquc.ca for an appointment.

In-Church Services: Registration is **required**. To registration, please call 902-964-2221 or email office@cquc.ca. Masks **are required**. If you are registering **after 12 pm Thursday**, please text or call Velda at 902-940-7674.

Sunday Worship Cancellations – In the event of inclement weather, an announcement will be made by radio on Ocean 100 by 9 am. It will also be posted on our website and Facebook page.

E-Transfers – Central Queens United Church is now step up to accept E-Transfers. If you wish to give your offerings through E-Transfer, please send via email to veldabertram@gmail.com.

Weekly Bulletins can be sponsored by you in celebration or remembrance of a loved one. There is a signup sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00.

Sleigh Ride - There is a sleigh ride that has been organized for the church on Sunday, March 7th, at 2pm at Great Northern Adventures, 924 Fort Augustus Road, Mount Herbert. Cost is approximately \$10 per person. Bring your sleds for the sledding hill!

Due to COVID guidelines, there are restrictions on the number of people per sleigh (10 maximum) and you need to wear a mask.



If you are interested in going on the sleigh ride, you will **need** to pre-register with Walter Carver at 902-213-7015 (call/text).

FundScrip – Next order date will be March 7th. You can reach Janet Howes by email (jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. Promotions for the month of February: Indigo – 7%; Boston Pizza – 7%. E-transfers accepted.

Official Board Meeting – The Official Board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 18th, at 7:00 pm at the church.



Bookworms United - Our next meeting is scheduled for March 24th at 10:30 am (please note time change). We will be enjoying the presence of George Mason when we discuss his book, [Birds of a Feather](#). There is a waiting list for the book, but we expect we will be able to keep copies circulating so all can read it who want to come to the discussion.

Central Queens Emmaus Walkers – Come join us as we walk and chat every Thursday at 12 pm. Please check Facebook each week to see where we will be meeting. All are welcome.

Food Bank –Please remember to continue your support for the Food Bank with non-perishable food items. You can drop them off any Sunday or during the week in the wooden box at the church entrance.

Camp Abegweit – Camp Abegweit deadline for applications for this summer has been extended to **March 15th**. Staff must be 16 years old by July 1st, 2021. Applications and job descriptions can be found at www.campabby.ca/jobs. For any other information, feel free to contact Pix Butt at pixmpc@bellaliant.net.



Jesus, may we follow you on the pilgrim way of Lent,
May we journey with you into the wilderness,
Willing to move beyond the ordinary,
So that we can discover your unexpected sacred places.
Jesus, may we wash our hands and purify our hearts,
Learning to thirst after righteousness and hunger after justice,
May we humble ourselves before you,
Expecting to see you revealed in a new light.
Jesus, may we walk with you no matter how challenging the path,
Learning to be patient with darkness and growth,
Willing to live with not knowing,
Until your mustard seeds take root and sprout into live.
Author Unknown