

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
February 7, 2021 – 10:30 am
Fifth Sunday Of Epiphany

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 Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary MV #18 x3

*Call to Worship

God has invited us to come.
So we gather.

God has spoken to the world.
So we listen.

God has given us glimpses of grace and mercy.
So we wait and watch, longing for healing, eager for hope.

God has been faithful to all generations.

So we trust. And so we worship God, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

*Hymn Let My Spirit Always Sing MV #83

Prayer of Approach

God you see us under the fig tree, or brewing coffee in the kitchen, or relaxing on the couch,
and you recognize us for who we are.

We wonder what you are up to, where you might be found,
and you invite us to come and see.

In this time of worship,
**move in our hearts and souls,
give us the curiosity and the courage to come and see,
and then to share what we have seen and heard.**

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

Psalm 147:1-11 Part One VU #869

*Hymn Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love VU #574 vs 1 & 2

All God's Children

*Hymn Come, Let Us Sing of a Wonderful Love VU #574 vs 3 & 4

Presentation of Our Gifts

Offertory Invitation

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

*Presentation of Offering

*Offertory Prayer

Generous and loving God, we bring our offering to you, trusting that you will bless our gifts and use them in ways we cannot even imagine. Jesus touched so many lives in so many different ways. We ask that these gifts will touch many lives, too, with your healing and hope in these difficult days. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Sacred Readings

Isaiah 40:21.31

Mark 1:29-39

Anthem

Sermon

Responding to the Word

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn We are Pilgrims (The Servant Song) VU #595

*Blessing

Go and share!

Share the Good News about what God is doing in the world.

Share the exciting news the God is afoot, that the world is being changed

Share the promise that God sees us where we are and welcomes us into the circle.

We have come to see, now we go to share the love of God with the world around us.

And you are not alone. The Three-in-One: Parent, Child and Holy Spirit is with you always.

Thanks be to God!

Choral Benediction Dance with the Spirit

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Ministers All of us

Clergy Rev Greg Davis

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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.

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.

Election of Elders from today, February 7th – Sunday, February 21st. Be sure to pick up your ballot and deposit in the silver box in the foyer. Thank you.

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 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 sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Cost is \$20.00.

FundScrip – Janet will be placing an order today. Next order date will be February 21st. You can reach Janet Howes by email (jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. E-transfers accepted.

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.

Bookworms United – The February meeting of Bookworms United will be held in the church parlour on Wednesday, February 24th, at 10 am. The book we will discuss is the 2020 Giller Prize winner, **How to Pronounce Knife** by Souvankham Thammavongsa.

Please note that we have moved our meetings to Wednesday morning to accommodate more people.

In March we hope to read one of George Mason's novels, and we will invite him to a meeting to discuss his fiction. Should be fun and something to look forward to.

Camp Abegweit – Camp Abegweit is now accepting applications for summer of 2021. Staff must be 16 years old by July 1st, 2021. Applications and job descriptions can be found at www.campabby.ca/jobs. Deadline is February 19th. It's a great place to work and grow! For any other information, feel free to contact Pix at pixmpc@bellaliant.net.

Community News

Take-Out Roast Beef Dinner – Treat your sweetie on Saturday, February 13th, at Park Royal United Church. Adults \$18 and Children under 12 - \$9.00. Tickets available by calling church office at 902-894-9656. *Menu includes tender roast beef, mashed potatoes (side of gravy), carrots, turnip, peas, roll, and a giant delicious cupcake for dessert.* We ask that you come into the office to pick up and pay for your tickets and please have a cheque made out to Park Royal United Church or the correct change as we will not be handling change. **All tickets must be picked up and paid for by Tuesday, February 9th.** Pickup times (at Headstart Door) for dinners, indicated on your ticket, will be 4:30 – 5:00 **OR** 5:00 – 5:30 pm on February 13th.

DARE TO BE HAPPY

Dare to be happy – don't shy away,
Reach out and capture the joy of today!
Life is for living! Give it a try'
Open your heart to that sun in the sky.
Dare to be loving, and trusting, and true;
Treasure the hours with those dear to you.
Dare to be kind – it's more fun than you know;
Give joy to others, and watch your own grow.
Dare to admit all your blessings, and then
Every day count them all over again.
Dare to be happy, don't be afraid –
This is the day which the Lord hath made!

By: Helen Lowrie Marshall