

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
May 30, 2021 – 10:30 am
Trinity Sunday

Environment Sunday

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.

The Community Gathers

Prelude

Acknowledging Traditional Territory

Welcome & Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Video "How Dare You Look Away" Greta Thunberg

*Introit Spirit of the Living God VU #376

*Call to Worship

Don't look the other way!
Seek advice from the beasts
And they will enlighten you
From the birds in the sky
And they will show you
Speak to the earth
And Mother Earth will teach you
For which of these does not know?
All life is in God's hands!

We cannot look the other way!
May our worship and praise enable us to see.

*Hymn Touch the Earth Lightly VU #307

Prayer of Approach

Lord Jesus Christ,
you recognize the beauty of the lilies of the field.
In wild places you found the stillness that helped you to pray.
You reminded us that every sparrow and raven
is known and cared for.
You saw the labour of the farmers
and enjoy the fruit of that work.
Let us be like you and cherish this earth you created,
sustained and promised to make new.

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

Paraphrase of the Lord's Prayer

Parent of soil and sky,
may our praise reveal your beauty.
May your encircling love bear fruit
as sun, rain and snow empower creation.
Provide for life; all that sustains;
free us from stubborn arrogance and all it brings.
Enable change for fellow creatures.
Save us in the midst of what our kind has brought about.
Deliver life from evil,
for the seasons, the cycles and the power of life are yours
now, and through all endings.
Let it be so! Amen

*Hymn The Whole Wide World is in God's Hands
Tune: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

The whole wide world is in God's hands [repeat 3 times]
The whole world's in God's hands.

The sun and the moon are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]
The whole world's in God's hands.

The nighttime stars are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

The rivers and streams are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

The birds and the bees are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

The little grey squirrels are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

The hills and the mountains are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

The great big oceans are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

Apple trees and plum trees are in God's hands [repeat 3 times]

The whole world's in God's hands.

All God's Children

Hymn of Confession "If the Fields are Parched" Video

Listening for God's Word

Sacred Readings

Psalm 33 VU #760

Genesis 1:1-25

The Story of Creation (Based on Genesis 1)

- In the beginning, the world was dark, and there was no shape.
(Put hands over eyes and shake head "no.")
- God moved over the water.
(Move arms left to right in front of body.)
- Then God spoke and said, "Let there be light."
(Cup hands around mouth.)
- And there was light!
(Arch hands over head like you are making a big sun.)
- And God said, "This is good!"
(Make an "OK" sign with fingers.)

- God separated the day from the night.
(Push arms away from sides of body.)
- God separated the heavens from the earth.
(Push one arm up and one arm down vertically away from body.)
- God separated the water from the land.
(Push arms away from front of body as if pushing something away from you.)
- And God said, "This is good!"
(Make "OK" sign.)
- God made plants to grow.
(Squat down, put hands and arms together over your head, and slowly stand upward and reach high.)
- God made the stars at night.
(While hands are still high overhead, open hands and fingers wide, and wiggle fingers.)
- And God said, "This is good!"
(Make "OK" sign.)
- God made the fish in the sea, and the birds in the air.
(Put hands together, fingers closed, and move them like a fish tail swimming; then put arms out at sides and flap like a bird.)
- And God said, "This is good!"
(Make "OK" sign.)
- God made animals on the land.
(Let children imitate different animals they know - bunnies hopping, dogs barking, etc.)
- And God said, "This is good!"
(Make "OK" sign.)
- Then God made people in God's own image.
(Smile and point to self, then look to heavens.)
- God said to the people, "Take good care of my world!"
(Point finger and shake it in front, as if shaking it at someone.)
- And God said, "This world is good!"
(Make "OK" sign and have all say "This is Good!" with happy smiles and great joy.)

Anthem God of the Mountains Sarah Weeks

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to God's Word

Offertory Invitation

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

*Presentation of Offering

*Offertory Prayer

God, our Creator, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and our concern for those in need, including our fellow creatures on planet Earth.

With all creation, we bless our Creator.

A Litany of Thanksgiving

*Hymn Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom MV #10

*Blessing

*Choral Amen

*Choral Benediction

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

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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. All are welcome.

Today's Bulletins are placed in loving memory of Sharon MacRoberts. Lovingly Remembered by her "Dinner Theatre Friends". Bulletins are also placed in loving memory of Betty Howatt. Presented by Central Queens Musical Friends.

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.

Praise Service – There will be a Praise Service on Wednesday, June 23rd at 7 pm at the church. Registration will be **required**. To register, 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.

FundScrip – Janet will be placing an order today. Next order date will be June 13th. You can reach Janet by email (jhowes1969@gmail.com) or by

phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. E-transfers accepted.

Official Board Meeting – The next Official Board meeting will be on Thursday, June 17th, at 7 pm.

In-Church Services: Registration is **required**. To register, 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.

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

Student Summer Employment – We have received a student grant for student summer employment. For more information, please contact the church office at 902-964-2221 or email at office@cquc.ca, if interested.

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.

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.

Pop Can Pull Tabs – George Mason is collecting pop can pull tabs which are then given to the Daughters of the Nile women's organization. The funds then go to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal where they are used to buy reading materials for the children in the hospital. Your can tab collections can be dropped off here at the church.

Bookworms United – Our next book club meeting is Wednesday, June 23rd, at 10:30 am in the church parlour. We will be discussing CUTTING FOR STONE by Abraham Verghese. For more information, please contact Liz Spangler at spangler@upei.ca.

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.

Bulletin Deadline – Deadline for items to be placed in the bulletin is **Wednesday** evening. Bulletin items can be emailed to office@cquc.ca.

Community News

Camp Abby has need of one more Program Coordinator for this summer - Outdoor Life. This is a great role for anyone who has a love of the outdoors and has knowledge and experience to share with our campers about trees, plants, birds and all that the natural environment has to offer us. Go to www.campabby.ca or find us on FaceBook to see a fuller description of the position. If you are interested or have questions please contact Staff Chair, Pix at pixmpc@bellalaint.net.

QEH Foundation – Today, the QEH Foundation will be holding their **QEH Stream-a-thon**, a re-imagined community celebration of heroes from 2-4pm. This two-hour virtual event, sponsored by Eastlink Community TV, can be viewed online on the QEH Foundation's Facebook page, YouTube channel and on Eastlink Community TV, channels 10 and 610. All funds raised from this virtual event will support the purchase of priority medical equipment for the provincial Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at the QEH. You can phone in your support by calling during the broadcast toll free at 1-833-335-0545 or beforehand at 902-894-2425. Donate anytime online at www.qehfoundation.pe.ca. **Thank you and stay safe!**

West River United Church Annual Take-Out Lobster Supper - Please mark your calendars for the annual take-out supper scheduled for **Saturday June 26, 2021**. This is a lobster (shelled) cold plate (potato salad, coleslaw, lettuce, tomato, cucumber, roll, and cake for dessert.) **Cost \$25.00**. Tickets are now available from a variety of sources at WRUC. Please contact either Leah Eldershaw (902 213-6857, or email leah.eldershaw.wruc@xplornet.ca) or Valerie Acorn (902 213-5574 or 902 566-4432) to be connected with a seller in your area. Tickets will also be available at the church from 10:00 to 11:30 am each Saturday morning starting May 29th (other than the day of the dinner), or by phone or pickup through the church office. Pick up time for your dinners will be between 12:30 and 1:30 on June 26th.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

When you see litter in the streets
And the air smells of pollution
When you feel like it's all piling up
Remember there is a solution

There's something each of us can do
To keep rivers clean
To keep fresh the air that we breathe
And keep the forests green

Help clean a beach
Or recycle bottles and cans
Learn about the problems we face
And help others understand

It doesn't have to be a lot
If we each just do our share
So take time out on Earth Day
To show the Earth you care.

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