

Central Queens Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada  
November 28, 2021 – 10:30 am  
First Sunday in Advent – Hope

Baptism

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

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Bible Presentation

\*Introit                      Come and Fill Our Hearts                      MV #16

\*Call to Worship

A branch begins to bud -  
**we wait with hope.**  
A new day begins to dawn -  
**we wait with patience.**  
A life begins to heal -  
**we wait with prayer.**  
A heart begins to open -  
**we wait for God.**  
Come, let us worship God.

Music Video

Advent Candle Lighting - Hope

When the world seems scary  
When we try to escape and hide  
The Holy invites us to confront fear  
That we may find Hope

*(Light candle of Hope)*

So let us go inward, let us be quiet. Close your eyes, or focus on the candle, and find the hope that is inside.... Where is that hope that is inside of you? If you can't find it today, ask God to help you find it. Sit quietly and notice the hope....

*(a few moments of silence)*

**Jesus, help your light to shine in us as hope.**

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

\*Responsive Psalm 25:1-10                      VU #752

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please see insert

**Presentation of Our Gifts**

Offertory Invitation

Offertory                      God, We See What You Have Given                      Tune VU #260

God, we see what you have given;  
Signs of grace are everywhere!  
All around are gifts from heaven –  
Gifts enough for all to share.  
We are stewards of your bounty,  
Called to give as we've received;  
And your blessings have been plenty  
From the day we first believed.  
*Author: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette*

\*Presentation of Offering

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**O Faithful One, accept these gifts of our hearts and hands.  
May they be multiplied and magnified as the living presence of  
Christ in the world. Amen.**

**Listening for the Word**

**Sacred Word**

**Jeremiah 33:14-16  
Luke 21:25-36**

**Anthem**

**Sermon**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Responding to the Word**

**\*Hymn** O, a Song Must Rise MV #142

**\*Blessing**

Send us into the world refreshed in hope; awake, alert, and  
attuned to your presence; ready to join your work of blessing for  
all.  
**Amen.**

**\*Choral Benediction** Go Now in Peace

**Postlude**

\* Please stand as you are able

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**A Warm Welcome to All** – We are delighted you've joined us. May God's word today strengthen your faith, inspire curiosity and learning, and motivate your service of others. All are welcome.

**Today's Bulletins** are placed in loving memory of Pearl Crozier who passed away on November 26, 1995. Lovingly remembered by Dale, Anne and Heather Boswall.

**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](mailto:minister@cquc.ca) for an appointment.

**In-Church Services:** Registration is **required**. To register, please call 902-964-2221 or email [office@cquc.ca](mailto:office@cquc.ca). If you are registering **after 12 pm Thursday**, please text or call Velda at 902-940-7674. Masks are **required**. It was passed at the official Board meeting that masks are required to attend church services. This decision was made out of an abundance of precaution for the unvaccinated 5-11-year-old and immune compromised among us.

**Financial Update** *as of October 31, 2021* – 2021 is passing quickly and it has been another uncertain year. As of the end of October, we are running a deficit of \$15,000 – \$20,000. We do have a couple of fund-raisers lined up. If you are able help reduce our deficit, it would be appreciated. As our minister, Greg, says, "Give as you are able, give as you are called." Thank you. *Financial Team*

**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 if our church service is cancelled.

**CQUC Frozen Pie Pick-Up** – The frozen pies will be available for pick-up this Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 12 noon – 6 pm at the church.

**Scent-Free** – “*No scents makes good sense.*” Recognizing that some of our church attendees have sensitivity and/or allergic reactions to various fragrant products, you are asked not to use scented products. Thank you for your cooperation so that everyone can attend our church.

**E-Transfers** – Central Queens United Church is set up to accept E-Transfers. If you wish to give your offerings through E-Transfer, please send via email to [yeldabertram@gmail.com](mailto:yeldabertram@gmail.com).

**Roast Beef Fall Supper** profited \$8392.28. Thank you everyone for another successful fundraising event.

**FundScrip** – Janet will be placing an order today. Next order date will be December 12<sup>th</sup>. You can reach Janet by email ([jhowes1969@gmail.com](mailto:jhowes1969@gmail.com)) or by phone (902-393-1527). Ordering will be every 2 weeks. E-transfers accepted. Promotions for December are: Swiss Chalet/Montana's - 10%; Winner's/Homesense - 8%; Boston Pizza - 10%; Shell - 3%; Staples - 4%; Old Navy/Gap - up to 9%; Giant Tiger - 5%.

**A Walk on the Wild Side** – Join Greg in the church parlour this Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 10 am for the last session.

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

**Bookworms United** will discuss **The Rose Code** by Kate Quinn on Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, in the church parlour. All welcome! Contact Liz Spangler at [spangler@upie.ca](mailto:spangler@upie.ca) for more information.

**Youth Forum** – General Council 44 is coming up, and with that, comes the opportunity for youth between the ages of 15-19 to participate in Youth Forum! Home Group Leaders are also needed! Each region can send 4 participants to the event which takes place throughout the year. It is also an opportunity for employment! For more information on this or on how to access the application, please contact Rev. Catherine Stuart at [cstuart@united-church.ca](mailto:cstuart@united-church.ca) or call 1-800-268-3781 ext 6158.

**Gifts with Vision** are an opportunity for you to make a difference in someone's life. The Gifts with Vision catalogue and website are full of gifts that make a difference in people's lives throughout Canada and across the world. If you are searching for ways to help people whose lives are being significantly disrupted by COVID-19, both here in Canada and across the world, there are several online gifts that are directly related to challenges surrounding COVID-19. Each Gift with Vision provides support for specific Mission & Service partners for special projects. Select gifts online at [giftswithvision.ca](http://giftswithvision.ca) and help save and transform lives!

### Community News

**The 11th annual Drive Thru Living Nativity** will be taking place on December 3-5th from 5:30 to 8 pm at the home of Chrys and Doreen Jenkins at 6452 Rte 19 in Canoe Cove. There will be live animals, lots of lights, shepherds, kings, angels, Joseph, Mary, a Christmas choir. On Saturday there will also be drummers. Freewill donations will be accepted for the Lennon Recovery House – a recovery home on Prince Edward Island for those battling with addictions and their mental health available to Islanders that provides a safe, reliable home for those ready to get their life back.

**Christmas Trees** – Due to a Christmas tree plantation that needs thinning for a rider-way and wildlife, a lot of Christmas trees will be cut during December. If interested, you can collect one on any Saturday afternoon in December. They are free. Call David at 783-377-4203 to arrange pick up.



**Stratford Community Choir Concert** featuring Autumn and Christmas music, will be held on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm at Park Royal United Church. Tickets: \$15/adult; \$20/family available at the door or from choir members. All CPHO protocols will be followed. Masks and Vax Pass required.

**27<sup>th</sup> Annual Hospice PEI's Let Their Light Shine** will once again be able to take place this year in various locations including the Charlottetown Mall for the month of December on Mondays – Saturdays from 10 am – 8 pm and Sundays from 12 – 5 pm. Also, at the Summerside Superstore from November 22<sup>nd</sup> – December 5<sup>th</sup> on Mondays – Saturdays from 10 am – 6 pm and Sundays from 12 – 6 pm. Grieving the loss of a loved one is always hard during the holidays, but even more so due to the pandemic. This year, the Memory Forest will be dedicated to all those who have lost a loved one throughout these past 20 months.

### **DAILY ADVENT PRAYER**

*By: Fr. Henri JM Nouwen*

Lord Jesus,  
Master of both the light and the darkness,  
send Your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas.  
We who have so much to do seek quiet spaces  
to hear Your voice each day.  
We who are anxious over many things  
look forward to Your coming among us.  
We who are blessed in so many ways  
long for the complete joy of Your Kingdom.  
We whose hearts are heavy  
seek the joy of Your presence.  
We are Your people,  
walking in darkness,  
yet seeking light.  
To You we say, "Come Lord Jesus!"

