

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
July 24, 2022 – 10:30 am

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Pride 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.

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

Call to Worship

Gathered together, we proclaim the Good News of God publicly, intentionally, and explicitly:

This community joyfully affirms God's love for all people.

The presence of God welcomes the fullness of who we are.

We are people who desire. Who long. Who practice love in many ways.

We celebrate love that is platonic and love that is erotic.

Love in all its ways and expressions.

We are people who want to know and be known - for who we've been, who we are, and who we are becoming.

We honor identities in transition. We delight in authentic self-expression.

Whether trans¹ or intersex² or cis³, God moves in our becoming.

How wonderful are the many works of God's creative hand!

May all who long for Love's embrace feel their Holy worth.

Let us worship the God's whose name is Love.

*Hymn Draw the Circle Wide MV #145

Opening Prayer

Beloved God, your embrace is a refuge from violence and hatred. Those who have been turned away, forgotten, or persecuted find belonging in you. We hope to embody such love in this place. May we be a sanctuary, a shelter, a safe place to turn. May we endeavor to learn from each other and grow together in love that protects and uplifts.

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

Responsive Reading – Psalm 121 VU #844 & 845

*Hymn God of the Sparrow VU #229 vs 1 - 4

All God's Children

*Hymn God of the Sparrow VU #229 vs 5 & 6

Call to Confession

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

God, who made me in Your image,
teach me to love myself as You love me.

God, who made me in Your image,
allow me to show that image to the world.

God who made me in Your image,
help me to see Your image in all those I meet.

God, who made me in Your image,
teach me to conserve and protect all Your creation.

God, who made me in Your image,
bles, protect, and keep me and all Your children safe.

Assurance of Amazing Love

The One who breathed life into our lungs continues to be present with us. God, who has made us reflective of God's own image, has made us new creations. Therefore, as embraced folk, to let us go forth with love and peace, honoring and upholding the dignity of all we meet, welcoming all we meet, knowing, in each one, we see reflections of God's image.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Video Presentation

Sisters Let Us Walk Together

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Presentation of Offering You Nourish Us VU #545

Offertory Prayer

God of Justice, even as we celebrate your love for all, and especially the LGBTQ2+ ⁴ we remember the church has not always done so. We acknowledge the harm that continues to be done in your name today. As we bring our offerings, we also bring a renewed commitment to interrupting prejudice and practicing solidarity. We press on together until people of every sexual orientation and gender identity can live freely and without fear, receiving the love and support all people deserve. Thanks be to you, our guide and our help in making it so. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Sacred Word

Micah 4:1-5 *Peace and Security through Obedience*
1 Corinthians 12:12-27 *One Body with Many Members*

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Responding to the Word

*Hymn Though Ancient Walls VU #691

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction Behold, Behold I Make All Things New MV #115

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

Terms Used in this Worship:

¹ Trans - People whose gender identity is the opposite of their assigned sex (trans men and trans women).

² Intersex - A person born with a combination of male and female biological traits.

³ Cis- Whatever gender you are now is the same as what was presumed for you at birth.

⁴LGBTQ2+ - acronym that stands for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer or Questioning, and Two-Spirit.

Ministers All of us
Clergy **Rev Greg Davis**
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 9 am – 12 pm
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 9 am – 12 pm
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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.

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: Masks are recommended but are not required.

Sunday School will be resuming on Sunday, September 18th. Anyone wishing to help with this important ministry, please contact the church office.

Central Queens United Church Annual Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, August 13th, at the church from 8 am – 1 pm. Set up will be on Friday, August 12th, at 9:30 am. A huge variety of items including baked goods and plants at great prices. Come early for best selection! Anyone donating items can do so during the week during office hours.

YARDSALE

FundScrip – Janet will be placing an order today. The next order date will be Sunday, August 7th. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted. Promotion for July - Indigo 7%.

FündScrip

Central Queens Dinner Theater will be presenting "HEE HAW" on September 15th, 16th, and 17th at 7 pm. Included is a three-course roast beef dinner. If you would like to put your name on the list, contact Lois at 902-621-0669.

Scent-Free – "*No scents makes good sense*" recognizing that some of our church attendees have sensitivity and/or allergic reactions to various fragrant products. Thank you for your cooperation so that everyone can attend our church.

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.

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 veldabertram@gmail.com.

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



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

Bookworms United – Bookworms United is on vacation for the summer months. See you in the Fall!

Camp Abby – Registration is open. To register, please visit their website at www.campabegweit.ca and click on "Register Today".

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Community News

Lady Singers of our Century Reunion Concert at Winsloe United Church on Sunday, July 31st, at 7 pm. Admission is \$20 at the door; doors open at 6:30 pm. Winsloe United Church is located at 121 Winsloe Rd-Rte 223.

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Monday, August 1, at 7:00 p.m. Featuring Tip-Er-Back and Colleen MacPhee. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

