

**Central Queens Pastoral Charge  
United Church of Canada**

**June 12, 2022**

**10:30 a.m.**

**Trinity Sunday**

**97th Anniversary of Church Union (June 10)**

**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**

There was a person who did such amazing things - said such wonderful things - that great crowds of people followed him everywhere. One day they ask him, "Who are you?" He said, "I am the light."

**Quiet Preparation for Worship** (Bible is brought forward during the quiet time)

**\*Introit**

**"Come Touch Our Hearts"**

**MV #12 vv.1, 2**

## **Call to Worship**

Wisdom calls and understanding speaks.

**Majestic God, we recognize your voice.**

Creation declares your glory and humanity marvels at your care.

**Merciful God, we rejoice at your works.**

Peace, endurance, character, and hope are gifts.

**Mysterious God, we receive your love in thanksgiving.**

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

## **Opening Prayer**

**God our Potter, God who becomes clay, God who shapes us in the fire, we are made new in your presence. We come seeking your wisdom, crying out our concerns, needing your peace. Use this time to form us as community, connected through your breath, life, and hope that propels us as your body in the world. Amen.**

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

## **Lord’s Prayer**

**Our Father, which art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come,  
thy will be done on earth,  
as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,**

**but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.**

## **Psalm 8**

VU #732

**\*Hymn** “When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace” MV #136 vv. 1, 2

## **All God’s Children**

**\*Hymn** “When Hands Reach Out and Fingers Trace” MV #136 vv. 4, 5

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, we confess that we do not always heed the wisdom you impart. We turn toward other marks and means to validate rather than toward you. We remain in awe of our own creation while devouring and destroying yours. Continue to call us, we pray, and to surprise and delight us at your wonder and beauty. May we always be at awe at your way of love and humbled by your nearness. Let our character be shaped toward hope and reflect your peace. Amen.**

### **Assurance of Amazing Love**

Receive the peace extended to us from the God of Love. The one who joins our embodied experience and who invites us to share the hope of the resurrected life in which we are made new and whole.



“The LORD created me at the beginning of his work,  
the first of God's acts of long ago.  
Ages ago I was set up,  
at the first, before the beginning of the earth.  
When there were no depths I was brought forth,  
when there were no springs abounding with water.  
Before the mountains had been shaped,  
before the hills, I was brought forth,  
when God had not yet made earth and fields  
or the world's first bits of soil.  
When God established the heavens, I was there;  
when God drew a circle on the face of the deep,  
and made firm the skies above,  
when God established the fountains of the deep,  
and assigned to the sea its limit,  
so that the waters might not transgress the command,  
when God marked out the foundations of the earth,  
then I was there, like a master worker,  
and I was God's daily delight,  
playing before God always,  
playing in the inhabited world  
and delighting in the human race.

## **John 16:12–15**

I have much more to tell you, but you can't bear to hear it now.

When the Spirit of truth comes, she will guide you into all truth. She won't speak on her own initiative; rather, she will speak only what she hears, and she'll announce to you things that are yet to come. In doing this, the Spirit will give glory to me, for she will take what is mine and revealed it to you. Everything that ABBA God has belongs to me. This is why I said that the spirit will take what is mine and reveal it to you.

### **Anthem**

### **Sermon**

### **Reflective Music**

### **Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession**

Holy God, Holy One and Holy Three,  
we bless you for bringing us into relationship with you,  
offering us the same unity in love you share as the blessed Trinity.  
Help your church in all its branches discover the unity for which  
Christ prayed.

May our unity in Christ show the world how to overcome divisions  
and enjoy the diverse gifts you have created in us.

By your Spirit, equip us to explore unity in diversity  
through local mission and ministry.

God, the Three in One,  
**Hear our prayer.**

God of one loving heart,  
draw the human diverse family together in the love that unites us  
with you.

We pray for our nation and our local communities  
in this time when different experience and opinions  
so easily divide us.

Where we have acted without regard for the needs of others,  
inspire us to work for justice and fairness.

Where we have been blind to the pain of the oppressed,  
open our eyes to opportunities for reconciliation and caring.

Guide the peoples of Canada to establish relationships of mutual  
respect and honour with indigenous communities, and celebrate  
our diverse gifts together.

God, the Three in One,  
**Hear our prayer.**

God who wears the many faces of hope,  
we pray for all who feel despair or anxiety in these challenging  
days.

Lift up in love those who find their illness unrelieved.

Comfort those who grieve the loss of someone dear or some  
important opportunity.

Support those who are denied dignity by the attitudes or actions  
of others and sustain those who long for healing of some kind.

Hear us in this time of silence as we name before those on our  
hearts this day:

*Keep silence*

May they know your loving care upholding their lives.

God, the Three in One,

**Hear our prayer.**

God in community,

thank you for the communion we share in our congregation.

Strengthen us in faithful worship

and equip us for service in changing times and challenging days.

We offer our prayers, spoken and unspoken,

as the Spirit prays within us,

in the name of Jesus, who is the Christ. Amen.

### **Responding to the Word**

**\*Hymn** “Spirit Dancing”

VU #388

**\*Benediction**

May the God of Peace assure you. May the God of Life invigorate you. May the God of Wind direct you. Go, in peace and hope, to transform your community and the world to the glory of God.

**\*Choral Benediction**

“Peace Be with You”

MV #215

**Postlude**

\*Please stand as you are able.