

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
April 23, 2023 – 10:30 am

Third Sunday of Easter

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

Bible Presentation

***Introit** Bless the Lord (Taizé) x 4

Call to Worship

We have come from many places, following different roads.

We come hungering for greater understanding.

We have come to hear the wisdom of Scripture.

We come seeking companions on our journey.

We have come to discover the One revealed in the breaking of the bread.

We come to grow as followers of the Christ.

Come, let us worship God, made known in Christ Jesus.

***Hymn** We Are One VU #402 vs 1, 2 & 4

Prayer of Approach

Loving God, we welcome your living presence in our midst.

Share our joy and our thanks for the life you give us.

Sing with us! Dance among us! Pray with us!

Shower us with your love!

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

Responsive Reading – Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 VU #836

***Hymn** One More Step Along the World I Go VU #639 vs 1, 2 & 3

All God's Children

Hymn One More Step Along the World I Go VU #639 vs 4 & 5

Children may retire to Sunday School

Call to Transformation and New Life

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

Week by week we open our lives before you, acknowledging ways we sometimes lose track of you. We are driven and feel busy so we let other things come before you in our lives.

Changes upend us and we don't know where to turn.

Forgive us when we forget that you are with us day by day.

Renew us in your love, we pray.

Assurance of God's Unending Love

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

***Presentation of Offering** We Give You But Your Own VU #542

***Offertory Prayer**

Generous God, you bless us with life, purpose, and opportunities to serve in the world you love. We offer you our gifts in Christ’s name, not seeking greater gain, but desiring to enrich life around us with your love. Amen

Listening for the Word

Sacred Scripture

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 *Three Thousand New Followers of the Way*
Luke 24:13-35 *Jesus’ Appearance on the Road to Emmaus*

Anthem

Sarah Weeks

Sermon

Reflective Music

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Responding to God’s Word

***Hymn** Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song VU #641

***Blessing**

***Choral Benediction** Go to the World VU #420 vs 2

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

Ministers

All of us

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A Warm Welcome to All – We are delighted you have 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 Sheldon Moore. Lovingly remembered by Lois, Brian, Janet, Fred, Alyssa and Kaylee.

Today’s bulletins are also placed in loving memory of brother, Allen Ling. Lovingly remembered by Melvin, Debbie and family.

Today’s bulletins are also placed in loving memory of Archie Vickerson. Lovingly remembered by Walter and Pat Carver and family.

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 not required.

FundScrip – The next order date is Sunday, April 30th. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.



E-Transfers – Central Queens United Church is set up to accept E-Transfers. If you prefer 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.

Food Bank – Please remember to support the Food Bank with non-perishable food items. You can drop them off any Sunday or during church office hours in the wooden box at the church entrance.

Bookworms United is meeting this Thursday, April 27th, in the church parlour. We are reading *Bound* by Theresa Redmond, a historical novel set in PEI in the late 1700s. Thanks to Mo, the author will be joining us!!

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

Scent-Free – “No scents make good sense”

Please refrain from wearing scented products such as perfume, cologne, and fragrant personal care products as they can trigger serious health issues for those with fragrance allergies. Thank you for your cooperation so that everyone can attend our church.

Pop Can Pull Tabs – Remember your 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 go to the Shriners Hospital in Montreal where they are used to buy reading materials for children in the hospital. Your pull tab collections can be dropped off at the church. Thank you.

Puzzle Exchange – There is a cart in the foyer with lots of jigsaw puzzles. Help yourself to a puzzle and/or bring one for someone to do. Making puzzles is a wonderful activity.



Youth @ Region (formerly I@C and YF) will be happening this year during the regional meeting at UPEI in Charlottetown. Y@R is a place of community and a place of faith where United Church youth, between grade 6 and grade 12, meet from across New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, and the Gaspé. It takes place during the Annual Meeting of Fundy St. Lawrence Dawning Waters Regional Council (FSLDW), which is a gathering of representatives who make decisions and set policies for the United Church of Canada. The group creates an inclusive, diverse, and safe community for youth in the name of Christ. We provide a place for youth to explore their faith and to learn more about the United Church of Canada while sharing in music, worship, and fun in a spirit-filled community. If there are questions/concerns, please contact me, Catherine Stuart, cstuart@united-church.ca.

Register here: https://ucceast.ca/77877-youthregion-may-26-28-2023-university-of-prince-edward-island?#gf_531

Camp Abby Camp Clean Up – The snow is melting; the road is drying up and camping is just around the corner.

Saturday, April 29th, will be Camp Clean Up/Open day. They are looking for volunteers to help get Camp Abby ready to greet their excited campers and staff. If you have any amount of time on this day to help them out, they would greatly appreciate it. They will be there from 9 am to 3 pm. Bring your bucket, shop vac and lunch and join them at Camp Abby. If you have any questions, please contact Board Chair, Sharon Howatt, at vshowatt@pei.sympatico.ca.

Community News

Winsloe United Church Winter Series Ceilidh on Sunday, April 30th, at 2 pm. Host Eddy Quinn welcomes special guests Peggy Clinton and Johnny Ross plus guest drummer and vocalist Billy Matthews. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.