

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
August 13, 2023 – 10:30 am

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

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

***Call to Worship**

Let the peoples praise you,
let all peoples praise you!
Let the nations be glad and sing with joy,
for you guide the nations upon earth.
Let the people praise you,
let all peoples praise you!

Prayer of Gathering

Dear God, you invite all people to receive your blessing. Justice and right relations have their source in you. We rejoice to be counted among your children. Make us one in worship and thanksgiving. We lift our voices to proclaim your all-encompassing love. May our praise join with the praise of all your people and reach the ends of the earth, for you are our hope. Amen.

Hymn Spirit, Open My Heart

MV #79

Learning with Children

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Confession

We confess that we do not always live as Jesus taught us to live - times we have not welcomed others; times we have avoided others because something about them aroused discomfort. Forgive us when we have judged unfairly. Reveal our prejudice which separates us from others and our failure to seek goodness in those who seem different. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Sacred Scripture

Romans 10:5-15

Psalm 105 Part One & Two VU #828-829

Matthew 14:22-33

Hymn Jesus, You Have Come to the Lakeshore VU #563

Sermon

**We Respond to God's Word
Offering Ourselves
For The Work and Witness Of The Church**

Invitation to Offering

Presentation of Offering

***Offertory Prayer**

We place our hope and trust in your loving kindness, leaning on you for all our needs. Because we want to praise you with more than mere words, we bring our gifts to support Christ’s mission in the world. Bless these gifts and use our energy for your good purposes, so that all the world will know your loving kindness. Amen.

Meditation Music *“Any Dream Will Do” (A. Lloyd Webber)*

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

We Depart to Serve with Joy

***Hymn** My Love Colours Outside the Lines MV #138

***Benediction**

Now go, to serve as God's people.
We will work to remove all that divides us from others.
Now go, to share the grace of Jesus.
We will love others just as we are loved.
Now go, to be the Spirit's community.
We will invite everyone to join us in this life of faith and service.

***Choral Amen**

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

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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.

Thank You – The congregation of Central Queens United Church would like thank Kirk Neville for leading us in worship this morning.

Vacation – Greg and Ellen Davis are away on vacation until September 5th. David Butterfield will be leading us in worship next Sunday, August 20th.

Life and Work of Our Church

In the Event of an Emergency – Rev. Eric Lynk is the on-call minister who will be available for emergencies while Greg is away. In the event of an emergency, please contact Don Rodd, Clerk of Session, at 902-393-3510.

Sunday School Leader & Teachers Needed – We are looking for people to lead and help with our Sunday School ministry. If this is something that you have a gift/talent for or feel called to do, please contact church office. Help us to continue this very important ministry. Sunday School opening will be on September 17th.

Rosewood Service will be held on Thursday, August 17th, at 6:30 pm. The elders will be leading the service.

FundScrip – The next order date is Sunday, August 20th. 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.

Central Queens Dinner Theater will be presenting “The 50’s and 60’s” on September 14th, 15th, & 16th at 7 pm. Included is a three-course roast beef dinner. Cost: \$32.50/adult. Contact Lois at 902-621-0669 to get your tickets. Tickets are going fast!

Church Roof Fundraiser – A huge thank you goes out to all who’ve contributed over \$16,000 towards our \$18,000 fundraising goal!!

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.

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.

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.

Camp Abby – A copy of their list of most needed items is posted on the bulletin board by the office. To register, visit their website at www.campabegweit.ca and click on “Register Today”. Brochures are available on the table in the foyer.

Camp Abby has one more opportunity for families to experience the camping experience this summer. Family Camp will be held from September 1st – 3rd. Each family gets their own cabin for the weekend. There is room for 5 more families.

What does it include?

- A chance to relax and have fun with your children at our beautiful facility.
- There will be programming for the children which gives you a chance to have some social time with the other parents while you children are being supervised.
- All meals and snacks are prepared for you.
- And much more.....

If you would like more information, contact our register at campabbyregister@gmail.com

Camp Abby

Are you able to help with the financial costs to send a child to camp? Requests have doubled from what they were for all of last year. Camp Abby’s philosophy is that every child has the opportunity to come to camp and that they will help in any way that they can. If you are able to donate to this part of their camping ministry, it would be greatly appreciated. Money can be sent to: Sharon Howatt, 1491 Waterview Road-Rte 120, Summerside, PE C1N 4J8.

Community News

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Sunday, August 20th, at 7 pm. Host Dino Dunsford welcomes special guest the Chad Matthews Band, featuring Chad Matthews, Danalee Lynch-Veinot, and Steven Perry. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 6:30 pm.

St. John's Anglican Church Annual Blueberry Social will be held at the Milton Community Hall, Tuesday, August 22nd, from 5 - 6:30 pm. Enjoy a delicious buffet of sandwiches and desserts. Take-outs are also available. Admission is \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 12.

Epilepsy Association of the Maritimes Annual PEI 2K or 5K Purple Hike for Epilepsy on Saturday, August 26th, (rain date- Sunday, August 27th) at Connaught Square, corner of Pownal St and Richmond St. Registration starts at 9:30 am, hike will begin at 10 am. BBQ and refreshments to follow the hike. You can register/pledge the day of the hike.

LANDSCAPES

The landscape of a day
is never barren . . .
upon each hour is painted
at least one gift –
the sunrise of a smile,
the rainbow of a wish,
the gentle, peaceful sunset
of contentment –
God gives us beauty
for all our days
in small and unexpected ways
to bless the heart
and lift the spirit skyward.

By: B. J. Hoff

I sing for joy at the works of your hands. Psalm 92:4