

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

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Creation 1

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 (*Placed during the singing of the Introit*)

***Introit** Rise Up, Rise Up MV #130

***Call to Worship**

Sing to the Lord a new song.

We will worship God, our Maker!

Let us praise God with song and dance,

For God is gracious and loving!

Let us bring God glory and honour,

For God deserves our praise.

***Hymn** O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing VU #326

Prayer of Approach

God of grace and glory,

Your creative power is beyond imagining.

Your love is wider than the whole universe;

Your love reaches beyond the highest heavens;

Your wisdom lies deeper than the fathoms of the sea.

Maker of all things, you became one of us in Jesus the Christ,
walking the roads we take each day.

Through your Spirit, you are present with us in every time and
place, to comfort and challenge us.

We worship you, Creator, Christ, and Spirit.

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

Responsive Reading - Psalm 149 VU #873

***Hymn** Tell Me the Stories of Jesus VU #357

All God's Children

Children may retire to Sunday School

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*** Presentation of Offering** What Can I Do? MV #191

***Offertory Prayer**

**Gracious God, receive these gifts, offered in a spirit of
generosity and humility. Bless and use them for the work that
you long to do in the world you love. Amen.**

Listening for the Word

Sacred Scripture

Exodus 12:1-14

Matthew 18:15-20

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to the Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn Spirit God, Be Our Breath MV #150

*Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction Deep in Our Hearts MV #154 vs 1

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.

Today's Bulletins are placed in loving memory of George Ernest (Ernie) Carver. Lovingly remembered by Walter & Pat Carver and family.

Today's Bulletins are also placed in loving memory of Barbara Reid. Lovingly remembered by Walter & 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.

FundScrip – The next order date is Sunday, September 17th. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.

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Sunday School Opening – Sunday School will begin next Sunday, September 17th.

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.

Rosewood Service will be held on Thursday, September 21st, at 6:30 pm. The choir will assist Greg in leading the service.

Official Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 21st, at 7:15 pm at the church. All are welcome.

Central Queens Dinner Theater will be presenting "The 50's and 60's" this Thursday, September 14th, Friday, September 15th, & Saturday, September 16th at 7 pm. Included is a three-course roast beef dinner.

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 signup 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.

Community News

Author Celebration & Open House – Join Karen at her home (1561 Route 225, North Wiltshire) for cake and punch this afternoon, September 10th, from 2:30-4:30 pm. Rev Dr Karen MacLeod-Wilkie turned to novel writing a few years ago as another way of sharing her faith through story. You are invited to celebrate with Karen the completion of her fifth novel. Books will be available for sale/signing. \$22 each.

Cancer.....What would you give so that your friends and family would never have to hear that word? What would you be willing to do to help find a cure? An hour or two of your time and a few kilometers can help do just that. Sunday, September 17th, is the Hunter River Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research. Join your friends, family, and neighbors at the Dr. Kent G. Ellis Heritage Park. Registration starts at 1:30 pm with a 2 pm start for the 1km, 2km or 5km, walk/run or bike. Challenge your friends, family, and co-workers to join you. You can register online at <https://run.terryfox.ca/29077> or pick up a pledge sheet at the Hunter River Municipal Office (19816 Route 2). For more information, contact Sarah at 902-621-2170 or email admin.hunter.river@gmail.com. Help us carry on the legacy Terry Fox has left for all of us....help find a cure for cancer.

THROUGH ALL LIFE’S CHANGING SEASONS

Life’s seasons seem to change and flow so quickly –
One day we realize we’re growing old;
The springtime of our years has long since faded,
And the summer sun has turned to autumn’s gold,
We seem to feel life slipping through our fingers,
And we clutch each moment tightly till it’s gone,
As if we could somehow hold on forever
And make this present joy shine on and on.
I’m grateful that my life was planned and fashioned
By a God of no beginning and no end,
A God to whom a lifetime is a brief touch,
No more than one soft whisper on the wind.
For this God, Lord of all life’s changing seasons,
Lord of everything that’s been and what will be,
Has promised me, when winter’s finally over,
An endless spring in his eternity.

By: B.J. Hoff

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the hearts of men. Ecclesiastes 3:11