

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
January 28, 2024 – 10:30 am

Fourth after Epiphany

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

Welcome in the name of the Christ.

Welcome to this place of worship, situated on the unceded traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people.

Welcome to this place of retreat and refuge, worship, and wonder.

It is good to be here.

It is indeed good to be together.

Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Bible Presentation (*Placed during the singing of the Introit*)

*Introit Will You Come and Follow Me VU #567 vs 1

*Call to Worship

Friends, for the sake of love, we are here

Gathering as the body of Christ

Reflecting on our call to be the church

Deciding how best to embody Christ in the world

Striving for justice, compassion,

Humility, and peace

Letting the unity of our oneness in Jesus draw us together, let us worship God in heart, soul and spirit.

*Hymn We are One VU #402

Prayer of Approach

Called by you, Creator, Christ and Spirit, we seek to be a bold and connected church. We are part of a large group of communities of faith: diverse, courageous, hope-filled communities united in deep spirituality, inspiring worship and daring justice. Help us, loving God, to discern our place in this church: as individuals and as a community of faith right here, right now.

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

Responsive Reading – Psalm 33 VU #760 - 761

*Hymn I'm Gonna Shout, Shout MV #183

All God's Children

Music as the Children leave

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Presentation of Offering We Will Take What You Offer MV #196

***Offertory Prayer**

Gracious and loving God, bless the gifts we offer as one body of Christ. We pray they bring healing and hope to everyone whose lives they touch. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Sacred Scripture

1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 31

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to the Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

***Hymn** We Have This Ministry VU #510

Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

***Benediction**

Let us go from here seeking justice, loving kindness, and living humbly with God

Let us go and be the church for the sake of love.

And now may God our Creator, Jesus our Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit our Sustainer be and abide with all of us this day, this year, and forevermore. Amen.

***Choral Benediction** Halle, Halle, Halle VU #958

Postlude

* Please stand as you are able

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All of us

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Bulletin - Today's bulletin is placed in memory of J. Allan Smith, lovingly remembered by Wanda and family.

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.

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 – Janet will be placing an order today. The next order date is Sunday, February 4th. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.



Sunday School has resumed. If you would like to help with this important ministry, please contact Greg at 902-964-2291 or by email at minister@cquc.ca. Help us to continue this ministry for our children.

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.

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.

Sunday Worship Cancellations – In the event of inclement weather, an announcement will be made by radio on Ocean 100 by 9 am. It will also be posted on our website and Facebook page if our church service is cancelled.

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.

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

Puzzle/Book Exchange – To complement our puzzle exchange, we now have a library where you can share books. Be sure to check it out! Help yourself to a puzzle and/or book or bring some of your own favorites to share!! The puzzle exchange is located in the main lobby and the book exchange is located in the main hall.

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

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.

Annual Meeting – The Annual Meeting is today, January 28th, after the worship service following sandwiches and sweets. Copies of the annual reports are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Church Calendar Fund-raiser – We have a few extra calendars available. Anyone interested in having one can pick them up in the Church office. Cost: \$10 each

Community News

Park Royal United Church – “Take-Out Roast Beef Dinner” on Saturday, February 17th with pick up times of 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. Get some friends together at your home for a delicious post-Valentine meal of tender roast beef, potatoes, carrots, turnip, peas, roll and a decadent BIG cupcake for dessert. Tickets available by calling Church office at 902-894-9656 or by emailing: officeparkroyal@eastlink.ca \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. We do accept e-transfers at our email address.

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No Mistakes

When my hopes fade and my dreams die.
And I find no answer by asking why.
I just keep on trusting and hang on to my faith.
Because God is just, He never makes mistakes.
Should the storms come and trials I must face.
When I find no solution, I rest in God’s grace.
When life seems unfair and more than I can take.
I look up to the Father, He never makes mistakes.
God sees our struggles and every bend in the road.
But no mistake is ever made cause He weighs every load.

By: *Lenora McWhorter*