

**Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada
July 7, 2024 – 10:30 am**

Seventh 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.

The Community Gathers

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 Introit)*

***Introit** Breath of God, Breath of Peace

MV #24 vs 3

***Call to Worship** *(inspired by Psalm 48)*

Great is the Holy One who sits sovereign and near!

The earth rejoices on the holy mountain, at the heights and depths of God's love.

We gather, we observe, we recognize, we ponder the wonders of Creator's majesty!

God's name, like your praise, reaches to the ends of the earth.

The mighty deeds of power astound and amaze. We remember and recount from generation to generation!

Our Guide reigns forever and ever. Praise our God!

***Hymn** Dear Weaver of Our Lives' Design

VU #623

Prayer of Approach

Powerful One, we come into this gathering humbled by your presence among us, grateful for the companionship of your people, and eager to worship your name. As we tell your story anew, we enter your story as the objects of your attention, love, and care. May we know you more deeply and clearly. May we be transformed and transfixed by the mystery of you. May we be inspired by your deeds of power to be instruments of your reign in the world. Empower us, O Holy One.

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

Responsive Reading – Psalm 48

VU #772-773

***Hymn** Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

VU #357 vs 1-3

All God's Children

Hymn Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

VU #357 vs 4 & 5

Presentation of Our Gifts

Offertory Invitation

***Offertory** Behold, Behold, I Make All Things New MV #115

***Presentation of Offering**

***Offering Prayer**

Creator, all we have emanates from you and your creation. Receive these gifts we give with thanksgiving and hope for a shared future without lack, disparities, and unmet needs. Amen.

Listening for God's Word

Prayer for Understanding

Sacred Word

**2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13**

Anthem

Sermon

Reflective Music

Responding to God's Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

***Hymn** I Heard the Voice of Jesus VU #626

***Changing of the Light**

***Blessing**

***Choral Benediction** Go, Make a Difference MV #209

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. If you are looking for a church home, we would like to invite you to consider us your spiritual family. All are welcome in this place.

Today's Bulletins are placed in loving memory of Herbert Schnurr (July 3, 1905 – January 4, 1995). Lovingly remembered by daughter, Margaret Prouse 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.

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.

FundScrip – Janet will be placing an order today. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted. The next order date is Sunday, July 21st.

Congratulations Grads!! – Congratulations to our recent graduates: High School Graduates: Zack Stead and Annika Trivers. Post- Secondary Education Graduates: Olivia Ling-Holland College; Kimberley Taweel-UPEI-MA of Education; and MacKayla Vos-UPEI-Nursing, and to anyone else we may have overlooked. Congratulations on your well-deserved success!!

Rosewood Service will be held on Thursday, July 18th, at 6:30 pm. The UC Men will be assisting Greg with the service.

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.

Service of Dedication – On Sunday, July 28th, at 7 pm we will be having a Service of Dedication of the quilt which is hanging up in the Main Foyer. This quilt was created in 1930 by the great grandmother of Helen MacEwen, Mary Ann Smith-Carew. All are welcome.

Central Queens' Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, August 10th, from 8 – 11:30 am. Anyone who would like to donate items may drop them off during office hours. Please place them in the first classroom.

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.

Camp Abby needs your assistance to help keep their weekly costs down. If you can donate, please leave your items on the cart in the main foyer. Items that have been donated will be taken to Camp Abby next week so please have your donations in by **Tuesday, July 9th**.

Urgent Help Request – Camp Abby's summer program has begun, and they are in need of a full-time or part-time kitchen helper, a lifeguard, and a cleaner to assist them between camps and rentals. The cleaner position would be 6-8 hrs during the weekend. If you know of anyone who would be interested or needs more information, please contact Sharon Howatt at vshowatt@edu.pe.ca or 902-432-9193 or Elizabeth Wall at 902-210-1710.

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

Office Church Directory – In an effort to keep contact information as up to date as possible, please give Trudy any changes to your contact information. If you would like to be added to our directory, please contact Trudy at office@cquc.ca or you can call her during office hours at 902-964-2221. Thank you.

Save the Date – **Central Queens Dinner Theatre** on September 12th, 13th & 14th at 7 pm. Theme is “George, Tammy and Friends”. If you would like to put your name on the list, please call Lois at 902-621-0669.

Puzzle/Book Exchange – Be sure to check out the wide variety of books and puzzles available in the main hall. Help yourself to a puzzle and/or book or bring some of your own to share!!

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

Community News

Charlottetown Pride Parade on Saturday, July 20th, at 12 noon. If you wish to participate and show a strong United Church presence, please arrive at 11:15 am at the parade gathering area – enter at Terry Fox Run. Wear your pride t-shirts and/or hats, bring along pride flags, etc. (Please note that there is not parking in that space). Otherwise, come and enjoy the parade.

A THANKFUL HEART

Take nothing for granted, for whenever you do,
The joy of enjoying is lessened for you.
For we rob our own lives much more than we know
When we fail to respond or in any way show
Our thanks for the blessings that daily are ours—
The warmth of the sun, the fragrance of flowers,
The beauty of twilight, the freshness of dawn,
The coolness of dew on a green velvet lawn,
The kind little deeds so thoughtfully done,
The favors of friends and the love that someone
Unselfishly gives us in a myriad of ways,
Expecting no payment and no words of praise.
Oh, great is our loss when we no longer find
A thankful response to things of this kind.
For the joy of enjoying and the fullness of living
Are found in the heart that is filled with thanksgiving.

By: Helen Steiner Rice