

CENTRAL QUEENS UNITED CHURCH

September 15, 2024 – 10:30 am

Seventeenth 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.

Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada

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 Come All You People

MV #2

*Call to Worship

Come, people of God, worship the One who listens to our prayers.

We will worship the One who hears us.

Come, people of God, worship the One who watches over us.

We will worship the One who cares deeply for us all.

Come, people of God, worship the One who offers life for all.

We will offer thanks and praise to the One who gives us life.

Church Office

Office Hours Wednesday & Thursday
 9 am – 12 pm
Phone 902-964-2221
Email office@cquc.ca

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 Barbara Ann Ried. 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.

Central Queens United Church Anniversary – Let us celebrate and remember the official opening of our church on September 16, 2007.

Sunday School Leader & Helpers are Needed – Sunday School will be resuming next Sunday, September 22nd. We are looking for someone to lead Sunday School and others to help out. Please contact the church office if you can help with this very important ministry.

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.

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, September 29th.

Rosewood Service will be held on Thursday, September 19th, at 6:30 pm. The Choir will be assisting Greg in leading the service.

Official Board Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19th, at 7:15 pm at the church. All are welcome to attend.

Bookworms United - Our first meeting back will be held on Friday, September 20th, at 10 am at Chestnut Lane Bed and Breakfast (20493 Route 2, Hazel Grove). A light breakfast will be served. New members are always welcome. RSVP mjbatuszkin@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.

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

Camp Abegweit Fundraising Dinner – Reserve Saturday, September 28th, at 6 pm for Camp Abby's Fundraising Dinner. They will be serving a Chicken dinner (soup, chicken dinner and dessert) and having a Silent Auction and Cake Auction. Cost: \$40/adult; \$20/child. Tickets can be paid for in advance (e-transfer to donations@campabby.ca) or at the door. Contact Sharon Howatt at vshowatt@pei.sympatico.ca to purchase tickets.

Community News

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh on Sunday, September 22nd, at 2 pm. Host Dino Dunsford welcomes special guests Ricky and Sandra Jones. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.

Mission and Service – A Journey of Faith and Peace

“Systems of injustice can only be resolved with community and partnership”

Sophie Fitzgerald was one of two United Church young adults selected to attend the Minority Youth Forum in Japan, hosted by the Center for Minority Issues and Mission.

Sophie writes about her experience:

“As a young woman in my 20s who has lived and grown up in the United Church, I have always felt God's call to spread God's love and peace in any way that I can. Being involved with many organizations and missions with the church, I've had the privilege to do this many

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times in many provinces across Canada but never internationally, until this past March where God called me to travel to Miyakojima Island.

“On a tour of the island, we saw exactly what the Japanese military is doing to Miyakojima. We saw how they are taking the beautiful beaches and using them as training camps, putting up missile bunkers in the middle of town next to peoples' homes and so much more. We sat and talked about how our generation can help the people of Miyakojima have peace once again, and how peace cannot be created with military and military weapons. Throughout these conversations and visits to these sites you could feel an overwhelming presence of our Creator and was saddened when coming to the terms that everything beautiful that God created was being destroyed and will be destroyed if war does occur.

“We all need to come together to be a community, a community of God's children striving to seek peace in the world. All people of compassion, wisdom, and belief need to come together in order to take care of one another, and to take care of our beautiful world that the Creator made. Systems of injustice can only be resolved with community and partnership with one another. I am blessed that I get to bring the partnership and stories of the people of Miyakojima Island back to my island of Newfoundland.”

The Youth Forum is an ecumenical initiative of churches in Japan, supported by The United Church of Canada and Mission and Service. Your generosity through Mission and Service helps programs like this one that inspire peace and learning. Thank you.