

We Gather as God's Beloved

CENTRAL QUEENS UNITED CHURCH

June 14, 2026 – 10:30 am

Worship Leader: Rev Eric Lynk

Sacrament of Baptism

Third 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.

Prelude

Welcome

Welcome in the name of the Christ

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

May all who enter this sanctuary find it a haven of peace.

May it be so. Amen.

Announcements

Birthdays & Special Occasions

Lighting of the Christ Candle

We gather today as followers of Jesus, whom when asked "who are you?" replied:

I am the Light!

We light this candle as a sign of God's Spirit at work in the world;
may its light brighten our spirits and, through us, may the light of God shine in our world.

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

***Introit** Lord, Prepare Me to be a Sanctuary MV #18 (3x)

*Call to Worship

God meets us in surprising yet ordinary places—under a tree, in the smile of a stranger, in a refreshing breeze that comes at just the right time.

God, open our hearts to notice your presence all around us.

***Call to Worship** (Continued)

God speaks to us in surprising yet ordinary ways—in a well-placed word from a friend, in a prayer that comes at just the right time, in a song that resonates through our entire being.

God, open our minds to recognize your voice all around us.

God fulfills God's promises in surprising yet ordinary ways—in an unexpected act of kindness, in providing just what we need at just the right time, in sending someone to listen when we feel alone.

God, open our hands to receive your blessings all around us.

Friends, in the surprising and ordinary ways that God shows up among us, may we meet God and our neighbors with open hearts, minds, and hands, ready to encounter God's miraculous work.

God, open our lives to receive your blessings, that we may share together in the joy, wonder, and laughter of God's miraculous works all around us.

***Opening Hymn** Open My Eyes That I May See VU #371

Prayer of Approach

Gracious God, all the ends of the earth marvel at your deeds of power.

We feel your presence as we witness growth returning to the countryside and we rejoice as we remember your faithfulness and steadfast love revealed in the risen Christ. Surround us with that faithfulness and steadfast love, fill us with generosity and courage, so that we may be called your friends and go forth to befriend your world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Responsive Psalm Reading: Psalm 116 VU #836

***Hymn** Let Us Build a House MV #1 vs 1 & 2

Time with the Young & the Young at Heart / Sacrament of Baptism

(See Insert)

Today, we receive into the Membership of the Church, through the Sacrament of Baptism,
Hudson Erroll Merner,
Son of Brittany Dawn Watts & Adam Patrick Merner

***Hymn** Let Us Build a House MV #1 vs 4 & 5

Children may retire to Sunday School

Invitation to Confession

Prayer for Transformation

God our Creator, we thank you for all your blessings: for the beauty of this world and for our life in it; for your loving Spirit which surrounds and sustains us; for our homes and families and for everything that is beautiful, good, and true. But above all we thank you for giving your Son Jesus to be our Saviour and Friend. We gather mindful of your great love for us which calls us to new and abundant life. Yet, we are aware of how we often we lack the courage to respond.

We are sorry for all the wrong things we have done and said and thought. We are sorry that we have thought of ourselves and not of others. We are sorry that we have done what we wanted instead of what you wanted us to do. We ask you to forgive us and to help us to be the people you would like us to be. All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Assurance (Based on Romans 5:8)

Hear this good news: there is forgiveness and steadfast love with God who saves us from all our sins. God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Hear then Christ's word of grace to us: our sins are forgiven!

Words of Assurance (Continued)

Thanks be to God. May we always find our true happiness in pleasing you, O Lord, and helping others to know and love you. Amen. Alleluia!

God's Word for Us Today

Prayer for Inspiration

First Reading Genesis 18:1-15 & 21:1-7 (NLT- New Living Translation) *Son promised to Abraham and Sarah.*

Gospel Reading Matthew 9:35-10:8 (NLT- New Living Translation) *Jesus and the disciples preach and heal.*

Anthem

Sermon

We Respond to God's Love for Us

Music for Reflection

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (*On the Screen*)

Offertory Invitation

*** Presentation of Offering** You Servants of God VU #342 vs 1

***Offertory Prayer**

Receive these gifts, O God, that they may bear witness to your goodness and extend joy, hope, and welcome to the world you so love. May our giving be a reflection of our faith, and may our faith be full of the joy and peace of knowing you as the source of all goodness in our lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

We Go in Faith to Love and Serve God

Commissioning

Go forth this day, rooted in God's love and knowing you are his beloved children. As you go from this place, go united by faith, and follow the joy of God's call to love this world and all in it.

We will go forth trusting God who, through his ever-present Spirit, will equip and empower us for the work ahead.

May God bless each step that you take today, tomorrow and every day thereafter, whether that road be rough or smooth.

Renewed with God's love and strength we will step out in faith, step out in love, step out in peace, and bless this world with God's presence in and through our lives. Amen. Alleluia!

***Hymn** One More Step Along the World I Go VU #639

***Becoming Light Bearers**

We have gathered and worshipped in the presence of the Light and Love of Jesus. As we prepare to leave this sanctuary we are called to now become those who carry the Light of Christ to our world.

We will go forth to bring Light and Hope to our world! Amen. Alleluia!

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** May the Grace of Christ VU #419 vs 1

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

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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.

Thank You to Rev. Eric Lynk for leading us in worship this morning.

Also thank you to Christine Belanger for her beautiful gift of music.

Central Queens United Church

Today’s Bulletins are placed in loving memory of Ivan, Helena & Kathryn Bowman. Lovingly remembered by Doug & June MacEachern.

Life and Work of Our Church

Emergencies – Please contact Lois Lajeunesse at 902-621-0669 or 902-388-1103 for any emergencies.

Supply Minister – Rev. Margaret Collins and Rev. Erik Lynk will share in leading us in worship next Sunday, June 21st.

Official Board Meeting will be held this Thursday, June 18th, at 7:15 pm.

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.

Scripture Readings - The scripture readings selected for next Sunday, June 21st, are:

Genesis 21:8-21 *Hagar and Ishmael sent away.*

Responsive Reading – Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 (VU #803) *Turn your ear to me, O God.*

Romans 6:1b-11 *Dead to sin; alive in Christ.*

Matthew 10:24-39 *Discipleship: Lose your life to find it.*

Office Hours – Until a new administrative assistant is hired, Trudy’s hours in the office may fluctuate from week to week due to circumstances beyond her control.

FundScrip – The next order date is June 21st. You can reach Janet Howes by email jhowes1969@gmail.com or by phone or text (902-393-1527). E-transfers accepted.

Financial Assistance for Camp Abby – The UCW is providing some financial assistance for children going to Camp Abby this summer. If you are considering sending your child to Camp Abby, please give your name to Velda Bertram at 902-964-2210 or Kim Rodd at 902—626-5252 by next Friday, June 26th.

Rosewood Service this Thursday, June 18th, at 6:30 pm. The UCW will be leading the service.

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.

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.

Administrative Assistant – We are still looking for a Administrative Assistant for our church office. This is a 6-hour position. Hours are Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9 am – 12 noon. Interested candidates are asked to contact the church office at office@cquc.ca or at 902-964-2221.

Bulletin Deadline – Deadline for announcements for the bulletin is **Wednesday evening**. Please email your announcement(s) to office@cquc.ca.

Sunday School Helpers are Needed to assist in our Sunday School ministry. Please contact the church office if you can help with this very important ministry.

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.

Annual Spring Roast Beef Take-Out Supper – It's time for our annual delicious Spring Take-out Hot Roast Beef Supper. A generous serving of tender roast beef with all the trimmings. A flavourful dessert is included.

Date: Saturday, June 20th with take-out times at 3:30, 4:30 and 5:30 pm. Cost: \$20/ adult, \$7/ youth (6-12 yrs.), and free for children 5 yrs. and younger.

Tickets **must be ordered in advance** by calling Debbie at 902-966-2882 or Lois at 902-621-0669.

For meal pick up, tickets will be collected at your vehicle, and meals will be delivered back to your car.

Upcoming Church Events – Mark your calendars for the following events:

August 15 – Yard Sale – Donated items can be dropped off during office hours

September 17, 18 & 19 – Dinner Theater

November 7 – Fall Roast Beef Supper

November 8 – Frozen Pie orders go out

November 22 – Frozen Pie orders due date

December 10 – Frozen Pies pick up date.

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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 or need to update your info, please contact Trudy at office@cquc.ca or you can call her during office hours at 902-964-2221.

Puzzle/Book Lending Library – Come and check out the broad array of fiction or non-fiction books in our library. Also be sure to check out the wide variety of puzzles available. All are in the main hall.

Pop Can Pull Tabs – Remember your pull tabs!! George Mason is collection pop can pull tab 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 pop can tab collections can be dropped off here at the church. Thank you.

Camp Abby Updates

Annual Open House will be held on Sunday, June 28th, from 2-4 pm.

New Mailing Address: Please note our primary mailing address has changed to 140 Camp Abegweit Rd, Borden-Carleton, PE C0B 1X0

Please see the bulletin board by our church office for the “Most Needed Items for Summer 2026”.

Community Events

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh this afternoon, June 14th, at 2 pm. Host Jacinta MacDonald welcomes special guests Jordan LeClair and Family. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.