

**Central Queens Pastoral Charge
United Church of Canada**

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 the Christ Candle

Quiet Preparation for Worship

Bible Presentation (*Placed during the Introit*)

***Introit** Come All You People

MV #2

***Call to Worship**

Come, not as those who have all the answers, but as seekers of light, drawn by a whisper from beyond the known.

We come, weary and wondering, with hearts both full and afraid.

Come as you are—carrying names you've been given, and names you've yet to speak aloud.

We come to name the truths we hide, and to be held by a love that never turns away.

CENTRAL QUEENS UNITED CHURCH

June 22, 2025 – 10:30 am

Second 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.

Call to Worship (Continued)

Here in this gathered hush, may we meet the One who sees through to the soul, and still says, “You are mine.”

Let us worship the God of liberation, who calls us by name and speaks us whole.

***Hymn** As Comes the Breath of Spring VU #373

Prayer Of Approach

Holy One, you come to us in the wild places of our lives, where words run dry and the maps no longer make sense.

You cross our inner borders without fear, meet us in our loneliness, and ask us gently, “What is your name?”

In this quiet hour, may we stop running. May we listen for the truth beneath our noise. May we unbind what has been hidden for too long.

Let your Spirit rest upon us now—soft as mist, steady as earth, calling us back to ourselves, and toward one another in compassion and hope.

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

Responsive Reading Psalm 42 - 43 VU #768-769

***Hymn** Each Blade of Grass MV #37 vs 1 & 2

All God’s Children

Hymn Each Blade of Grass MV #37 vs 3

Presentation of Our Gifts

Invitation to Generosity

*Presentation of Offering

***Offertory** You Nourish Us VU #545

*Offertory Prayer

Giver of every good thing, you meet us with tenderness in our truth, and teach us to give, not from fear, but from fullness. Bless these gifts we have gathered—silver, service, prayer, and promise. May they become seeds of healing, signs of courage, and pathways toward peace for all who are waiting to be seen, to be heard, to be held. Amen.

Listening for the Word

Prayer for Understanding

Sacred Scripture

Isaiah 65:1-9

Luke 8:26-39

Anthem *Who is My Mother* *Choir*

Sermon *“Naming the Powers”*

Reflective Music

Responding to the Word

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Loving Presence, we thank you for the grace that meets us in brokenness and beauty alike. For each breath, each kindness, each story told in courage.

God of all mercy, name us whole.

We pray for the forgotten places—in our world and in ourselves—where systems crush spirit and silence takes root.

God of all mercy, name us whole.

We remember the ones whose names are erased—the Indigenous, the immigrant, the queer and the trans, the poor, the sick, the shunned.

God of all mercy, name us whole.

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession (Continued)

We lift those in this community whose hearts are heavy with grief, whose minds carry anxiety, whose bodies are weary or unwell.

God of all mercy, name us whole.

And we pray for ourselves— that we might be tender with our blind spots, honest with our fears, and bold in our hope.

God of all mercy, name us whole.

Gather all our whispered prayers, those spoken and those unspoken, into your great heart.

And let there be healing. Amen.

***Hymn** Come Touch Our Hearts MV #12

***Changing the Light**

***Benediction**

***Blessing**

***Choral Benediction** Peace Be with You MV #215

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 Claude MacLeod. Lovingly remembers by Debbie, Melvin and Family.

Bulletins are also placed in loving memory of Ronnie Godfrey. Lovingly remembered by Helen, Carolyn, Andrew, Mary-Ellen and Families.

Thank You to Christine Belanger for her beautiful gift of music this morning. *Congregation of Central Queens United Church*

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.

Scripture Readings - The scripture readings selected for next Sunday, June 29th, are:

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

Psalms 16 (VU #738)

Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

John 16:12-15

These are made available to you should you wish to read them during the upcoming week.

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.

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.

Camp Abby Annual Open House today, June 22nd, from 2 pm to 4 pm. Come for a fun afternoon. This event is a great opportunity to meet the staff, play games, enjoy some free food, and win a few prizes.

Graduates – We are in the process of gathering names of individuals who will be graduating this year. If you know of anyone graduating from high school, university, college or any other secondary school, please submit their names to the church office (office@cquc.ca or 902-964-2221) or to Greg (minister@cquc.ca or 902-964-2291) so that we can recognize their accomplishments.

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 promotion for June is Home Hardware: 4%. The next order date is Sunday, July 6th.

Yard Sale – Save the Date! The annual Yard Sale at Central Queens United Church will be on Saturday, August 2nd, from 8 am – 12 pm. Anyone who would like to donate items for the yard sale are welcome to until setup day, (Thursday, July 31st). Items can be dropped off during 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

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 in the wooden box at the church entrance any Sunday or during church office hours.

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.

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.

Community News

Winsloe United Church Ceilidh, this afternoon, June 22nd, at 2 pm. Host Dino Dunsford welcomes special guests Terry Dunsford and Marcella Richard, and "Sarah" comedy skit presented by Barb Perry. Admission is \$15 at the door; doors open at 1:30 pm.

Strawberry and Ice Cream Social at Winsloe United Church on Wednesday, July 16th, from 4 – 6:30 pm. Also serving sandwiches. Tickets are \$15/adults, \$8/children 12 and under, and no charge for pre-school aged children. For tickets, call 902-368-1580 or 902-393-8811. No ticket sales at the door.

West River United Church is holding its annual Strawberry Social on Saturday, July 19th, 4 - 6:30 pm. This includes sandwiches and sweets, strawberries and ice cream. (Gluten free choices are available.) For tickets, please contact the church office at 902-566-4052.



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