



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN ANGLICAN CHURCH

The BEACON Newsletter for June 20, 2021

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UPCOMING PARISH-WIDE ZOOM GATHERING

Our next ZOOM gathering will be on Sunday June 27th at 10 a.m. These gatherings have been well attended and we encourage you to attend. The link to participate in this service will be sent by email on Friday June 25. If you have any difficulties or questions about using ZOOM, please direct them to Liz Williams (250-246-8964). We will start with a worship service at 10 a.m. and then move into **Re-imagining Our Future: Finding Our Way...**

THE PATH TOWARDS RE-OPENING

The Parish leadership team continues to work towards a safe “re-opening” plan, and hope to soon have our Archdeacon’s approval for a slow, gradual re-opening plan to guide us along this next step of our journey.

CRESCENT HOMES UPDATE

On the occasion of their recent resignations, the wardens and I wish **David and Priscilla Lowe** best wishes on their next steps. Dave has been attentive to the physical maintenance of the structure of each of the Crescent Homes units. Priscilla has been a faithful and accurate recording secretary as well as keeping records of incoming tenant applications. We give thanks for their many years of faithful service to the Board and to the residents of the Crescent Homes Society.

Yours in Christ, The Rev. MJ D. Leewis-Kirk, Incumbent, the Anglican Church of St. Peter, Diocesan Representative to Crescent Homes Society.

MESSY CHURCH IN A BAG

Our June Messy Church celebration video has just been posted to our Church website. It’s called “the Parable of the Lost Sheep.” Jane and Mark put their hearts into these videos and if you have not had a chance to see them yet, all the ones back to November are available on the website. Check them out and **get MESSY!**



CREATIVE FUNDRAISING IDEA

From Parishioner and Council Member Catherine Dook: Dear Friends, this spring I knitted a stack of 'Bernie' mittens for family members. Each pair cost \$5 in supplies. As I could easily sell them for \$15/pair, I donated to St. Peter’s the difference (\$10) between what they cost to make and what I could have sold them for. Would you consider doing something similar and then making a donation to the church?



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of June 20:

Altar Flowers: The flowers in the church are given by Doreen Chaperon to the Glory of God in loving memory of her mother Doris.

Members of our Congregation: Brian, Michael, Bea, Geoff, Chris, Bob, Andrea, Ruth, Rocke, Sandee, Jennifer, Vital, Teresa, Frank, Pearl, Connie and Brandon.

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Mark, National Anglican Indigenous Archbishop
- Lesley, Bishop, Diocese of Yukon
- The Church of North India (United)
- Eric, Priest, St. Christopher and St. Aidan, Lake Cowichan
- MJ, Chris, Jim and Norah, our Clergy, Kirsten, our Seminarian

Government Leaders: Justin, our Prime Minister, John our Premier, Dr. Bonnie Henry, William, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Al and Michelle our Mayors.

Parish Families: Roger and Liz, Sandra, Ed and Kathy

Birthday Blessings this week: June Maffin (June 22), Barry De Silva (June 24), Ron Parker (June 26), Kirsten Evenden (June 26)

SUMMER READING LIST



If you're looking for some thought provoking books to read over the summer months, here are some recommendations from our Diocese. The books listed here are focussed on "anti-racism." Further titles can be found on the diocesan website.

The link is: <https://bc.anglican.ca/resources/anti-racism-resources/pages/books>

Challenging Racist "British Columbia": 150 Years and Counting (2021) is an open-access, multi-media resource that documents how this recent cycle of anti-racist activism is part of a broader history of Indigenous, Black and other racialized communities challenging white supremacy for over 150 years – particularly since 1871 when BC joined Canada.

Beyond Colonial Anglicanism: The Anglican Communion in the Twenty-First Century edited by Ian T. Douglas Kwok Pui-Lan

This is a collection of fifteen provocative essays by a cadre of international authors that examine the nature and shape of the Communion today; the colonial legacy; economic tensions and international debt; sexuality and justice; the ecological crisis; violence and healing in South Africa; persecution and religious fundamentalism; the church amid global urbanization; and much more.

Black Berry, Sweet Juice: On Being Black and White in Canada by Lawrence Hill

Part personal stories, part coast-to-coast interviews with Canadians of black and white parentage, this book examines subjects such as romance between blacks and whites, racial terminology and Ku Klux Klan activity in Canada.

The Inconvenient Indian by Thomas King

Rich with dark and light, pain and magic, The Inconvenient Indian distills the insights gleaned from Thomas King's critical and personal meditation on what it means to be "Indian" in North America, weaving the curiously circular tale of the relationship between non-Natives and Natives in the centuries since the two first encountered each other.

Brother by David Chariandy

Winner of the 2017 Rogers Writers' Trust Fiction Prize, explores questions of masculinity, family, race and identity as they are played out in a Scarborough ON housing complex during the sweltering heat and simmering violence of the summer of 1991.