



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN ANGLICAN CHURCH

The BEACON Newsletter for July 11, 2021

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Excerpt from book KITCHEN TABLE WISDOM - Rachel Naomi Remen

Everybody is a story. When I was a child, people sat around kitchen tables and told their stories. We don't do that so much anymore. Sitting around the table telling stories is not just a way of passing time. It is the way the wisdom gets passed along...

...The kitchen table is a level playing field. Everyone's story matter. The wisdom in the story of the most educated and powerful person is often not greater than the wisdom in the story of a child, and the life of a child can teach us as much as the life of a sage...

...Hidden in all stories is the One story. The more we listen, the clearer that Story becomes. Our true identity, who we are, why we are here, what sustains us, is in this story. The stories at every kitchen table are about the same things, stories of owning, having and losing, stories of power, of pain, of wounding, of courage, hope, and healing, of loneliness and the end of loneliness. Stories about God...

...Stories are someone's experience of the events of their life, they are not the events themselves. Most of us experience the same event very differently. We have seen it in our own unique way and the story we tell has more than a bit of ourselves in it. Truth is highly subjective...

Midweek MORNING PRAYER begins

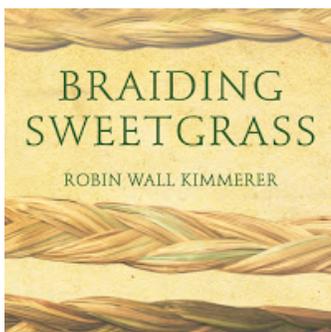
We will start Morning Prayer on Thursday July 15th at 10 a.m. in the church. Although the provincial restrictions are easing, at this point, we are still recommending the following:

- Masks and hand sanitizer will be available.
- Enter through the north door and exit through the south door.

The church and hall are air-conditioned - we recommend bringing a water bottle to stay hydrated!

ZOOM Coffee Hour

From Trish Peebles - We will be meeting for a one hour get together to chat, catch up, tell funny stories, and enjoy each other's company. Bring your beverage of choice and come and enjoy! The **first Zoom Coffee Hour is scheduled for Sunday, July 18 at 11 a.m.** If you're interested, please contact Trish and she will send you the link. Call 250-701-3172 or email trishgpeebles@shaw.ca



COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER... ZOOM BOOK STUDY

Dates: 3 Wednesdays - September 22, 29 and October 6 starting at 6:30 p.m. over Zoom.

Book: **Braiding Sweet Grass** by Robin Wall Kimmerer. This engaging book is written through the author's eyes as a mother, scientist, decorated professor and a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Robin imparts Indigenous Wisdom and her Scientific Knowledge. It is wisdom we could do well to fully contemplate and to follow. Although this is non-fiction book, Robin's writing is very poetic.

This book is also available as an e-book. We will divide the book into three sessions to discuss at each session. If you do not have ZOOM, we may be able to figure out how to have you gather in the Hall to take part. If interested, please contact Trish Peebles 250-701-3172 or trishgpeebles@shaw.ca

HOW TO HELP LYTTON

Donations are most welcome for the disastrous fire in Lytton that destroyed most of the town including both Anglican churches, one an historic building. Please send donations to: **Territory of the People, 360 Nicola Street Kamloops, BC V2C 2P5**

Mark your Calendars!



Our **Christmas Festival** will be on Saturday December 4 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Plans are in the works for our annual Christmas lunch and sale. Start now to make crafts for the Craft table; jams and jellies, meat pies and other frozen delicacies for the home cooking table; share your thoughts for Silent Auction theme baskets; make a list of things to bake nearer the date; talk to your friends and neighbours, tell them to book the date. Let's make this year a fun and profitable event.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of July 11:

Altar Flowers: The flowers in the church are given to the Glory of God by Audrey Loewen in loving memory of her husband C.W. (Bill) Loewen, (September 22, 1929 to July 17, 2011), a kind and gentle man quietly missed every day.

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

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Mark, National Anglican Indigenous Archbishop
- Lynne, Archbishop, Diocese of Kootenay
- The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
- Gail and Susan, Clergy, St. Peter & St. Paul, Esquimalt
- 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.

Birthday Blessings this week: Bev Mountain (July 14), Theresa Karlsson (July 17), Janet Germann (July 17)



← Harp Concert on July 3

On Saturday July 10 at 3 p.m., Marilyn will be joined by up to 15 other harpists to add to your listening pleasure. This is an added treat and as always, we thank Marilyn for her generosity of time and talent!