

A Message from Archbishop Lynne...

Dear People of the Territory,

I am just back after a lovely 2 week holiday. Gerald and I drove to Alberta to spend precious days with my family, my three siblings and their families, and my father, and a couple of friends, as I haven't seen any of them during Covid. We visited High River, Edmonton, Red Deer, Calgary and Cochrane. The weather was cool and rainy, which was a welcome relief. We had a leisurely drive on the Crow's nest highway, and back through Radium, enjoying the beauty of this province.

The Interim steering committee and the Assembly planning committee have met and are working on plans for the Territory gathering the weekend of Oct 15 to 17. You will hear more about this in the next couple of weeks.

I continue to pray for all those who continue to be affected by the fires.

I also pray that summer has brought each of you some restorative time, and that in spite of the heaviness of smoke, the trauma of fires, evacuations and alerts, and the further shock of the unexpectedly early fourth wave of Covid, that you will have had rest for your souls, relaxation, face-to-face time with your beloveds, and joyful time in God's good creation. May you have renewed courage to carry us into the fall. May God be with you and bring you healing and peace.

Yours in Christ,

+Lynne

**Disturb us O Lord
When we are too well-pleased with ourselves.
When our dreams have come true
because we dreamed too little,
because we sailed too close to the shore.
Disturb us O Lord
When with the abundance of things we possess,
we have lost our thirst for the water of life.
When, having fallen in love with time,
we have ceased to dream of eternity
and in our efforts to build a new earth,
we have allowed our vision of Heaven to grow dim.**

Desmond Tutu

Prayer Corner



- * We pray for our parishes and congregations during this time of transition from restrictions with the Covid-19 Pandemic; we pray for those with anxiety and concern as we continue to find our way to our new normal
 - * We pray for all communities affected by wildfires, evacuation orders and evacuation alerts; for loss of homes, livelihoods, communities, friends and families; we pray for strength, healing and God's grace
 - * We pray for all firefighters on the ground and in the air, for all the volunteers caring for others
 - * We pray for Lincoln, his wife Tanya, and their family
 - * We pray for the Territory Interim Steering Committee and the work they are undertaking in leading the Territory
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- * We pray for all Pastoral Elders: Ursula Drynock, Amy Charlie, Pauline and Ernie Michelle, and Dorothy Philips
 - * We pray for the Rev Canon Isabel Healy Morrow as she continues her journey of recovery, giving thanks for her ministry to St. Michael's Merritt, and all who support her
 - * We pray for Dwight Oatway, his wife Islay and their family
 - * We pray for new ministry leadership in the Territory: St. Paul's Cathedral Kamloops, the Lillooet Shared Ministry, the Three Rivers Ministry - Prince George and Quesnel
 - * We pray for all who are confined by illness, praying they may find peace and strength in the love and care they receive from others
 - * We pray for all those without the security, safety and comfort of a home, or economic stability
 - * We pray for those with anxiety and stress concerning personal economic situations

"Impossible Until it's Not" - by Carrie Newcomer
Words of encouragement in difficult times ... click [here](#) for the music video

HANDY LINKS:

Anglican Church of Canada
Anglican Journal
Anglican Foundation
Anglican Renewal Ministries (ARM) Canada
Book of Alternative Services

Common Praise online
Calendar of Intercessions Prayer Cycle: Jul - Sep
Employee Assistance Program - Lifeworks
Pastoral Visitor - July/August 2021
PWRDF
Territory of the People website

Territory News:

- ☞ **Interim Steering Committee** - following the resignation as Bishop of the Territory, and relinquishment of the exercise of ordained ministry by Lincoln Mckoen, Archbishop Lynne McNaughton is now the presiding bishop for the Territory of the People. Archbishop Lynne implemented an Interim Steering Committee to act as interim leadership, until such time as an episcopal electoral process can begin. The Interim Steering Committee Coordinator is the Rev Canon Len Fraser, with other members under the oversight of Archbishop Lynne. The Committee has regularly scheduled Zoom meetings for the next few months as we find our forward during this time of transition. Please uphold your Interim Steering Committee in your prayers.
- ☞ **COVID-19: Update** - as many of you are aware, BC Provincial guidelines dictate the changing nature of restrictions as the province sees waves of Covid resurging in some areas. The Territory Re-Opening Plan with suggested protocols for all Territory parishes has been published as a News item on the Territory website, found [here](#). Provincial guidelines supersede the Territory Plan and you are encouraged to be informed as to restrictions in your local area.

Territory News, continued...

Annual Assembly – October 15th -17th 2021 – due to an upsurge in cases of Covid-19, and in accordance with the Provincial Health regulations, the decision has been made by Archbishop Lynne McNaughton, our presiding Bishop with approval from Administration Committee, to not proceed with an in person Territory Assembly at this time.

In its place, the Territory will proceed with an Annual General Meeting via Zoom on **Friday, October 15th from 7-9pm** to conduct the business of the Territory as required by the BC Societies Act.

On Saturday October 16th, from 9am to 4 pm we will be broadcasting from St. Paul's Cathedral, Kamloops a live stream gathering to which all delegates are encouraged to attend and to invite others from your parish to participate.

Delegates and others from each of our three regional deaneries are being asked to gather in a single location in each area to receive this live broadcast and to participate in small group discussions throughout the day. It is recommended Covid-19 protocols are followed for these regional gatherings. More information to follow...

The theme of the day is: *"Come and Find a Quiet Centre"*. The message comes from scripture, Isaiah 30:15 - *"In quietness and in trust shall be your strength"*.

The theme is also inspired from the vision statement that was adopted at our Assembly in 2011. *"The Territory of the People walk together with all God's people, journeying into a new creation, and trusting with faith and courage in the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We love as Jesus loves, living with integrity and openness, and are committed stewards of God's world."*

- ☞ **Anglican Fellowship of Prayer** – **"Come Pray with Us"** You are invited to join the Anglican Fellowship of Prayer for one-hour of prayer and reflection on Zoom. Click [here](#) for recurring Computer login. (Telephone: 1-438-809-7799 Meeting ID: 820 0140 8803 Passcode: 359803) After taking a break in the summer, this monthly prayer session will resume in the fall on **Mondays: Sep 20, Oct 18, and Nov 5. All sessions start at 1pm.** For more info, please contact [Stacey Neale](#) or [Valerie Bennett](#).



SapienceSpiritualDirection, Louise Peters - 250.318.2781

The Rev Louise Peters is offering this new ministry resource: a confidential on-line Spiritual Direction service. For more information visit Louise's website [here](#).

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with great joy we announce to the Territory that, God willing, on **Holy Cross Day**, the 14th of September, 2021 at 7pm, Linda LaGroix will be ordained to the sacred order of Deacon in the Church of God.

Linda is known to many people through her work during three summers at Barkerville as Mrs. Reynard, and is currently a Lay Minister of Word and Sacrament at St. George's Anglican Church, Kamloops. Linda will be appointed Assistant Curate at St. George's under the direction and supervision of the Incumbent, the Rev. John Boyd.

Linda is also the EfM Coordinator for the Territory of the People.

The service will be held at St. Paul's Cathedral, Kamloops and you are encouraged to participate in this celebration of Linda's ministry via the St. Paul's FaceBook link

Please keep Linda, her family, and the Parish of St. George's in your prayers, as they all embark on this new ministry together.

Other News:

Primates World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) – for the latest newsletter click [here](#)

In response to the wildfire which swept through Lytton on June 30th, PWRDF responded immediately with a solidarity grant of \$5,000. and on July 2nd posted the following message on their [website](#):

“The Central Interior B.C. Territory is in dire need due to the sudden fire which destroyed the village of Lytton and Lytton First Nation Wednesday afternoon.

“PWRDF is now accepting donations to the Territory of the People as it supports recovery from the fire. Give online to [Emergency Response](#) and type “Lytton Fire Emergency Fund” in the comments field. You may also donate by phoning Donor Relations Officer Mike Ziemerink at 416-822-9083, or leave a voicemail toll-free at 1-866-308-7973 and we will return your call. You may also send a cheque to PWRDF at 80 Hayden St., Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 3G2 and mark “Lytton Fire Emergency Fund” in the memo field.

Pray with the community of Lytton

O God, you are our refuge and our strength,
our help in times of trouble:

Have mercy on the lands and communities devastated by fires,
and especially the people of the village of Lytton and Lytton First Nations.

Have mercy on those who have lost lives, lost homes and livelihoods.

Protect those who have had to evacuate.

Bless and keep safe all firefighters.

And strengthen those who seek to rebuild hope
that all may face the future without fear.

We pray this in the name
of Jesus Christ, our Saviour. Amen.

Surprised by the Spirit - this Canada-wide initiative seeks to connect Anglicans across the country in conversation, prayer and discovery. Archbishop Linda Nicholls invites us to gather again, as we did in early 2019, in ‘Conversation Circles’ to explore our discoveries and surprises, and to listen for the voice of the Spirit in our midst. Click [here](#) for more information.

Anglican Foundation of Canada (AFC) is issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) that contribute to the physical, intellectual, emotional, or spiritual well-being of children, youth, or young adults within Canada.

Grants for both ongoing and emerging projects will be considered.

- Category A grants, of up to \$5,000 will be considered based on impact and how they support young people in a local context.
- Category B grants of up to \$15,000 will be considered based on how they support the overall mission and service to children and youth in a city, diocese, or region.

Eligible uses of funding include, but are not limited to, administrative expenses, equipment, technical costs, remuneration, honoraria, and food. **Proposals will be accepted from September 1 to October 1, 2021.**

Click [here](#) to read the full News Release; click [here](#) for the 2021 RFP Criteria and Application form.

Thought for the month:

If lawyers are disbarred and clergy defrocked, then doesn't it follow electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked, and dry cleaners depressed?

Important Dates:

Sep 8	Interim Steering Committee – 3pm Zoom
Sep 14	Holy Cross Day - Ordination to the Diaconate – Linda LaGroix St. Paul’s Cathedral, Kamloops
Sep 22	Archbishop Lynne meeting
Sep 23	Administration Committee – 7pm Zoom
Sep 27–Oct 2	National House of Bishops
Oct 15	Deadline – Parish Grant Applications
Oct 15	Territory AGM 7pm-9pm via Zoom
Oct 16	Regional Gatherings: “Come and Find a Quiet Centre”
Oct 17	Live Stream Worship from St. Paul’s Cathedral, Kamloops
Oct 23	Deadline – Ministry Fund Grant Applications
Oct 31	Deadline for Rufus Gibbs Grant Applications
Nov 6	Administration Committee Budget Meeting – in person @ St. Paul’s, Kamloops
Nov 19-20	Coordinating Council – location to be determined

Notice of the Fourth Annual General Meeting of The Territory of the People Anglican Church

Dear Members,

This is to advise you of the upcoming Assembly/Annual General Meeting of the members of the Territory of the People. The details of this meeting are as follows:

Date:	Friday October 15th
Time:	7pm – 9pm
Place:	Zoom video conference

The Agenda is:

- Adoption of the Rules of Order
- Adoption of the minutes of the last Assembly – 18 April 2020 - attached
- Presentation of Audited Financial Statements for 2020 by KPMG
- Appointment of Auditor for 2022

At the meeting, members will have the opportunity to:

- find out about the Territory of the People operations and finances
- ask questions about the operations and finances
- speak about any items on the agenda
- vote on any resolutions proposed.

At the meeting, members will be asked to vote to:

- accept the minutes of the last annual general meeting
- accept the auditor’s report
- accept the annual financial statements
- appoint and pay an auditor.
- appoint Directors
- extend the term of office, until a further election for Coordinating Council members