

ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN **ANGLICAN CHURCH**



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WEEKLY SERVICES: Thursday at 10 a.m., Sunday at 8 a.m. (BCP) AND 10 a.m. (BAS) Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday is livestreamed. For Sunday January 14, click on OR copy and

paste this LINK into your web browser: https://vimeo.com/900592547

ARE YOU CALLED?



The 2024 St. Peter's Parish Council will have a special role, that of creating a vision for the future and guiding the parish forward with creativity, passion, and care. Parish Council gatherings will operate less as "business meetings" and more as significant conversations about how the parish might become more effective as an instrument of God's love and light in the Cowichan Valley. There will still be business to conduct and decisions to be made, but the hope

is to have less business and more opportunity for discussion about where God is leading us as a community. Does this interest you? If so, pray about it and then talk to Rev. Jim or Liz or Norah or Mark Oldnall.

SOUP MAKING at St. Peter's

Who doesn't enjoy homemade soup on a winter's day? At St. Peter's we're hoping to get a group of folks together each month to help prepare a couple of different soups. The soups will then be used for a monthly



soup and bun lunch after Sunday service, with possibilities to expand to a mid-week community soup lunch as well as stocking our freezer for parishioners who need some help with meals. Our first soup making day is Saturday January 27 at 10 a.m. There is a sign up sheet in the Hall. For the first one, Liz and Monica will lead the soup making please direct any inquiries to them. See below for the date of our first Souper Bowl Sunday.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these other events:

- Games Night Monday January 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall
- **Souper Bowl Sunday** Sunday January 28 following the 10 a.m. service.
- Team Reports for the 2023 Annual Report due on Monday January 29.
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at St. John's Church Tuesday February 13. Gather at 4:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m. Freewill offering. Look for the sign up sheet in the Hall.
- Annual Meeting of Parishioners (AMP) on Sunday February 25.

ST PETER'S NAME TAGS



If you'd like to have a nametag with our NEW design, please PRINT your first and last name on the sign up sheet in the Hall.

COWICHAN BASKET SOCIETY is looking for reusable grocery bags for their food hamper program. Please drop them off in the large basket in the church on Sundays or in the "marked" basket outside the parish office.

FORWARD DAY BY DAY BOOKS



The Forward Day by Day books have arrived for February/March/April 2024. These books offer daily meditation and accompanying scripture. The books can be found on the table outside the parish office and on the credenza in the church. Each book is \$2. Please put the money into the jar found by the books.

2024 CALENDARS



The 2024 Canadian Church Calendars (Anglican edition) have arrived. There are only 15 copies so *first come, first served*. Let Monica know if you'd like one as soon as possible. \$8 each.

TRU EARTH FUNDRAISER – 30% Commission during January (11-14 and 28-31)

Normally for each purchase, Tru Earth pays a 20% commission to St. Peter's but on **January 11-14 and again 28-31**. Tru Earth will pay a 30% commission. Here is the **link**: http://tru-earth.sjv.io/StPeterQuamichan

You MUST use this link when placing an order for St. Peter's to receive the commission. Once you've clicked this link, you will get this heading: **Welcome to St. Peter Quamichan Fundraising with Tru Earth.** From there, you can login or create an account if you don't have one already and place your order. If you have any questions or problems placing an order, please reach out to Monica in the parish office.

DIOCESAN WOMENS' SPRING RETREAT



April 19-21 at Camp Pringle (Shawnigan Lake). This year's facilitator will be the Most Rev. Archbishop Linda Nicholls and the spiritual director is the Rev. Lynn Mills. Registration forms can be found on the bulletin board, our website or from the church office. Send the completed form to: Brenda Dhaene 2291 Calais Road, Duncan, BC V9L 5V2. Questions can be directed to Brenda at birish@shaw.ca or 250 748-7183.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of January 14:

Members of our Congregation: Don, Jim, Merle, Judi, Jason, Chris, Vital, Beverley, Ethel, Benny, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Robin, Hazel, Brandon.

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Christ Church, Gabriola Island

- Church of the Province of South East Asia
- Jim, Chris, and Norah our Clergy

Government Leaders: Justin, our Prime Minister, David our Premier, Lydia, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Michelle our mayors.

Birthday Blessings this week: Beverly Lowe (January 20)

Parish Families: Granville Fountain, Peter and Jane Fowler, Bea Fulton.

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Jane James in memory of her mother Ethel Young.



There will be a **CELEBRATION OF LIFE** for Brian Salmon (partner to Lynda Beaman) on Wednesday January 24 at 1:30 p.m. at Brae Road Gospel Chapel (321 Brae Road). "**Eternal** rest grant unto him O Lord and may light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace and rise again in glory!"

Winter officially arrived in the Cowichan Valley (-10 this morning!)

