

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Readings For Next Sunday: First Reading, Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 * **Psalm 19** * Second Reading, 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a * **Gospel, Luke 4:14-21**

Tea & Coffee Hour - After every Sunday service we have our Tea and Coffee Fellowship time downstairs in the Lounge. Please do come and join us. Helping hands are always needed. The sign up sheet for coffee hour volunteers and baking is on the bulletin board outside the kitchen.

The Long, Long Night of Hope 2025 February 22-23, 2025

Returning for its 9th year, the Long, Long Night of Hope (LLNOH) has already raised almost \$125,000 for our friends at The Lookout Housing and Health Society's North Shore Shelter.

We are thankful for our dedicated participants who raise funds every year, and this year we need more people to take part! Whether you raise funds **and** sleep in your car or in the church for the event, or you just raise funds, we want you! Fundraising online is easy, and registration is free and simple. Please contact the church office for more information, or visit our website: www.longlongnightofhope.ca

St. John's Vestry Meeting - Our annual Vestry Meeting will be on **Sunday, February 16** immediately after the service. It will be in the Lounge downstairs and on Zoom. For Zoom the Meeting ID is: 848 9881 1009. No password is required. You can also join by phone at +1 778 907 2071. Please mark this important date in your calendar and plan to join us. Thank you.

Soup and Buns and Conversation - The next Soup and Buns and Conversation will be held on **Wednesday, February 5 at 11:30am**. While it is a drop in program, it would be appreciated if you could let Donna know if you plan to come and how many might be coming with you. We look forward to seeing you there and please invite friends.



Parish Council Meeting - Our Parish Council Meetings are always open and anyone can join us. Our next Meeting is on **Saturday, January 25 at 10:00am**. It is a Zoom Meeting and the Meeting ID is: 818 5478 9929. No password required.

Hospitality & Fellowship Meeting - All are welcome to come and share your ideas at the next Hospitality & Fellowship meeting on **Saturday, January 25 at 1:00pm** in the Lounge and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 844 2062 9405. No password required.

Neil Cockburn : Christ Church Cathedral's New Director of Music Friday, February 7, 2025 @ 7.30 pm St James' Anglican Church

303 East Cordova, Vancouver

Neil Cockburn will perform a solo organ recital at St James' Anglican Church featuring works by Johann Sebastian Bach, Sir Charles Villiers Stanford, and Louis Vierne. Neil has been described as an immensely gifted musician and the concert at St James' promises to be a unique and captivating experience. A brilliant musician on the majestic organ at St James' Anglican Church : the perfect combination! For more information and for tickets (from \$20) visit sjmusic.ca

Jean's Box - While we were thrilled to deliver \$608.75 to the Harvest Project on behalf of our December campaign, the work still goes on. Our Community Outreach Team works year-round to provide seasonal clothing and toiletries to people experiencing homelessness. Place your donation of new clothing/toiletries in Jean's Box. You can find Jean's Box at the back of the sanctuary.



Prayer Shawl Ministry is back in session. Join them every **2nd and 4th Tuesday at 1:30pm**, in the chapel or the lounge.

Morning Prayer - Morning Prayer is on every **Friday Morning at 9:00am on Zoom**. It's a really great and refreshing way to start your day and it only takes ten minutes. Meeting ID: 818 1170 0940. No password needed.

Quote of the Week

Each week I will choose a spiritual and inspiring quote and publish it in this section. I will also add a comment on why I think it is a good quote. If you have any suggestions please pass them along to Me. I hope you enjoy this feature.

In my deepest, darkest moments, what really got me through was a prayer. Sometimes my prayer was 'Help me.' Sometimes a prayer was 'Thank you.' What I've discovered is that intimate connection and communication with my creator will always get me through because I know my support, my help, is just a prayer away.

Iyanla Vanzant

I can identify with and appreciate this quote because, like Ms. Vanzant, I believe our relationship with God is intimate and what works best in that relationship is communication. That communication can be as simple as "Help me" or "Thank you", but it is always special because it comes from the heart. God is always by my side and when I need Him all I do is put out my hand and hold Her hand, and that is what is called prayer. *The Rev. Patrick Blaney*

The Coming Week At St. John's

Sunday, January 26 * Tea and Coffee Fellowship (Lounge) After the service *

Tuesday, January 28 * Alanon Meeting (Lounge) 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Wednesday, January 29 * Never Alone Meeting (Lounge) 6:30pm - 8:00pm * (The Wednesday Mother Goose program has been indefinitely postponed)

Thursday, January 30 * AA Meeting (Lounge) 7:00pm - 9:00pm * Choir Practice (Sanctuary) 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Friday, January 31 * Morning Prayer (Zoom) 9:00am * Chair Yoga with Andrea (Lounge) 10:00am - 11:00am * North Shore Young People AA Meeting (Lounge) 8:30pm - 9:30pm *

Saturday, February 1 *