

# ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

# **BEACON Newsletter - August 24, 2025**

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### WEEKLY SERVICES: Sunday at 8 a.m. (BCP) AND 10 a.m. (BAS)

Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday is livestreamed. Use this link to watch the service LIVE:

https://www.stpeterduncan.ca/sermons/current-service

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- PARISH COUNCIL POTLUCK on Thursday August 28 at 5:30 p.m. in the Hall.
- MIDWEEK EUCHARIST SERVICE resumes on Wednesday September 4 at 10 a.m. in the Church.
- FALL DIOCESAN WOMEN'S RETREAT on September 26-28. More details on bulletin board in the hall...
- WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE from Friday November 14-15. More details below...
- DATE FOR REVEREND THEO'S INDUCTION Tuesday November 25 at 4 p.m. Potluck supper to follow.

### THE REVEREND THEO'S OFFICE HOURS

Theo plans to be in the office Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; however, as a priest's work doesn't always take place in an office, it is advised that you call ahead to check his availability. To reach the office, call 250-746-6262. If you would like to set up an appointment with Theo directly, you can email him at trobinson@bc.anglican.ca

#### WHO'S WHO IN THE PEWS??

Let's make name recognition easier for Theo. Please **remember to wear your name tag**. If you need one, please contact the office to request one or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Hall. There are always temporary name tags on the credenza.

#### **READERS AND GREETERS SIGN-UP SHEETS**

Just to keep everyone on their toes we're going back to using sign-up sheets for BOTH Sunday services while Theo settles in. If you are already signed up for 10 a.m. services, we've transferred the information to the clipboards. Wherever there are spaces, please consider adding your name.

### "If you can't feed a hundred people, then just feed one." - Mother Theresa -

St. Peter's supports the Cowichan Valley Basket Society in their efforts to feed the hungry in the Cowichan Valley. Over the next few months, we are asking everyone to buy a little extra when they do their weekly grocery shopping. To make it easier, check the Beacon each week for a suggestion for an item to bring in. If you want to buy 1 or 10 of the items, that's up to you but let's all do our part to at least "feed one more."

<u>This week's food item</u>: Peanut Butter. Liked by both kids and adults, and high in protein, peanut butter is the most requested item by food banks. Consider donating peanut butter alternatives too!

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of August 24:

Members of our Congregation: Kathleen, Pat, Barry, Laurie, Milan, Vickie, David, Arnold, Mark, Jane, Jim, Alison, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon.

For Those Who Have Died: We pray for Roberta Krenz and her family as they mourn the death of Roberta's husband Arnold. "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace and rise again in glory!"

#### **Anglican Cycle:**

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Matthias, Victoria

- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- Church of the Province of South East Asia

**Government Leaders:** Charles, our King, Mark, our Prime Minister, David our Premier, Cindy, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Michelle our mayors.

**Birthday Blessings this week:** Frank Bollinger (August 25), Granville Fountain (August 25), Elissa Erickson (August 29), Elizabeth Williams (August 30)

Parish Families: Alison Wilcock, Roger and Liz Williams, Connie Wray.

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Gordon and Vickie Oldnall in

memory of loved ones and thanksgiving for the blessings of a wonderful family and our church family.

#### WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

We Together is our regular (once every other year) diocesan conference to remind us of the ways we are connected; we are stronger together. We are bound in countless ways, in our structures, in our prayers, and through the stories we tell. We are each other's concern, and we are each other's gift.

This year the theme is **God Is Not Elsewhere**: The God of our scriptures and stories, the God of our traditions and rites, the God who whispers through music and poetry, is the God moving here and now. Not just in times and places long ago and far away, but within our places, our communities and our people. This year's We-Together will highlight the gifts of a selection of people from our diocese, as we reflect together on some of the ways that the God who is in our midst is stirring and calling us on our journey together. We will eat and laugh, we will learn and be challenged, and together we will be nourished for our journey.

The conference will begin on Friday evening November 14<sup>th</sup> with an evening banquet at St Paul's in Nanaimo followed by an opening address. On Saturday we will gather at St. Paul's for a full day of workshops featuring our speakers John Thatamanil, Jonathan Thomas, Jenny Replogle, Brendon Neilson, Christine Conkin, Gordon Smith, and Denise Doerksen.

Early Bird Rate until September 14th Deadline to register: November 3<sup>rd</sup>

More information found at this website: <a href="https://bc.anglican.ca/events/we-together-2025/2025-11-14">https://bc.anglican.ca/events/we-together-2025/2025-11-14</a>

## RETIREMENT NEWS

Me're saying goodbye! After 15 years, our beloved administrator

Monica has decided that it's time to retire.

Her last day with us will be September 26 after which she will be promoted to the position of PARISHIONER!

More details will follow about our farewell plans for Monica.