



# ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

## BEACON Newsletter – August 31, 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**

- **MIDWEEK EUCHARIST SERVICE resumes** on Thursday September 4 at 10 a.m. in the Church. Pastor Liz will lead these services during September as Reverend Theo becomes more familiar with this service.
- **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 AND AVAILABILITY FOR PASTORAL CARE**

Reverend Theo's office hours have changed a little bit for the months of September to December. Because of a class he is taking on Wednesdays, he will only be in the office from 9-10:30 a.m. As always, please contact the office if you'd like to make an appointment to see Theo outside of his office hours.

Theo welcomes your calls and visits and if you have any pastoral care needs, please don't hesitate to let him know. *Although we think they are, priests are NOT mind readers and can only help if they're made aware.* To reach the office, call 250-746-6262 or you can email Theo directly at [trobinson@bc.anglican.ca](mailto:trobinson@bc.anglican.ca)

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

Please continue 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**

The September sign-up sheets are available in the church. Wherever there are spaces, please consider adding your name. *"When we pray, we speak to God; but when we read, God speaks to us."* — St. Jerome

### **MEET AND GREETES**

The "meet and greets" have now been scheduled and everyone should know the location and time of the one they're attending. If unsure, please reach out to Liz Williams at [lwilliams@stpeterduncan.ca](mailto:lwilliams@stpeterduncan.ca)

**"There are people in the world so hungry, that God cannot appear to them except in the form of bread" - Mahatma Gandhi**



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 OR just bring in what you have extra in the pantry.

**This week's food item: Canned Proteins - canned chicken is a great way to provide versatile, high-protein items to those in need. Items like canned tuna and salmon also contain vitamins, omega-3 fatty acids and protein which make a quick and easy meal.**

**The parish office will be closed on Tuesday September 2 in lieu of Labour Day. It will re-open on Wednesday September 3 at 9 a.m.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of August 31:

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

### Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Michael and All Angels, Chemainus
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- The Church of South India (United)

**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:** Anita Hunt (September 1)

**Parish Families:** Lynne Adam and Nicholas and Frank Pietzrak, Midge Adam

**Flowers this week:** The flowers on the Reredos are given to the glory of God by Chris Easley in loving memory of Jake.

## ALONGSIDE HOPE (formerly PWRDF)

No woman should have to give birth in the dark. No nurse should ever have to work without a light.



The **SOLAR SUITCASE** is mounted on a clinic wall, connected to a solar panel on the roof, and powered by the sun. The case holds everything a birth attendant needs to support a safe delivery: bright LED lights, a fetal Doppler, headlamps, phone chargers, and real peace of mind for labouring women. With your help, these suitcases change lives.

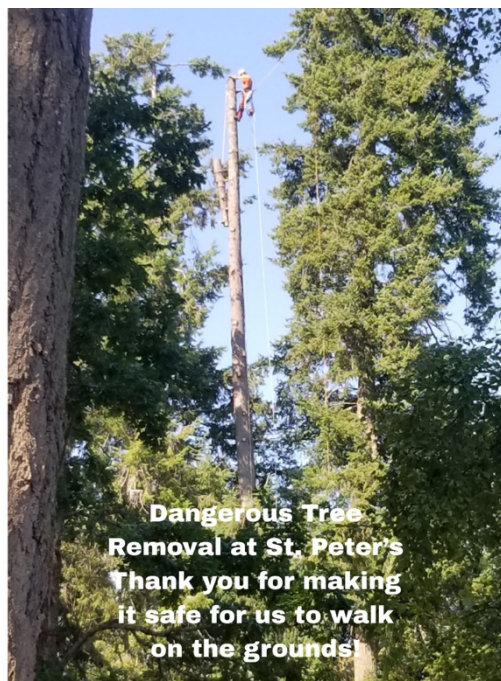
The goal is to install 35 Solar Suitcases in Mozambique and 14 in Madagascar. Each Solar Suitcase costs \$6,500 and thanks to a generous donor, every dollar you give will be matched up to \$150,000. That means your impact could double. **For more information, go to** <https://alongsidehope.org/solar-suitcase/>

Speaking of ALONGSIDE HOPE, our representative William Pike has decided to step down from this role. We thank you for your humble service, William! If anyone at St. Peter's is interested in picking up the mantle, please speak with Reverend Theo.

## GRIEF SHARE



Mill Bay Baptist is hosting a Grief Share group on Monday nights at 7pm (starting September 8.) A Grief Share support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. At this 13-week group, you'll receive valuable guidance and tips, leading you to relief, comfort and peace of mind. Cost to register is \$25. Need more information? Call Pastor Jon Emanuel at 250-533-9616 or click on this link: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/272899>



## WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE

We Together is our regular (once every other year) diocesan conference (November 14/15) to remind us of the ways we are connected.

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. This year's We-Together will highlight the gifts of a selection of people from our diocese.

**Early Bird Rate until September 14th**

**Deadline to register: November 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**More information found at this website:**

<https://bc.anglican.ca/events/we-together-2025/2025-11-14>