



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

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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





- **MEET AND GREETs** taking place throughout September at parishioners' homes.
- **LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE MONICA'S MINISTRY** on Sunday Sept 21st after the 10 a.m. service.
- **WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE** from Friday November 14 to the 15th. *More details below...*
- **THE 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 are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. **On Wednesdays, he will be in the office from 9-10:30 a.m.** Theo welcomes your calls and visits and if you have any pastoral care needs, please don't hesitate to let him know. To reach the office, call 250-746-6262 or you can email Theo directly at trobinson@bc.anglican.ca

HELP NEEDED AT FUNERAL RECEPTION ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 18

St. Peter's is hosting a Funeral Reception, and we are looking for help with table set up and take down, kitchen helpers and laundry. If you can help with this function, please speak with Marianne Nicoll or email the office. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Church Hall.



"I wondered why somebody didn't do something. Then I realized, I am somebody." Unknown

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: School snack items or breakfast items like cereal, oatmeal, granola bars, fruit cups, applesauce, juice boxes.

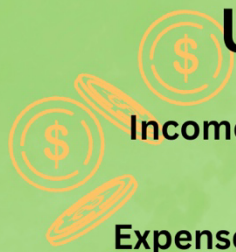
ALONGSIDE HOPE (formerly PWRDF)

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. 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.

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE



Income January-July 2025

\$136,551

Expenses January-July 2025

\$157,510

Difference

\$-20,959



"TIS THE SEASON"

Well, not really but it's never too early to start planning for our big annual fundraiser

**- CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON,
CRAFTS AND SWEET GOODIES -**

Our first planning meeting is Wednesday September 17 at 2 p.m. in the lower hall meeting room. Bring your imagination, enthusiasm and creative minds. If you have any questions, please call Chris Easley at 250 597-0075.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of September 7:

Members of our Congregation: Bonnie Jean, 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, Royal Oak
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- The Anglican Church of South Africa

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: Theo Robinson (September 9), Sue Parmenter (September 13)

Parish Families: Carmen Allen, Bill Anderson, Joan Andrew

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the glory of God by Norah Fisher in loving memory of her parents, Jim and Olive Hull, and husband Frank.

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 3rd

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



We need 1 or 2 volunteers to take the food donations to the Cowichan Valley Basket Society from Sept 11 – October 12. Our regular volunteers, John and Hayley Ivison, will be away during this time. Please speak to the wardens or The Reverend Theo if you're able to help.