



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

- **LUNCHEON TO CELEBRATE MONICA'S MINISTRY** this Sunday after the 10 a.m. service.
- **ORANGE SHIRT DAY** on Sunday September 28. Elder Linda Jack is the guest speaker at the 10 a.m. service
- **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE** on Sunday October 5 at the 10 a.m. service
- **WE TOGETHER DIOCESAN CONFERENCE** from Friday November 14 to the 15th.
- **THE REVEREND THEO'S INDUCTION** Tuesday November 25 at 4 p.m. Potluck supper to follow.

OFFICE NEWS


From The Reverend Theo Robinson - Karen McCullough has graciously agreed to step into the role of Parish Administrator, beginning on September 30, once she is back from vacation. Having already been working at St Peter's once a week, Karen has built up her administrative knowledge, therefore I have full confidence that she will be able to transition into the role without too many bumps. Next time you're in the area, pop in and congratulate Karen on her new position at St Peter's.

WHERE TO FIND REVEREND THEO'S PREVIOUS PUBLISHED WRITINGS

Reverend Theo has been asked to share some of his previously published writings. Almost everything he has written can be found on his blog at <http://tjrobinson.blogspot.com/>. He was also published in "Broadview Magazine" and in a spiritual care textbook, both of which he is willing to lend to those who want to read them.


THE VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE IS UNDERWAY

Please be generous and give with love as Vera did. The food drive continues through the end of this month ...





"When one gives, two get happy."— Amit Kalantri, Wealth of Words.

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 featured request: Toiletries - deodorant, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste and toilet paper





ANOTHER FACE OF ACCESSIBILITY



The **Eagle Feather Literacy Program** has begun! The program will meet on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in Room A and will include snacks and lunch. We hope to train more mentors in the next few months which will mean that we can then accommodate more students. The program starts with 1-1 mentoring. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer mentor, please speak to Deacon Norah. **Financial donations** may be made to the Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan with Eagle Feather Literacy Program in the memo line. This is a wonderful opportunity to help the elders while taking a further step toward reconciliation.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of September 21:

Members of our Congregation: Bonnie Jean, Pat, Vickie, David, Mark, Jane, Jim, Alison, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- St. Peter & St. Paul, Esquimalt
- Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan

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: Ann Bray (September 22), Elijah Gibson (September 24)

Parish Families: Arne Bunyan, Ben Buss, Doreen and Gerry Chaperon

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Allison and Chris Pierce in thanksgiving for the Pierce brothers who all contribute generously to a better world.



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NOTICES

Refugee Sponsorship Information meeting - Tuesday Sept. 23rd from 4 to 5 p.m. at St Michaels Church Hall in Chemainus. Come in person or request a zoom link from laurelemail@yahoo.com Learn about Canada's refugee sponsorship process and an exciting opportunity to support a refugee family to build a new life on Vancouver Island.

High Hopes Tea and Comedy Fundraiser on Saturday September 27 from 11:30 to 3 p.m. at New Life Church. Tickets are \$25 each. Pre-purchase only by using this link: www.houseofgrace.ca/our-events or calling 250-737-4337. Enjoy tea, sandwiches and desserts on fine china. Hear a heartfelt message of hope while being refreshed with live comedy. Door prizes!

Chemainus Classical Concerts presents The Turning of the Leaves on Sunday October 5 at 2:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Church in Chemainus. To reserve tickets, phone Eleanor at 250-478-8383.

Christian Book And Music recently sent out their Fall Catalogue and they have a sale until October 25. Their store in Victoria **delivers to the Valley (free of charge) every Wednesday** so if you place an order over the phone, they'll bring it to St. Peter's. To see their gift selections, go to their website: <http://www.christianbookandmusic.com/>

Mend: An Invitation from Jesus to Return to Land-Based Repair is a new book launched by local writer Jodi Spargur. Are you searching for a meaningful way to respond to the challenges of colonization? This book offers a hands-on pathway for Christians in Canada and beyond to pursue a path of repairing right relations. Centred around the story of Zacchaeus from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 19:1-27), this book serves as a guide, recovering repair as central to discipleship and the restoration of communities to health. Let Mend invite you into a journey of hope, transformation and even joy—discover practical steps to embrace repair and experience the life-changing impact of following Jesus to repair the damage of the colonial project. There will be an online Book Club for Mend in November in the New Leaf Learning Centre. For more information or to register, use this link: <https://www.newleafnetwork.ca/events/mendbookclub>