



# ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

## ANGLICAN CHURCH

### The BEACON Newsletter - April 7, 2023



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

Our 10 a.m. service on Sunday is livestreamed. For Sunday April 7, click on OR copy and paste this **LINK** into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/929329002>

#### A BIRTHDAY INVITATION



All parishioners are invited to Eileen's 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Bash **THIS SATURDAY** (April 6) from 2 to 4 p.m. at St. Peter's Hall. The family is hosting a party for her. It's a time to gather and share memories. You are welcome to share a memory or write one down for someone else to share. Cake and goodies will be provided. Come and enjoy a "cuppa" and a piece of birthday cake and share in this milestone event in Eileen's life.

#### 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. To view the schedule and to register, please use this link: <https://bc.anglican.ca/events/we-together-2024>

#### FLOWERS FOR THE REREDOS



There are 3 Sundays in May available for flower requests. Please check the flower calendar on the hall notice board. The fee is \$50. Chris Easly will contact you regarding your choice of flowers and the wording you wish for the announcement.

#### SCHEDULE FOR READERS



The APRIL schedule is now available for readers of scripture, psalm and prayers of the people on the table across from the church entrance. Please sign up for the 8 and 10am services. The readings will be emailed to you a few days before the designated Sunday.

#### HOUSING REQUEST

An elderly member of St. Peter's is desperately seeking housing. Preferences include a rural setting with space for a well behaved and friendly 2 1/2 year old border collie. If you can help, please call Hazel Nielson at 250 748-8489. Very willing to help with house or pet sitting.

#### FOOD BANK



Food bank donations are gratefully accepted! Please place in the large basket in the church across from the entrance – thank you! You can also drop off your extra reusable bags in the basket outside the church office or in the basket in the church.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of April 7:

**Members of our Congregation:** Jim, Merle, Judi, Jason, Vital, Beverley, Ethel, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Robin, Hazel, Brandon.

### Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Christopher & St. Aidan, Lake Cowichan
- Jim and Norah our Clergy
- The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria

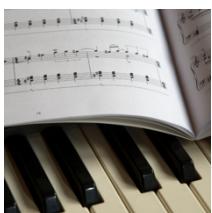
**Government Leaders:** Justin, our Prime Minister, David our Premier, Lydia, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Michelle our mayors.

**Birthday Blessings this week:** Lynne Adam (April 8), Eileen Curtis (April 9), Susan Ellis (April 9), Terry Evans, (April 10), Doreen Chaperon (April 10).

**Parish Families:** Mary Nelson, Marianne Nicoll, Hazel Nielson

**Flowers this week:** The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Pat Thomson in praise of family.

## COMMUNITY CONCERTS



**SHOW OF HANDS** at Duncan United Church on Sunday April 14 at 2 p.m. featuring Ann Mendenhall (Piano), Catharina de Beer (piano), Emily Armour (piano) and Rykie Avenant (piano). For tickets, phone Eleanor at 250-748-8383.

Freedom Gospel Choir presents **GETTIN' READY** at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Friday April 19 (7 p.m.) and Saturday April 20 (at 2 p.m.) Tickets are \$20 and available at Ten Old Books or at the door.

## WALKING IN THE CEMETERY AT ST. PETER'S

WRITTEN BY FORMER PARISHIONER PEGGY RYZAK



Haven of restfulness, haven of peace -  
God's love surrounds us that heartaches may cease;  
Solace to those who are lonely and fear -  
Comfort enfolding all those who walk here.  
Garry oaks, cedars and firs all abound  
Shading in Summer this still-hallowed ground.  
Owls raise their nestlings and glide overhead,  
Does with their fawns in deep grass their bed.  
Lilies in late Spring - a carpet of white  
Shooting stars follow with colours so bright.  
Then comes the camas whose deepening blue  
Seems to reflect the skies vivid hue.  
Those who lie buried in this sacred place  
Knew of God's promise to our human race.  
Just as for us now who walk on this land -  
To treasure the warmth of God's reaching hand  
Is a sign of His caring and infinite love -  
To sustain us forever from heaven above.



**Take a moment to visit our cemetery. There are many benches where you can sit and enjoy the peace and tranquility and the many spring flowers.**