



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

ANGLICAN CHURCH

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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 May 12, click on OR copy and paste
this LINK into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/943011091>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **BOARD GAME CAFÉ** on **THIS MONDAY** at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall
- **ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY CONVERSATION & SOUP LUNCH** on Sunday May 19th at 11:15 a.m.
see below
- **ST. PETER'S OUTDOOR SERVICE & BBQ** on Sunday June 30th at 10 a.m.
- **TAIZE SERVICE IN THE CEMETERY** on Wednesday July 17th at 7 p.m.
- **ST. PETER'S GARAGE SALE** on Saturday July 27th – *see below*

NEXT SUNDAY - ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY CONVERSATION and SOUP LUNCH



Sunday May 19th following the 10 a.m. service.

Here's an opportunity to stay up-to-date on what's happening at St. Peter's and the surrounding area. These quarterly updates are a chance to hear from Parish Council about news that concerns YOU and a chance to ask questions and keep the conversation going.

All welcome! Soup and Bun lunch will be available.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of May 12:

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

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Jim and Norah our Clergy
- St. George the Martyr, Cadboro Bay
- The Anglican Church of Burundi

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

Birthday Blessings this week: Stephanie Kawchuk (May 14), Jane James (May 15)

Parish Families: Sheila Sanders, Brian and Lynn Simmons, Diana Sly.

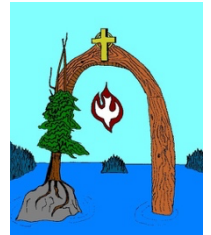
Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Marianne Nicoll in memory of Locke Wightman and her sister Gillian.

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Peter's is part of the Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets which consists of 45 parishes! Have you ever wondered what the other churches in this Diocese are like? Perhaps you've gone to one or two of them when you're visiting family "up island" or gone to a special service in Victoria? As an ongoing long-term project, I will try and shed a little light on as many of the 45 parishes as possible starting with.... **St. Columba's Anglican United Church in Port Hardy!**



St Columba's Anglican United Church developed during the early 1970's in a period when the United and Anglican Churches in Canada were exploring closer ties. The building was originally built during World War II near the airport as a recreation hall and served a variety of purposes until it was purchased by the congregation and moved by truck and barge to its current location. The shared ministry agreement of a rotating fixed 4-year term has been amended to allow more flexibility in calling ministers but the tradition of alternating between Anglican and United ministers has generally continued. Rev. Christine Muise, an Anglican priest is currently the minister. Services are held every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. followed by a free drop in lunch at 11:45 a.m. They also host a Loaves and Fishes bi-weekly food bank pick-up which includes the ability to choose the food from what is on offer.



The image to the right was created by parishioner Robert Fyles and signifies:

- The cedar tree was truly a tree of life for the First Nations who have shared their land with us.
- The tree grows out of a rock, just as our faith is founded on the rock of Our Savior's love.
- The arch way rises out of the water as we rise from the waters of baptism into new life.

If you're in the Port Hardy area this summer, why not check them out!

Sunday May 12th is MOTHER'S DAY

Let us acknowledge the wide continuum of mothering*

- ♥ To those who gave birth this year to their first child—we celebrate with you
- ♥ To those who lost a child this year – we mourn with you
- ♥ To those who are in the trenches with little ones every day and wear the badge of food stains – we appreciate you
- ♥ To those who experienced loss this year through miscarriage, failed adoptions, or running away—we mourn with you
- ♥ To those who walk the hard path of infertility, fraught with pokes, prods, tears, and disappointment – we walk with you. Forgive us when we say foolish things. We don't mean to make this harder than it is.
- ♥ To those who are foster moms, mentor moms, and spiritual moms – we need you
- ♥ To those who have warm and close relationships with your children – we celebrate with you
- ♥ To those who have disappointment, heart ache, and distance with your children – we sit with you
- ♥ To those who lost their mothers this year – we grieve with you
- ♥ To those who experienced abuse at the hands of your own mother – we acknowledge your experience
- ♥ To those who lived through driving tests, medical tests, and the overall testing of motherhood – we are better for having you in our midst
- ♥ To those who will have emptier nests in the upcoming year – we grieve and rejoice with you
- ♥ And to those who are pregnant with new life, both expected and surprising –we anticipate with you
- ♥ This Mother's Day, we walk with you. Mothering is not for the faint of heart and we have real warriors in our midst. We remember you.

*Excerpt from Amy Young's **Exhortation for Mother's Day**

If you ordered a spring hanging basket or pot, they are ready for pick up THIS SUNDAY. Fortunately, Mark Oldnall ordered extras, so if you didn't order one and would like to get one, come and speak to Mark after the church services.