



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN

ANGLICAN CHURCH

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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. For Sunday June 23, click on OR copy and paste

this LINK into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/955579448>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- **ST. PETER'S OUTDOOR SERVICE & BBQ** on Sunday June 30th at 10 a.m. – see below
- **TAIZE SERVICE** on Wednesday July 17th at 7 p.m. in St. Peter's Cemetery.
- **ST. PETER'S GARAGE SALE** on Saturday July 27th 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

UPDATE DURING THIS TIME OF TRANSITION AT ST. PETER'S

This Sunday, June 23 we are recognizing **Refugee Sunday** and the Reverend William Pike will celebrate the eucharist at the 8 a.m. service. At the 10 a.m. eucharist service, we welcome the Very Reverend Ansley. **See back page for more information about Ansley.**

During this time of transition, please **WEAR YOUR NAMETAGS** to extend our welcome to new clergy AND visitors! Temporary "stick-ons" nametags will be available if you haven't ordered a "St. Peter's" one yet.

PRIMATES WORLD RELIEF DEVELOPMENT FUND - REFUGEE SUNDAY JUNE 23



Do you have a passion for cycling? Baking? Walking? Reading? No matter what your favourite activity, you're invited to join the third annual **PWRDF Wild Ride!** This year our goal is to surpass last year's result and raise \$65,000, to mark PWRDF's 65-year commitment to accompanying refugees and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs).

The 2024 PWRDF Wild Ride launched on Thursday June 20 and runs until Thanksgiving. This annual campaign is once again supporting our partners who work with refugees or IDPs in places such as Gaza, Ethiopia, Tanzania, South Sudan, Jordan, Ukraine and more.

Nothing is too simple. Walking around the block (or equivalent) once a week until Oct 13 at \$5 a time for 15 weeks would make a donation of \$75!! Or you can knit dish cloths or hats and ask your friends or family to pledge an amount for each item. If many take part, we will have good news to share at Thanksgiving. For more information, speak to the PWRDF Committee members: Rev. William Pike, Chris Easly or Sheila Sanders OR go to: <https://pwrdf.org/take-the-wild-ride-65-for-65-challenge/>

ALSO after today's services, Subhia will be selling a selection of Syrian foods and Artist Nan Goodship will be selling her art cards. Proceeds from these two ventures will go towards helping Subhia's brother and his family who are trying to leave their dire situation in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

INDIGENOUS DAY OF PRAYER – MESSAGE FROM BISHOP ANNA



As we mark Indigenous Day of Prayer this week, I encourage you to read the first four pages of the recent *Faith Tides* issue (**copies are on the credenza**). Please take a copy home to read, or read the articles online at www.faithtides.ca (or on the church website), and then write letters to the federal government advocating for day school survivors. Marvin's experience is a call to renew our actions toward reconciliation.

ST PETER'S OUTDOOR SERVICE & BBQ



On Sunday June 30, there will be an outdoor service at 10 a.m. followed by lunch. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided, and we ask that for those who are able to please bring a salad or dessert to share. There's a sign-up sheet in the Hall. If you can help with set up or take down, please indicate this on the right-hand column of the sign-up sheet.

ST PETER'S GARAGE SALE IS ON SATURDAY JULY 27

Even if you're unable to be at the sale, there are many ways that you can still help:



- Promote the event by hanging up posters and flyers
- Share the event with your Facebook friends and on other social media sites
- Collect bags and empty boxes for buyers to bring home their items
- Sort your treasures to donate or help a friend de-clutter their home
- Sign-up to help (sign-up sheet is in the hall)
- Pick up sellable goods from your friends and neighbours and bring them to the hall July 22-26

Popular items to sell at a garage sale:

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| ♥ Books | ♥ Stools or small chairs |
| ♥ Toys | ♥ Ties & Sunglasses |
| ♥ Duplo and LEGO sets | ♥ Purses and Handbags |
| ♥ Crafts & Scrapbooking | ♥ Sports Equipment |
| ♥ Coloring or Puzzle Books | ♥ Plants |
| ♥ Art & Décor (Xmas decorations) | ♥ Clothes |
| ♥ Towels & Linen | ♥ Costumes |
| ♥ Vinyl, CDs, and DVDs | ♥ Tools |
| ♥ Power tools | ♥ Home Renovation supplies or cast-offs |
| ♥ Gardening Tools | ♥ Camping Gear |
| ♥ Video Games, Consoles and Controllers | ♥ Furniture |
| ♥ Weights or Exercise Equipment | ♥ Bikes, Scooters & Skateboards |

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of June 23:

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

Anglican Cycle:

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| • Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC | • First Nations Ministries |
| • Jim, Norah, Ansley, William, our Clergy | • The Church of England |

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

Birthday Blessings this week: Ron Parker (June 26), Bob King (June 29)

Parish Families: Bill and Judi Anderson, Joan Andrew, Linda Beliveau

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Mary Nelson in fond memory of our loving parents, CG and Dorothy Nelson and our oldest brother Charles Gordon Nelson from Ruben (Butch) and Mary Nelson.

GETTING TO KNOW THE VERY REVEREND ANSLEY TUCKER



Despite having lived all over the country, the Very Reverend Ansley Tucker is a native of Vancouver Island, having been born in Victoria and spent her primary school years here. Childhood recollections of a screaming seagull on every lamppost, liquid sunshine (aka misty drizzle), and driftwood on Willows Beach flooded unexpectedly into focus the day she landed at YYJ in 2015 to become the dean of the diocese and rector of Christ Church Cathedral. She has spent the past two years trying to figure out retirement and is happy both to be serving as the very part-time diocesan director of deacons, and - this summer - as a priest and pastor who can come alongside St Peter's while Rev. Jim recovers his good health.

Ansley holds degrees in nursing, divinity, and theology. She is passionate about excellence in liturgy, theological and biblical literacy amongst all members of the Church, and delights in congregations who can set aside their handwringing about survival and focus instead on God's mission to mend a broken world. She has served in parishes large and small; urban, rural and suburban; wealthy and poor; NDP orange and dyed-in-the-wool Tory blue. Every single one felt like home.



Ansley is the mostly proud, but sometimes embarrassed, owner of a single-minded wire fox terrier named Jody. In her free time, she "plays at" the piano, knits sweaters for other people's children, reads (a lot), and takes courses in everything from art appreciation to algebra. She is looking forward to this time together.



Okay, now that we've gotten the serious part out of the way, here's a LESS SERIOUS INTERVIEW WITH ANSLEY:

What's your favorite place on earth? **Bed but I'd live in Boston in a heartbeat.**

If you could only eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be? **Anything but pancakes. Or beer.**

What's the best thing you've read in the last five years? **Best biography: David Blight's Frederick Douglass – Prophet of Freedom; Best fiction: Michelle Good's Five Little Indians; Best theology: Phil Cousineau's The Art of Pilgrimage: The Seeker's Guide to Making Travel Sacred; Best socio-historical commentary: Thomas L. Friedman's From Beirut to Jerusalem**

Do you like coffee or tea better? **Coffee, by a landslide!**

Are you an early bird or a night owl? **I love the mornings, but (as I also love my bed!), I no longer get up at 5.15 a.m.**

What is on your bucket list? **Washing the windows on my townhouse. Literally.**

If you could time travel, when and where would you go? **No idea!**

Who's your dream dinner party guest, living or dead? **Desmond Tutu**

What is something people would never guess just by looking at you? **I used to be able to sing a high E. Also, at one time I knew every single word to Gilbert & Sullivan's Mikado and HMS Pinafore.**

What makes you laugh the most? **I have a wry and slightly cheeky sense of humour, relishing the ironies in human behaviour.**

What did teachers used to say about you on your report card—and is it still true **"It is a pleasure to have Ansley in my class," or some other such drivel. St Peter's will have to decide for itself if this is still true!**

What makes you feel at peace? **Not leaving undone those things which I ought to have done! Also, solitude and birdsong.**