



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 February 18, click on OR copy and paste this **LINK** into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/912057305>



GAMES NIGHT

Will be held on **Monday February 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall**. Bring along your favourite game and a snack to share for a couple of hours of good wholesome fun!



SOUP MAKING at St. Peter's

Our **SECOND soup making day is Friday February 23 at 2 p.m. There is a sign up sheet in the Hall**. Liz and Monica will lead the soup making – please direct any inquiries to them. The soup will be served at the Annual Meeting of Parishioners on Sunday February 25.



HELP NEEDED FOR PEGGY RYZAKS FUNERAL TEA

Helpers are needed to set up, serve and clean up at the funeral reception on Saturday February 24. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet in the Hall or speak to Marianne Nicoll.



ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

Our AMP is fast approaching on **Sunday February 25th at 10 a.m. in the Hall**. If you would like a **printed copy of the annual report**, please email the Parish Administrator admin@stpeterduncan.ca The printed copies will be ready for pick up on Sunday (on the credenza as you enter the church). A soup and bun lunch will be served after the meeting.



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: THE CROSS OF LOVE

Please sign up for the Lenten Bible Study with Rev. Jim on **Thursday afternoons starting February 29 and continuing March 7/14/21 at 2 p.m. in Rm A (lower hall)**. Sign up sheet is in the Hall.



PWRDF

NEWS from PWRDF

Probably highest on the huge list of dire humanitarian situations in the world at the moment is the plight of the people of Gaza. Within days of the raid by Hamas into Israeli territory, PWRDF issued an emergency appeal for Gaza and immediately sent a relief grant of \$30,000 to their long-standing partner, the Al-Ahli Arab Hospital, operated by the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. This grant was used to hire much-needed staff and to buy an increased supply of fuel and medical supplies.

Now, as PWRDF and their partners look to future long-term support in the region, a proposal for a six-month project to run from February 1, 2024, to July 31, 2024, has been designed in consultation with a partnership of Anglican humanitarian and development agencies, including PWRDF, by the Anglican Alliance. Eight agencies from five countries (Australia, New Zealand, UK, USA and Canada), have joined hands in support of a single proposal. See more at <https://pwrdf.org> or contact Rev William Pike, Parish Rep at pwrdf@stpeterduncan.ca

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Service written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Palestine, prepared and adapted for use in Canada by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. Ecumenical Worship Service will be held on Friday March 1 at 1 p.m. at Duncan United Church. Refreshments following the service.

NEWS from the COWICHAN VALLEY BASKET SOCIETY



The CVBS is hosting its first annual **Friends of the Food Bank Gala** on March 16th at the Cowichan Curling Club (3191 Sherman Rd). Tickets are \$125 each and you will be issued a charity receipt for \$80. Food will be provided by Gibby's Catering and there will be wonderful entertainment along with the silent and live auctions.

Please consider donating a quality item for the live or silent auctions. Go to <https://cvbs.ca/gala/> for more information, buy tickets or donate. On March 1st silent auction items will go live to bid on. Proceeds from the gala will be equally distributed to fulfill our mission and pay down the mortgage on our properties. Thank you for helping us address food insecurity in the Cowichan valley. For more information contact henry@cvbs.ca

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of February 18:

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

For Those Who Have Died: We pray for Pearl and her family as they mourn the death of Rev. Chris Stoker. "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon him. May he rest in peace and rise again in glory!"

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Holy Trinity, Sooke
- Jim and Norah our Clergy
- Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan

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: Alison Wilcock (February 23)

Parish Families: Theresa Karlsson, Mary Kelly, Ron Kilian

AN INVITATION TO JOIN IN A CONVERSATION about the future of the Anglican Church in the Cowichan Valley

The Anglican Church is at the threshold of significant change. We are the church in this time and this place. How are we going to respond? Where is the Spirit calling us? What are the values that inform who we are? What do we want to hold on to and what do we want to let go of? How can we move forward together in faith and trust?

Who: Anyone interested in the future of the Anglican Church in the Cowichan Valley.

Where: St. John's, Duncan.

When: March 23rd at 10:00 a.m. (muffins, coffee and tea provided).

Why: To explore the way forward for the parishes of the Cowichan Valley and to offer advice and recommendations to the Bishop.

If you have questions, please contact: Mark Oldnall 250-710-8900 moldnall@gmail.com

MOTHER'S DAY HANGING BASKET FUNDRAISER



We're getting ready for our SPRING fundraiser. There are a variety of hanging baskets and mixed pots (sun or shade) and strawberry pots. Order forms are available from the church, hall, parish office and website. Orders must be in by March 26 and the baskets/pots will be available for pickup on Mother's Day (May 12).

The Parish Office will be closed from Friday February 16 until Wednesday February 21.