



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 January 21, click on OR copy and paste this **LINK** into your web browser: <https://vimeo.com/902757693>

ARE YOU CALLED?



The **2024 St. Peter's Parish Council** will have a special role, that of creating a vision for the future and guiding the parish forward with creativity, passion, and care. Parish Council gatherings will operate less as “business meetings” and more as significant conversations about how the parish might become more effective as an instrument of God’s love and light in the Cowichan Valley. Does this interest you? If so, pray about it and then talk to Rev. Jim or Liz or Norah or Mark Oldnall.

Coming up at St. Peter's

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 25
AT 10 A.M. IN THE HALL FOLLOWED BY LUNCH**

There will be **NO 8 a.m. service** on this day.

TEAM REPORTS for the **ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2023** need to be emailed to the Parish Administrator no later than January 29. Written reports need to be sent as WORD documents and financial statements need to be sent as PDF documents.

Thank you!

SOUP MAKING at St. Peter's



Our first soup making day is Saturday January 27 at 10 a.m. There is a sign up sheet in the Hall. For the first one, Liz and Monica will lead the soup making – please direct any inquiries to them. See below for the date of our first **SOUPER BOWL Sunday**.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for these other events:

- **SOUPER BOWL Sunday** – Sunday January 28 following the 10 a.m. service.
- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** at St. John's Church – Tuesday February 13. Gather at 4:30 p.m. and supper at 5 p.m. Freewill offering. Look for the sign up sheet in the Hall.



DESPERATELY SEEKING A SHORT TERM PLACEMENT for a well behaved 2 year old border collie. If you can help, please call Hazel Nielson at 250 748-0475.



COWICHAN BASKET SOCIETY is looking for reusable grocery bags for their food hamper program. Please drop them off in the large basket in the church on Sundays or in the “marked” basket outside the parish office.



ST PETER'S NAME TAGS

If you'd like to have a nametag with our NEW design, please PRINT your first and last name on the **sign up sheet in the Hall**.



FORWARD DAY BY DAY BOOKS

The Forward Day by Day books have arrived for February/March/April 2024. These books offer daily meditation and accompanying scripture. The books can be found on the table outside the parish office and on the credenza in the church. Each book is \$2.



2024 CALENDARS

The 2024 Canadian Church Calendars (Anglican edition) have arrived. Available for sale from the parish office. \$8 each.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of January 21:

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

For Those Who Have Died: We pray for the family of Frances Montgomery who mourn her death. “Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon her. May she rest in peace and rise again in glory!”

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Christ Church Cathedral, Victoria
- The Church of South India (United)
- Jim, Chris, and Norah our Clergy

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: Pat Eagar (January 27)

Parish Families: Connie and Lloyd Gerbrandt, Yolande Gore, Rod and Denise Gray.

Flowers this week: The flowers on the Reredos are given to the Glory of God by Adele MacLeod in celebration of the MacLeod grand twins' birthday.

Hope is the Thing With Feathers

by Emily Dickinson

HOPE IS THE THING WITH FEATHERS
THAT PERCHES IN THE SOUL,
AND SINGS THE TUNE WITHOUT THE WORDS,
AND NEVER STOPS AT ALL,

AND SWEETEST IN THE GALE IS HEARD;
AND SORE MUST BE THE STORM
THAT COULD ABASH THE LITTLE BIRD
THAT KEPT SO MANY WARM.

I'VE HEARD IT IN THE CHILLEST LAND,
AND ON THE STRANGEST SEA;
YET, NEVER, IN EXTREMITY,
IT ASKED A CRUMB OF ME.

