



ST. PETER

ANGLICAN CHURCH

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March 15, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Lent



"I came into this world for judgement so that those who do not see may see,
and those who do see may become blind." JOHN 9:1-41

The parish of St Peter Anglican Church is located on the unceded, traditional territory of the Ligwi'da'xw people: the We Wai Kai, Wei Wai Kum, and Kwiakah First Nations; the unceded traditional territory of the K'omoks First Nation and the unceded traditional territory of the Homalco First Nation. We seek a new relationship with the first peoples here; one based on honour and respect. We pray that we may live

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Processional Hymn: CP 162 Sing of God Made Manifest

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Sentence:

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; those who follow me will have the light of life. *John 8.12*

Dominical Greeting:

Celebrant:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People:

And also with you.

Seasonal Greeting:

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: God's mercy endures for ever.

Invitation to Confession:

Celebrant:

Dear Friends in Christ, as we prepare for the Paschal Feast, continuing in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers, let us make ready our hearts to renew the covenant of our baptism before our Creator and Redeemer.

Confession:

Holy and immortal God,
**you formed us from the dust in your image,
and redeemed us from sin and death
by the cross of our Saviour.**

Through the washing of baptism
you raised us up with him
to share in the new covenant with all your holy people.

But we have squandered the inheritance of your saints,
and have wandered far in a land that is waste.

Therefore we turn to you in penitence and humility,

In your great mercy, forgive us and restore us,
that we may rejoice in your presence,
and walk in your ways
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Absolution:

Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Kyrie Eleison: SNC 179 x 3

Silence is kept

Collect of the Day: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word:

Let us listen for the word of God in Holy Scripture

All: Our hearts and minds are open.

First Reading: [1 Samuel 16:1-13](#)

Dave Storrie

Psalm: Psalm 23

Kristina Melvin

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Gospel Acclamation

SNC 210 Kindle a Flame to Lighten the Dark

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel [John 9:1-41](#)

Response to Gospel:

SNC 211 Hold Us in Your Grace

Sermon The Rev. Stephanie Wood

We keep a few moments of silent reflection following the sermon.

Affirmation of Faith (Apostle's Creed):

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

People **And also with you.**

The people greet one another in the name of Christ

Offertory Hymn:

CP 612 Healer of Our Every Ill

Celebrant Thanks be to you,

People **Lord Jesus Christ,**

For all the benefits you have given us,

And all that you have borne for us.

In our sharing in the Eucharist,

In Church or at home,

We ask you to come spiritually into our hearts.

O most merciful redeemer,

Friend and brother,

May we know you more clearly,

Love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly,

Day by day. Amen.

St. Richard (1197-1253) of Chichester

Let us pray.

The Prayer over the Gifts

God of light,

your Word brings to us a new vision of your glory.

Accept our offering of praise and thanksgiving,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer 1

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is indeed right that we should praise you,
gracious God,
for you created all things.
You formed us in your own image.
In the diversity of creation, you made us.
When we turned away from you in sin,
you did not cease to care for us,
but opened a path of salvation for all people
You made a covenant with Israel,
and through your servants Abraham and Sarah
gave the promise of a blessing to all nations.
Through Moses you led your people
from bondage into freedom;
through the prophets
you renewed your promise of salvation.
Therefore, with them, and with all your saints
who have served you in every age,
we give thanks and raise our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

**People Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant Holy God, source of life and goodness,
all creation rightly gives you praise.
In the fullness of time,
you sent your Son Jesus Christ,
to share our human nature,
to live and die as one of us,
to reconcile us to you,
the God and Father of all.
He healed the sick
and ate and drank with outcasts and sinners;
he opened the eyes of the blind
and proclaimed the good news of your kingdom
to the poor and to those in need.
In all things he fulfilled your gracious will.

On the night he freely gave himself to death,
our Lord Jesus Christ took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples,
and said, " Take, eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to them,
and said, " Drink this, all of you:
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."

Gracious God,
his perfect sacrifice
destroys the power of sin and death;
by raising him to life

you give us life for evermore.

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Celebrant: Recalling his death,
proclaiming his resurrection,
and looking for his coming again in glory,
we offer you, Father, this bread and this cup.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts,
that all who eat and drink at this table
may be one body and one holy people,
a living sacrifice in Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, almighty Father,
now and for ever.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours,

now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant We break this bread,

People **Communion in Christ's body once broken**

Celebrant: Let your Church be the wheat
which bears its fruit in dying.

All: **If we have died with him,
we shall live with him;
If we hold firm,
we shall reign with him.**

Lamb of God:

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you call us to the way of your cross:

Have mercy on us, mercy on us, mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:

Grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

(Communion: Music team communicated after the singing of the Lamb of God.

*Congregation to follow after the music team have returned to their respective positions
at the piano/altar)*

Eucharistic Hymns:

SNC 11 At Last We Gather Here Again/Agnus Dei

SNC 83 Though Hope Desert My Heart

SNC 58 Mothering God

Ablutions:

SNC 86 You Are Holy

Prayer after Communion:

Father,

through your goodness

we receive your Son in word and sacrament.

May we always have faith in him,

Jesus Christ the Lord.

Solemn Prayer Over the People

Look down in mercy, Lord, on your people who kneel before you; and grant that those whom you have nourished by your Word and sacraments may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: CP 455 Dear God, Compassionate and Kind

The Dismissal:

LA: Let us bless the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Parish Happenings

- **Office hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9-1, closed on Fridays. **Note: The Office will be closed after Easter for one week—Monday April 6 to 10**
- **Coffee Hour:** Every Monday 10 am, St. Matthew's room. Also on Zoom. Join Zoom Meeting - Meeting ID: [812 0587 4273](#)
- **Prayer Chain** meeting is the first Wednesday of every month at 10:30.
- **Council Meeting:** every 3rd week of the month. Next meeting is March 17, 2026 7pm in the Library.
- **Healing Services:** Usually the third Sunday of each month at 4 pm. The next healing service is on March 15.
- **Evening Prayer:** Evening prayer at 6:30 pm on Monday Evenings.
- **Midweek Eucharists:** all are welcome, please join us:
Wednesday—Midweek Eucharist 12:30
Thursday – Meditative Eucharist 12:30
- **Chat & Chill Gathering** Every Friday 10 am in the St. Matthew's Room.
- **Mindfulness Group:** Every Wednesday in the library from 3:15 to 4:00 pm.
- **Prayer Chain Requests?** Email the Prayer Chain if you have a prayer request prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com. There is

also box in the Narthex where you may leave a prayer message.

Announcements

- **“Lenten Soup Supper:** For the five weeks of Lent, St. Peter will combine Evening Prayer with a soup supper. Each week 2 participants will bring a soup (commercial or homemade) to feed a total of 20 people. Another participant will bring bread or buns to feed 20 people. After supper, the people attending the soup supper can join in and participate in the short service of Evening Prayer led by Kristina Melvin. Supper will begin at 5:45. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. The Soup Supper will begin on Monday, February 23 if there are a sufficient number of participants.”
- **Alarm System:** We are in the process of establishing codes for the alarm system. The system is not yet live.
- **Lent 2026-Alongside Hope:** “Taking the Wild Paths of Peace” written by Martha Jarvis. It is downloadable for all of Lent or as a daily devotional alongsidehope.org/lent2026/.
- **Lenten Bible Study:** Tuesday mornings at 10:30.
- **Compline for Lent:** Online from St. John the Divine every Thursday evening at 9 pm until March 26. For the Zoom link and order of service, please go to <https://www.stjohnthedivine.bc.ca/events/compline-for-lent--1051/2026-02-26>

Parish Staff and Leaders

Rector's Warden: Tony Smith
 People's Warden: Pauline Woods
 Deputy Warden: Preston Brown
 People's Deputy Warden: Rick Monchak
 Treasurer: Holly Finn
 Church Administrator/
 Communications: Trina Soltys
 Custodian: Janic Kozak
 Prayer Chain: Sue Vickery
 Envelope Secretary: Frank Maga
 Healing Prayer Ministry: Sue Vickery
 Lay Assistants & Readers: Pauline Woods
 Spirit Editor: Jane Monchak
 Spirit Design & Production: Trina Soltys
 Mindfulness: Jane Jennings

Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen
 Librarian: Jane Jennings
 Safe Church: Andrea Charlton
 Alongside Hope (formerly PWRDF)
 Representative: Barb Henshall
 Building & Grounds: George Wagner
 Chat & Chill: Frances Payne
 Sides persons: Pam Hedderson
 Zoom master: Tony Smith
 Music Ministry: Kate Fitzsimmons,
 Georgia Smith, Lori Gooldrup. Jillian
 Penner
 Altar Guild: Kim Jarvis, Leslie MacLennan
 Community Garden Liaison: Rick
 Monchak

Budget to Jan 31, 2026	Actual Jan-Feb	Budget Jan-Feb	Budget 2026
Envelope - General	23,085	24,166	145,000
TOTAL REVENUE	75,449	32,187	193,125
TOTAL EXPENSE	45,237	35,169	\$211,020
NET INCOME	30,212	-2,982	-17,895

WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PETER

- During Sunday Worship: offering plate at each Sunday service. Cash or cheques are accepted.
- Automatic Withdrawal: 'PAR' can easily be set up. Contact the church treasurer.
- Give online: 'Donate' button located on the top right corner of the church website at stpeterscampbellriver.com. Or use the QR code below:



ALL IDENTIFIABLE FINANCIAL GIFTS ARE RECEIPTED ANNUALLY BY THE END OF FEBRUARY FOR THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR.

Zoom Sunday Service—It is always the same number. It is also noted in your weekly email. JOIN ZOOM MEETING (Point, control & click to open link). No password required.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81674662027?pwd=OnRp57l8WlFWk9LeT1Pzn07pjlsi.1>

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