



**The Reverend Stephanie Wood**

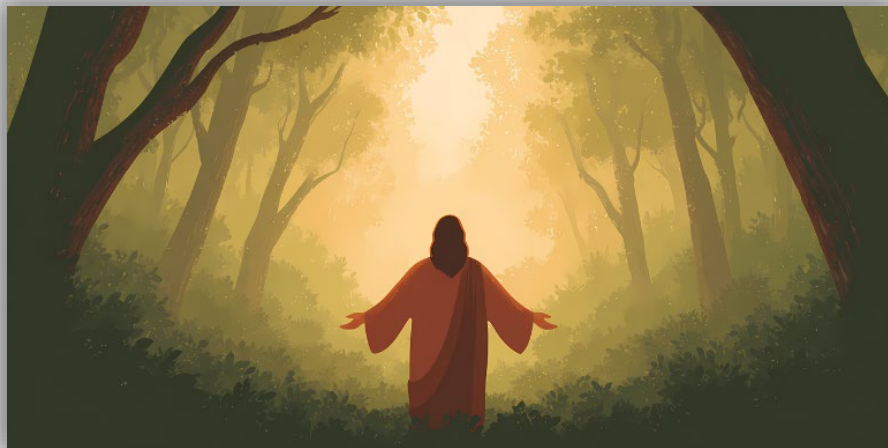
**Bishop:** The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

Diocese of Islands and Inlets

May 17, 2026

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Ascension Sunday**



He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; he sends  
forth his voice, his mighty voice. *Psalms 68*

*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 more deeply into the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.*

**May 17, 2026—Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**Processional Hymn: CP 374 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

**Welcome**

*Land Acknowledgement*

**The Penitential Rite**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*1John 1.8,9*

Officiant:

Dear friends in Christ,  
as we prepare to worship almighty God,  
let us with penitent and obedient hearts  
confess our sins,  
that we may obtain forgiveness  
by His infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence is kept*

**All: Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves,  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us,  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Officiant:

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

## Morning Prayer

Officiant: Lord, open our lips,

**All: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

**All: O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Amen.**

**Alleluia!**

## The Invitatory

Officiant: Alleluia! The Sun of righteousness has risen: O come, let us worship.

## Venite

Psalm 95, 1-7

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*

**let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.**

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God, \*

**and a great king above all gods.**

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

**and the heights of the hills are his also.**

The sea is his for he made it, \*

**and his hands have molded the dry land.**

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

**and kneel before the Lord our maker.**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his  
pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*

**Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

### **Christ our Passover (Pascha Nostrum)**

Alleluia!

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*

**therefore let us keep the feast,**

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil; \*

**but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

**Alleluia!**

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*

**death no longer has dominion over him.**

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*

**but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

So also consider yourselves dead to sin; \*

**and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!**

Christ has been raised from the dead; \*

**the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.**

For since by a man came death; \*

**by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.**

For as in Adam all die; \*

**so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!**

### **The Proclamation of the Word**

Let us listen for the word of God in Holy Scripture

**All: Our hearts and minds are open.**

**1st Reading:** Acts 1:1-11

Jennifer Coolen

**Psalm:** [Psalm 47](#)

Musical Selection

### **Gloria Patri**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

As it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. **Amen.**

**Second Lesson:** Ephesians 1:15-23

Jennifer Coolen

## **Canticle 26: You are God**

You are God: we praise you;  
**you are the Lord: we acclaim you;**  
**you are the eternal Father:**  
**all creation worships you.**

**To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.**

**Throughout the world the holy Church acclaim you:  
Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.**

**You, Christ, are the King of Glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia! Lord and saviour; open now your saving word.  
Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.  
Alleluia! Lord, we sing, for the good news that you bring.**

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Officiant: Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Gospel: Luke 24:44-53          Kristina Melvin**

Officiant: The Gospel of Christ

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia (sung)**

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

**Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed):**

Officiant:

Let us confess our faith, as we say,

**All: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father.  
With the Father and the Son  
he is worshipped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers of Intercession**

Prayers of the Community – Sue Vickery

### **The Peace**

Officiant: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

*The people greet one another in the name of Christ*

### **Offertory Hymn & Offering:**

**CP 378 Crown Him with Many Crowns**

Let us pray.

### **The Prayer over the Gifts**

Source of all joy,  
receive our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving.  
Keep us in the love of Christ  
and bring us to the vision of his glory;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Collect**

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of his peace and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Officiant: 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.**

### **Benediction and Announcements**

Officiant:

May we rest today and all days with humility centered into our hearts. May we be protected from the powers and fears that tempt us to dominate others. That we all possess a clear and steadfast clarity so that we may lead, as we also follow – without threat to our sense of self. May we live responsibly and tenderly and that power would never come at the expense of Someone else's. Amen.

### **Recessional Hymn:**

**CP 425 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

### **The Dismissal:**

LA: Go in peace to love and serve our living God. Alleluia

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

### **Parish Happenings**

- Office hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9-1, closed on Fridays. 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 May 19, 2026, 7pm in the Library.
- Healing Services: Usually the third Sunday of each month at 4 pm. The next healing service is on May 17.
- 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 3:30 to 4:15 pm.
- Prayer Chain Requests? Email the Prayer Chain if you have a prayer request [prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com](mailto:prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com). There is also box in the Narthex where you may leave a prayer message.

## Announcements

- **Thursday, May 14:** JOY! club trip to Butterfly World at Coombs. See poster and [sign up sheet](#) on the bulletin board.
- **May 24<sup>th</sup>, 10 am**– Pentecost outdoor service in the parking lot. Bring a chair for yourself. Wear something red!
- For the month of May, money dropped into our “noisy offering” jar is being donated to the White Stork program which delivers first aid kits to Ukraine.
- Please note that our Zoom coverage of Sunday services will cease for the summer and resume in mid- August. The last Zoom service will be May 17.
- Planning for the church picnic is underway! We need a **Coordinator** to take the lead on this. If you would like to get involved in making this event a success, please let us know!
- Stephanie on vacation from May 11 to May 23.
- Do you have an emergency kit and grab-and-go bag?
  - We are focusing on ‘how to be prepared for an emergency’. Check out the table in the Narthex (help yourself to the information/signs).
  - If you would like to follow up further, the link to a really good site is: [PreparedBC](#)

## 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: Trina Soltys  
 Custodian: Janice Kozak  
 Lay Assistants & Readers: Pauline Woods  
 Envelope Secretary: Frank Maga  
 Healing Prayer Ministry: Sue Vickery  
 Mindfulness: Jane Jennings

Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen  
 Librarian: Jane Jennings  
 Safe Church: Andrea Charlton  
 Alongside Hope Rep: Barb Henshall  
 Building&Grounds: George Wagner  
 Chat & Chill: Frances Payne  
 Sides persons: Pam Hedderson  
 Music Ministry: Kate Fitzsimmons, Georgia Smith, Lori Gooldrup, Jillian Penner  
 Spirit Editor: Jane Monchak  
 Sprit Design & Production: Trina Soltys  
 Community Garden Liaison: Rick Monchak

Budget to April. 30, 2026	Actual	Budget	Budget
	Jan-Apr	Jan-Apr	2026
<b>Envelope-General</b>	46,991	63,399	190,200
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	106,538	64,374	193,125
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	88,405	40,339	211,020
<b>Less value of bequest</b>	-45,000		
<b>NET INCOME</b>	-26,866	-5,964	-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](http://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.

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*Please remember that The church is a scent-free zone. Help us keep the air we share healthy and fragrance-free.*

*Thank you.*