



ST. PETER

ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Reverend Stephanie Wood

Bishop: The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

Diocese of Islands and Inlets

July 26, 2026

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



*The parish
Anglican*

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.

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Church is*

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Processional Hymn:

SNC 31 Beyond the Beauty and the Awe

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Sentence:

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.
John 6.68

The Gathering of the Community

All Stand

Celebrant:

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

All: And also with you.

Collect for Purity

Celebrant: Almighty God

**All: To you all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts,
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that
we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your Holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Gloria: CP 365 v. 1

**Glory to God on high, and peace to all on earth.
We worship you, we give you thanks,
our heavenly King.
We give you praise,
almighty God and Father blessed in glory bright.**

Collect of The Day:

O God,
the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,

increase and multiply upon us your mercy,
that with you as our ruler and guide,
we may so pass through things temporal,
that we lose not the things eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **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

[Genesis 29:15-28](#)

Rick Monchak

Psalm

Psalm 128, Page 886

Andrea Charlton

Second Reading

[Romans 8:26-39](#)

Rick Monchak

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.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Celebrant:

Hear the Good News of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Gospel: [Matthew 13:31-33,44-52](#)

Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia , alleluia, Alleluia(sung)**

Sermon: The Rev. Stephanie Wood

We keep a few moments of silence 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.**

The Prayers of the people

A Prayer for the Call Committee

Author: Kristina Melvin

O Christ,
Wisdom before all worlds,
Word through whom all things were made,
walk beside those entrusted with discerning the shepherd for
this beloved flock at St. Peter.

May the breath of Your Holy Spirit move as the gentle wind in,
through and around the cedars, clearing away every fear, every
ambition, and every voice but Yours.

May the ancient and resilient mountains stand as witnesses to
Your steadfastness, reminding us that Your faithfulness
endures through all the storms and shifts - from age to age.

May the rivers teach patience, flowing not by haste but by the quiet certainty of the course You have prepared.

May the forests whisper humility, where each tree grows according to the place You have given it, neither striving nor shrinking from its calling.

May the birds of the air lift songs of praise and hope above uncertainty and may the creatures of field and sea bear silent testimony that all creation rests in Your providence.

May the fire of Your love burn away pride, kindle courage, and illuminate the path hidden from our sight.

May the rich earth, from which You formed us and to which we shall return, grounding those entrusted to choose with wisdom, gentleness, and faithful listening.

As sun and moon keep the sacred rhythms You have ordained, may the hearts of those discerning be ordered by Your peace, not by urgency, not by appearances, but by the quiet voice of the Good Shepherd.

Grant them ears to hear Your call, eyes to recognize the priest whom You have already prepared, and hearts willing to follow wherever You lead.

Bless also the one whom You are calling. Prepare their soul, their family, their ministry, and their journey, even now, though they may not yet know where You are leading them.

May this congregation receive its next shepherd with joy, with grace, and with the hospitality of Christ, that together priest and people may proclaim the Gospel, care for the broken, feed the hungry, seek the lost, and reveal Your Kingdom in this place.

For the whole earth is Yours: the wind and the waters, the forests and fields, the stars and the sea, and every living thing sings of Your glory.

Father, through the Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

The people greet one another in the name of Christ.

Offertory Hymn: SNC 148 As Tender As a Mother Hen

Prayer over the Gifts

God of grace,
accept all we offer you this day,
as we look toward the glory you have promised.
This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Supplementary 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 :

Holy, God, Lover of creation,
we give you thanks and praise
for in the ocean of your steadfast love you bear us
and place the song of your Spirit in our hearts.

When we turn from your love and defile the earth,
you do not abandon us.

Your Spirit speaks through Huldah and Micah,
through prophets, sages, and saints in every age,
to confront our sin
and reveal the vision of your new creation.

Joining in the song of the universe
we proclaim your glory singing:

**All: 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.**

Celebrant:

Gracious God,
in the fullness of time you sent Jesus the Christ to
share our fragile humanity.
Through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection
you open the path from brokenness to health,
from fear to trust, from pride and conceit
to reverence for you.

Rejected by a world
that could not bear the Gospel of life,
Jesus knew death was near.
His head anointed for burial
by an unknown woman,
Jesus gathered together those who loved him.
He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it
and gave it to his friends,
saying, "Take and eat:
this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, Jesus took the cup of wine,
gave you thanks,
and said "Drink this all of you,
this is my blood of the new covenant
which is shed for you and for all.
Whenever you drink it,
do this for the remembrance of me."
And now we gather at this table
in response to his commandment,
to share the bread and cup of Christ's undying love,
and to proclaim our faith.

**All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Celebrant:

Breathe your Holy Spirit,
the wisdom of the universe,
upon these gifts that we bring to you:
this bread, this cup,
ourselves, our souls and bodies,
that we may be signs of your love for all the world
and ministers of your transforming purpose.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory is yours, Creator of all,
and we bless your holy name for ever. **Amen.**

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

**All: 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:

"I am the bread which has come down from heaven,"
says the Lord.

All: Give us this bread for ever.

Celebrant:

"I am the vine; you are the branches."

All: May we dwell in him, as he lives in us.

The Communion:

Celebrant: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God

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 pour your Holy Spirit on us:

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.)

Prayer after Communion:

God of grace,

we have received the memorial

of the death and resurrection of your Son.

May your love, poured into us,

bring us to your promises.

We ask this in the name of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

Glory to God:

Celebrant:

Glory to God

All: whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more

than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: SNC 97 God is Calling Through the Whisper

The Commissioning of the Community:

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 (Note: August 1 coffee hour will be held at 10 am at A&W in the Merecroft mall)
- Prayer Chain meeting Is the first Wednesday of every month at 10:30.
- Council Meeting: every 3rd week of the month. Next meeting is August 18, 2026, 7pm in the Library.
- Midweek Eucharists: all are welcome, please join us:
 - Wednesday- Midweek Eucharist 12:30 pm
 - Thursday - Meditative Eucharist 12:30 pm
- Evening Prayer: Monday evening at 6:30 pm.
- Chat & Chill: Gathering every Wednesday at 10 am the library
- Mindfulness: Every Wednesday in the library (or garden) from 3:30 to 4:15 pm.
- **Prayer Chain Requests:** Prayer Chain Requests? Email the Prayer Chain if you have a prayer request prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com. There is also a box in the Narthex where you may leave a prayer message.

Announcements

- **August 16** (following the church service): Memorial Tea for Frances Payne.  Would you like to help? Contact Lois Tirebuck at 250-202-3989.
- To honor Fran's memory, we are gathering donations to plant a tree on the church grounds. Contributions can be made at the church office.
- **August 23** (following the church service): Farewell Luncheon for Stephanie. This is a potluck lunch. Please sign up to let us know if you will be attending and what you might be able to bring (appetizers, sides, desserts, etc.). Thank you!
- Please note that our Zoom coverage of Sunday services has ceased for the summer. Zoom will resume in mid-August.

- **Parish Picnic – September 13th!**

Coordinator is Pauline Woods. If you'd like to get involved in making this event a success, please let the office or Pauline know!

- **Healing Service:** No Healing Service in July. The next service is on Sunday, August 16 at 4 pm.

NOTE: All holders of the main door keys must sign the 'alarm systems' letter as soon as possible.



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

Parish Staff & 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:
 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 June 30, 2026	Actual	Budget	Budget
	Jan-June	Jan-June	2026
Envelope-General	64,897	72,500	145,000
TOTAL REVENUE	144,916	96,562	193,125
TOTAL EXPENSE	121,721	105,509	211,020
Less value of bequest	-45,000		
NET INCOME	-21,805	-8,947	-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 will resume in mid-August