

CALEDONIA CONNECTOR

Serving Anglicans in Northern BC

Upcoming Diocesan Events

Prayers @ Mid-day

Monday - Saturday ~ 12:15 PT

**St. Andrew's Cathedral
Facebook Page**

Compline

Nightly

**9:00 PT on the Diocesan
Facebook page**

Diocesan Service

Sundays

**10:00 am PT on Facebook,
YouTube, and Vimeo**

Diocesan Synod

September 16 - 19

Prince Rupert

Dry Bones

by Bishop David Lehmann

The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. *Ezekiel 37:1*

Last month, I started my column off with a confession. This month, it's more of a caution. Every three years, the Diocese gathers for a Synod to address the mission and ministry of the diocese. In a few weeks, Synod will be called together in Prince Rupert to do some very dry work for governance.

Within the Anglican Communion, diocese are episcopally lead and synodically governed. The bishop must function within the rules and regulations set out by the synod. Every congregation is established by the diocese. The diocese has canons and policies that govern how it functions. Being members of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon and the Anglican Church of Canada, we minister in accordance to their canons and policies as well. There are specific Provincial and National canons and policies that apply to Caledonia, while others focus on the work of those specific ministries within the wider church. There are no international canons or policies that directly affect the diocese. (In other words, Canterbury has no jurisdiction in Canada.)



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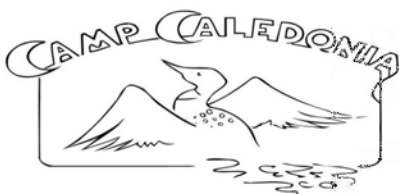
Bishop's Travels

August 2 Prince Rupert
 August 9 Bulkley Valley
 August 10 - 26 Vacation
 August 29 Nass Valley
 August 30 Prince Rupert
 September 6 Prince Rupert
 September 13 Prince Rupert

Camp Caledonia

2027 Camp for All Ages is
 set for July 12 - 16

Families are invited to
 register and come out to
 Camp Cal for a week full of
 faith and fun!



Yes, this is dry but important work. Our canons were established over a century ago and our practices have shifted since then. It only makes sense that our rules and regulations reflect our life than compel us to function in ways that are not realistic or possible.

As the members of Synod gather in Prince Rupert, please pray for them. In addition to governance updates, we will hear from Alongside Hope; elect members to Diocesan Executive, Provincial Synod, and General Synod; and renew our membership in the Council of the North. Motions from members of Synod will be discussed and decided on too. Please pray for our Synod, for the work and safe travels for all.

May we pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by thy Holy Spirit didst preside in the Council of the blessed Apostles, and hast promised, through thy Son Jesus Christ, to be with thy Church to the end of the world: We beseech thee to be present with the the Synod of this Diocese about to be assembled in thy Name. Save its members from all error, ignorance, pride, and prejudice; and of thy great mercy vouchsafe so to direct, govern, and sanctify them in their deliberations by thy Holy Spirit, that through thy blessing the Gospel of Christ may be faithfully preached and obeyed, the order and discipline of thy Church maintained, and the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour enlarged and extended. Grant this, we beseech thee, through the merits and mediation of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
 (BCP)

Almighty and everliving God, source of all wisdom and understanding, be present with those who take counsel in the upcoming Diocesan Synod for the renewal and mission of your Church. Teach us in all things to seek first your honour and glory. Guide us to perceive what is right, and grant us both the courage to pursue it and the grace to accomplish it; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (BAS)

Angelic Choir

What wonderful warmth
Weaves through my bones
Some mystic music
With healing tones

A summer waft
A sunshine snuggle
A hug so deep
Erasing trouble

If only I could bottle this
To keep it fresh
This cleansing balm
This wonderous mesh..

Connecting souls
Correcting ills
Blessing so full
It overflows

The world needs more -
This love strewn hit
To cure pandemic
Deficit

Yet here I rest
Tired eyes closed tight
While restful thoughts
Redeem the blight

A harvest
Doth my soul peruse
An ancient truth
Stills daily news

Join me, do
If you so desire
To find your heart's
Angelic choir

A harmony
That lives within
To quell the worldly
Heartless din

Peaceful corner
Comfy chair
Your favourite spot
I'll meet you there

Poem by Sam Scott

Camp for Everyone!

Summer Camp 2026 - Who is your neighbour?



Over 30 people gathered at Camp Caledonia for our summer programming of Camp for Everyone. Our theme was Who is your neighbour. The Dean led daily reflections, the Lewis family organized crafts, Rev'd Ken got us moving with canoeing and archery, and Evelyn with help from Camilla and others kept us well fed. Traditions of the 7 am Polar Bear Dip were continued as well. Afternoon swims were supervised by Emma - an amazing local lifeguard!



Social Media

Please look for the Diocese on

Facebook @dioCaledonia

Vimeo by searching for the
Diocese of Caledonia or
vimeo.com/user110118524

YouTube Channel - *Diocese of
Caledonia*

Council of the North

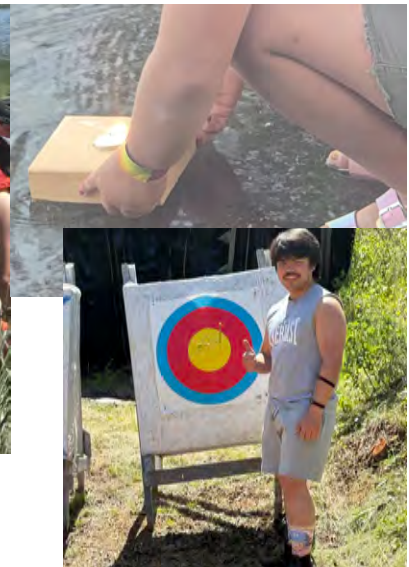
For more information on the
Council of the North, visit
www.anglican.ca

Gospel Based Discipleship

Attached are the Gospel
readings for August. Read the
Gospel three times asking 1.
what words jump out, 2. what
is Jesus saying to me, and 3.
what is Jesus calling me to
do? The Gospel Based
Discipleship book may be
found at www.anglican.ca

New Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Please be watching for a new
Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
coming soon. You will find it
on the diocesan website at
www.caledoniaanglican.ca



Alongside Hope - Mozambique

Babies decide when they're going to be born.

"Before the solar-powered kit was introduced, there were zero night-time births," says Ernanda Júlio Siteo, a maternal and child health nurse at the Natete Health Centre, which received a Solar Suitcase in 2016.

"But many women would turn up at the maternity ward with babies born elsewhere, suffering from postnatal complications." As people hear the clinic has electricity, women are coming to the clinic and the number of night-time births is rising.

Alongside Hope is working to provide light in medical clinics. The Solar Suitcase looks like a bright yellow suitcase, but inside it opens to reveal medical grade lights, a fetal Doppler, cellphone and tablet charging stations, and two headlamps. The suitcase is mounted to the clinic wall and connected to a solar panel on the roof. Each suitcase costs \$6,500, which includes delivery, installation and training.

Shallow wells are a practical and affordable solution that can last decades with proper maintenance.

For more information and to donate, please go to
alongsidehope.org

Gospel Based Discipleship – August 2026

1	Saturday	Matthew 14:1-12	Green
2	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 14:13-21	Green
3	Monday	Matthew 14:13-21	Green
4	Tuesday	Matthew 14:22-36	Green
5	Wednesday	Matthew 15:21-28	Green
6	The Transfiguration of the Lord	Luke 9:28-36	White
7	Friday	Matthew 16:24-28	Green
8	Saturday	Matthew 17:14-20	Green
9	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 14:22-33	Green
	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples		
10	Monday	Matthew 17:22-27	Red
11	Tuesday	Matthew 18:1-5,10,12-14	White
12	Wednesday	Matthew 18:15-20	Green
13	Thursday	Matthew 18:21-19:1	White
14	Friday	Matthew 19:3-12	Green
15	Saint Mary the Virgin	Luke 1:46-55 or Luke 2:1-7	White
16	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 15:(10-20)21-28	Green
17	Monday	Matthew 19:16-22	Green
18	Tuesday	Matthew 19:23-30	Green
19	Wednesday	Matthew 20:1-16a	Green
20	Thursday	Matthew 22:1-14	White
21	Friday	Matthew 22:34-40	Green
22	Saturday	Matthew 23:1-12	Green
23	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 16:13-20	Green
24	Saint Bartholomew the Apostle	Luke 22:24-30	Red
25	Tuesday	Matthew 23:23-26	Green
26	Wednesday	Matthew 23:27-32	Green
27	Thursday	Matthew 24:42-51	Green
28	Friday	Matthew 25:1-13	Green
29	The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist	Mark 6:17-29	Red
30	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Matthew 16:21-28	Green
31	Monday	Luke 4:16-30	Green

ECOJUSTICE PILGRIMAGE AN INVITATION TO PILGRIMS

The third in a series of Pilgrimages sponsored by the Ecclesiastical Province of BC/Yukon in collaboration with the Parish of Kokanee in the Anglican Diocese of Kootenay

From September 14th to 18th 2026 St. Mark's in Kaslo will host a week-long gathering of pilgrims from across the province for prayer and worship, shared meals, fellowship, and exploring our natural spaces and ecosystems through the lens of ecojustice and the stewardship of Creation.

The West Kootenays are a microcosm for our province. In our little corner of the Rockies, we have small representations of many of the ecosystems found in BC, from alpine scree slopes to valley bottom through old growth forests. We have places of exceptional beauty and rarity, but we also face many of the environmental threats found throughout BC and Canada; from waterways affected by hydro-electric infrastructure, to forest fires as well as industrial overextraction.

The cost to participants is \$400.00 including meals and accommodation in Kaslo. Except for emergencies, the registration fee is not refundable. Accommodation type will vary upon circumstance and availability. First come is first served. Participants must sign a waiver at the time registration is confirmed and are responsible to declare any medical or physical conditions that may limit moderate physical activity.

Payment is by cheque to The Anglican Parish of Kokanee, 701 Ward St Nelson, BC V1L 1T3 or by e-transfer to kokaneetreasurer@gmail.com and designate 'Kaslo Pilgrimage'.

Pilgrimage leaders are the Revs. David Burrows and Alecia Greenfield.



Diocese of Kootenay
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With gratitude and respect we acknowledge that we gather on the unceded traditional lands of the Sinixt, Slixt and Ktunaxa Indigenous Peoples.



Celebrating 50 Years

The Priesting of Women in the Anglican Church of Canada



The Anglican Diocese of Islands and Inlets (British Columbia) is excited to invite you to be part of a celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Priesting of Women in the Anglican Church of Canada. Come and join us as we give thanks for the many ways women have contributed to the life of the Church as presbyters and look to the future to examine the challenges that lie ahead for women in the Church and Canadian society.

Dates: 23-26 November 2026 (travel dates inclusive)

Location: Victoria, British Columbia



Check in here for updates on registration, program, bursaries, and other information about the event as it becomes available.

Interested in helping with the event?
Contact The Rev'd Canon Jeannine Friesen at
jfriesen@bc.anglican.ca.

