



ST. PETER

ANGLICAN CHURCH

The Reverend Stephanie Wood

Bishop: The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee

Diocese of Islands and Inlets

August 23, 2026

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost



...And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church,.... MATTHEW 16:13-20

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

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Processional Hymn: Dance with the Spirit (Video)

(Strathdee Music)

Land Acknowledgement

Opening Sentence:

Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. *Matthew 16.16*

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:

Almighty God,
we are taught by your word
that all our doings without love are worth nothing.
Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts
that most excellent gift of love,

the true bond of peace and of all virtue;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for 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	<u>Exodus 1:8-2:10</u>	Barb Henshall
Psalm	Psalm 124	
	Page 884	Sue Vickery
Second Reading	<u>Romans 12:1-8</u>	Barb Henshall

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 16:13-20](#)

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

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: CP 231 That Eastertide with Joy was Bright

Prayer over the Gifts

God of glory,
receive all we offer this day as a symbol of our love,
and increase in us that true and perfect gift.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer 3

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:

Blessed are you, gracious God,
creator of heaven and earth,
because in the mystery of the Word made flesh
you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts,
to give knowledge of salvation
in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Now with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven,
we lift our voices
to proclaim the glory of your name.

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

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in
the highest.**

Celebrant:

We give thanks to you, Lord our God,
for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh,
Jesus your Son.

For in these last days you sent him
to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil,
and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us
out of error into truth,
out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over
to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted,
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."

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

**All: we remember his death,
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;**

Celebrant:

and we offer our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving
to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation,
this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God,
to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament
of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,
that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time,
reconcile all things in Christ,
and make them new,
and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,

the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church,
and the author of our salvation;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and 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.)

Ablutions:

SNC 229 Here is Bread

Prayer after Communion:

Living God,

increase in us the healing power of your love.

Guide and direct us

that we may please you in all things,

for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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: CP 575 Let Streams of Living Justice

The Commissioning of the Community:

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

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

**Postlude: CP 460 Lord the Light of Your Light is Shining
 (Shine, Jesus, Shine)**

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 September 15, 2026, 7pm in the Library.
- **Evening Prayer:** Monday evening at 6:30 pm.
- **Taizé Services** will be held at our church on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm
- **Chat & Chill:** This gathering, normally held every Wednesday at 10 am in the library, will be taking a break. Gatherings will resume on September 2.
- **Mindfulness:** Every Wednesday in the library (or garden) from 3:30 to 4:15 pm.
- **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 23** (following the church service): Farewell Luncheon for Stephanie.
- **September 4 at 2 pm:** Funeral Service for George Wagner followed by a reception in the hall. The service is also on Zoom:

Time: Sep 4, 2026 01:40 PM Vancouver

Join Zoom Meeting (point, control & Click to open link).

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81580471976?pwd=3AqyDHTyN HKhnawBm57ff0IDBhOxUN.1>

MEETING ID: [815 8047 1976](https://us06web.zoom.us/jc/81580471976)

Meeting chat link

<https://us06web.zoom.us/jc/81580471976>

- **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:** The next service is on Sunday, September 20 at 4 pm.
 - **Opportunity!** There is an opening for a sidesperson in our church. If you are interested, please see Pam. Training provided.
 - **Do you have favourite hymns?** Tell the music team...they would love to incorporate your choices into the Sunday services.
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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=OnRp57l8WlFWkI9LeT1Pzn07pjlsi.1>

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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