



The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

BEACON Newsletter – Sept 6, 2026

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Parish Financial Update for January 1-August 31, 2026

Average Weekly Income to Aug 31: \$5,115

Average Weekly Expenses to Aug. 31: \$6,240

Average Weekly Shortfall: **\$1,125**



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10 AM (BAS) service only on Sunday, September 6

Our 10 AM service on Sunday is livestreamed

Use this link to watch the service LIVE:

<https://www.stpeterduncan.ca/sermons/current-service>



If you need of a ride, home communion, or a pastoral visit, please contact Jennifer Perry at (250) 732-4518.

If you would like to speak directly with Reverend Theo, please call (204) 782-9454 and leave a message.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

No 8:00 AM service on September 6 and 27

10:00 AM services only on these two days

Vera Martin Memorial Food Drive

Ongoing until September 27

Choir practice resumes

Tuesday, September 8 at 5:30 PM

Bible Study with Deborah Neal

Tuesday, September 8 at 7:00 PM

Budget Review Meeting

Sunday, September 13 at 11:00 AM

St. Peter's Presents: The Doctrine of Discovery

Sunday, September 20 at 11:30 AM

See page 3 for more information...

Truth and Reconciliation Sunday

Orange Shirt Sunday

Sunday, September 27

Youth/Young Adult Service

Sunday, September 27 at 7:00 PM

The Truth About Cowichan with Bishop Anna

Wednesday, September 30 from 1:30-3:00 PM

See page 3 for more information...

No 8:00 AM service on October 4 and 25

10:00 AM services only on these two days

Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 4 at 10:00 AM service

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Exodus 12:1-14

Psalms: 149 (BAS p. 908)

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-14

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

NO 8:00 AM SERVICES

There will be no 8:00 AM services on the following days: September 6 and 27, October 4 and 25. There will only be one service on these Sundays at 10:00 AM. Mark your calendars!

VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE



This week, we are looking for these donations: proteins, such as canned tuna, salmon, chicken, beans, lentils, chickpeas, peanut and other nut butters, and nuts (sealed packages). See the back page of the Beacon for each week's suggested donations.

Rector's Message



WHAT IS FULL COMMUNION? PART 2

Following up on last week's message about our full communion relationship with the Lutheran church, I wanted to draw your attention to the fact that we are also in full communion with the Moravian Church in North America. This Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian relationship was fully declared and inaugurated in 2023. You can read the agreement here: <https://www.anglicanlutheran.ca/wp-content/uploads/Lutheran-Anglican-Moravian-LAM-Declaration.pdf>.

The Moravian Church has been around for 500 years. Their statement of belief is that they recognize the example of Christ's life and proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord. For the Moravians, living the Christian life depends not only on their own effort, but upon God, who in Jesus Christ accepts them as heirs of God and strengthens and sustains them.

From their website:

"For over five centuries the Moravian Church has proclaimed the gospel in all parts of the world. Its influence has far exceeded its numbers as it has cooperated with Christians on every continent and has been a visible part of the Body of Christ, the Church. ... The name Moravian identifies the fact that this historic church had its origin in ancient Bohemia and Moravia in what is the present-day Czech Republic. In the mid-ninth century these countries converted to Christianity chiefly through the influence of two Greek Orthodox missionaries, Cyril and Methodius. They translated the Bible into the common language and introduced a national church ritual. In the centuries that followed, Bohemia and Moravia gradually fell under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of Rome, but some of the Czech people protested. ... By 1467 the Moravian Church had established its own ministry"

You can read more about the Moravian Church here: <https://www.moravian.org/2018/07/a-brief-history-of-the-moravian-church/>.

As with the Lutherans, by acknowledging this relationship, St Peter's has access to Moravian music and liturgies. However, I am not as familiar with this denomination so, for now, you won't see much of it from me. However, I hope this helps explain a little why they are included in our weekly prayers.

To close out the discussion on full communion relationships, it might be of interest to you that talks are occurring with the United Church and the Roman Catholic Church. What the worldwide church is coming to realize is that we are all one body in Christ and we shouldn't let our small differences in doctrine and liturgy keep us from worshipping together and in each other's houses.

Blessings,
The Reverend Theo Robinson



IMPORTANT SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: Sept 13, during coffee hour after the 10 AM service.

Reason: a review and update of the budget passed at the February Annual Meeting of Parishioners.

It is vitally important for you to attend this meeting as the future of St. Peter, Quamichan requires the support of all of us. Your input will determine how this 160-year-old church can continue its faith journey in the Cowichan Valley. If you have never attended any AMP or any Special General Meeting, then make this one meeting the one you do attend.

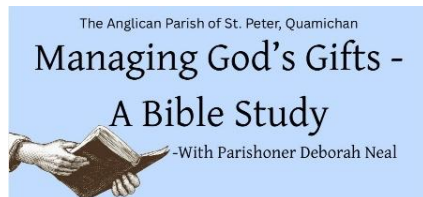
We are a very active Parish blessed to have so many who support our ministries financially, with countless volunteer hours and in so many other ways. All that you give and do is appreciated. Last week's Beacon provided an update of our average weekly operating position which shows a shortfall of \$1,125. This week we are providing charts that show our congregation giving pattern for 2026. Next week, the Beacon will have more information for you to consider. Each week paper copies will be available for you in the church or the hall.

We ask you to prayerfully consider all this information and make time to attend September 13th.

BIBLE STUDY WITH DEBORAH NEAL

This 4-week Bible Study lead by parishioner, Deborah Neal begins **Tuesday, September 8 at 7 pm** in the lower lounge

and will continue every Tuesday at 7 pm until September 29. There is no obligation to attend all four evenings. Space is limited. There is a signup sheet in the hall. The first topic on September 8 will be *Managing God's Gift of the World*: How do we use the resources of our earth to the Glory of God? How do we protect Creation from exploitation and abuse?



THE TRUTH ABOUT COWICHAN



All are invited to join Bishop Anna at St. Peter's on September 30, National Day of Truth and Reconciliation,

for an overview of the colonial history of the Cowichan Valley. The presentation and discussion will take place in the parish hall from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. This event is open to all in the Diocese and general public. To help us plan for this event, we ask that you register in advance at <https://tinyurl.com/truthaboutcowichan>

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St. Peter's Presents... The Doctrine of Discovery

with The Reverend Theo Robinson

Doctrine of Discovery: Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts is a feature-length film that explores the lasting impact of the Doctrine of Discovery, a set of fifteenth-century papal rulings that declared lands outside Europe to be "empty" and Indigenous Peoples to be less than fully human. These ideas shaped the legal and moral framework of colonization and continue to influence laws, policies and relationships in Canada today.

September 20, 2026 @
11:30am in the Hall
Lunch will be provided



ST. PETER'S PRESENTS: THE DOCTRINE OF DISCOVERY

The next in our Christian education series is on September 20 at 11:30 AM. Join us for lunch and "The Doctrine of Discovery" with the Rev. Theo Robinson.

CHOIR PRACTICE RESUMES

Sing a new song unto the Lord
Let your song be sung from mountains high
Sing a new song unto the Lord
Singing alleluia

What better way to praise our Lord than through song? Choir practices resume on Tuesday, September 8 at 5:30 PM in the church and then every Tuesday at 5:30 PM. Returning singers, new singers, everyone is welcome!



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YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT SERVICE

Ages 13 - 30, however
everyone is welcome!

Come worship together, meet other youth and young adults from across the region, and stay for social time and goodies after. Everyone is welcome.

Sunday, 27 September
2026

5800 Church Rd Duncan BC
V9L 5M8 @ 7pm

For more information
contact
youth@stpeterduncan.ca



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the week of SEPTEMBER 6:

Members of our congregation: Tricia, Norah, John, Suzanne, Mary, Ann, Bonnie Jean, Pat, Vickie, Mark, Jane, Jim, Cory, Jason, Connie, Gordon, Doreen, Hazel, Brandon, Bill

Anglican Cycle:

- Shane, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Trinity Anglican+ Lutheran, Port Alberni
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- The Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria

Government Leaders: Charles, our King, Mark, our Prime Minister, David our Premier, Cindy, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Michelle our mayors.

Birthday Blessings this week: Theo Robinson, Peter Auvinen

Parish Families: Rev. David & Mily Peterson, Allison & Chris Pierce, Rev. William & Mary Pike

Flowers this week: The flowers on the reredos are given to the glory of God by Chris Easly with thanksgiving for family.



THE VERA MARTIN MEMORIAL FOOD DRIVE

Aug. 23: Start the day right!

Cereal, oatmeal, pancake mix, syrup, jam, peanut butter, tea, coffee, hot chocolate

Aug. 30: Pasta for the pantry.

Pasta, pasta sauce, canned tomatoes, rice, macaroni and cheese, parmesan cheese (shelf-stable), olive oil

Sept. 6: Protein helps families thrive.

Canned tuna, salmon, chicken, beans, lentils, chickpeas, peanut butter, nuts (sealed)

Sept. 13: Warm meals for cooler days.

Canned soup, crackers, canned chili, canned stew, peanut butter, jam

Sept. 20: Healthy choices make a difference.

Canned vegetables, canned fruit, applesauce, whole grain rice, quinoa, dried fruit

Sept. 27: Every donation counts! Bring your pantry favourites.

Baby food, school snacks, granola bars, fruit cups, pudding cups, cookies, muffin mix, any non-perishable food items