

The Anglican Parish of St. Peter, Quamichan

BEACON Newsletter – Nov. 15, 2026

25th Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 33)

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Parish Financial Update from January 1 - October 20, 2026

Average Weekly Income to Oct. 20: $5,360
Average Weekly Expenses to Oct. 20: $5,673
Difference: $(313)

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Sunday at 8 AM (BCP) and 10 AM (BAS)
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 are in 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

Mend Book Study
Tuesday November 17 at 1:30 PM
Lower Lounge

St. Peter's Presents: The Liturgical Calendar Explained
Sunday, November 15 at 11:30 AM
Bring a bagged lunch

Transgender Day of Remembrance Service
Thursday, November 19 at 7:00 PM

Eat, Shop & Be Merry
Saturday, November 28 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Youth and Young Adult Service
Sunday, November 29 at 7:00 PM

Board Game Night
Monday, November 30 at 6:30 PM

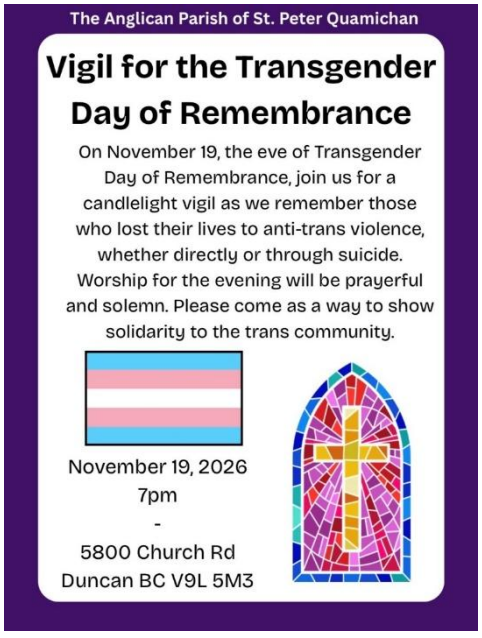
Advent Bible Study
December 1-21, 1:30 PM and 7:00 PM

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Judges 4:1-7
Psalm: 123 (BAS p. 883)
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

The Transgender Day of Remembrance service will be livestreamed for those who cannot attend in person.
https://vimeo.com/event/5219314/d4044d8b5d



Rector's Message

As we come to the end of our liturgical year, preparations for the seasons of Advent and Christmas have begun. As with the secular New Year, this becomes of time of reflecting back on the last 12 months – the changes, the dreaming, the planning, the special events, the deaths – and soak in all the feelings and emotions that we have experienced – joy, sorrow, renewed energy, worry, excitement, and everything in between. It has been a year of hills and valleys, but we have made it through together.

Advent will be a time for us to hold all of that in our hearts as I invite you to watch for God's saving work, join in acts of courage and compassion, and hold fast to the hope that suffering is not the final word. In the Season of Advent, we wait for the Messiah who will save us. And on this path toward Christmas, a thrill of hope creeps over the weary world. We look for signs of God's kingdom, we expect Christ to meet us where we are, and we give space for the Holy Spirit in every aspect of our lives.

The miracle of Immanuel, God with us, did not end in Bethlehem. The thrill of hope persists.

Term of the Week

Incumbent/Rector/Priest-in-Charge

These three titles, all held by ordained priests, are somewhat interchangeable. They are all leaders of a particular parish, congregation, or groups thereof. A priest-in-charge is appointed directly by a bishop, usually because a parish is in need of a priest quickly, in need of interim ministry while going through the hiring process, or if the parish is in need of specific parish care. An incumbent or rector is chosen through a search process that includes reviewing of applicants, interviews, visits from potential candidates, and then a conversation between the search committee and the bishop.

Blessings,
Reverend Theo



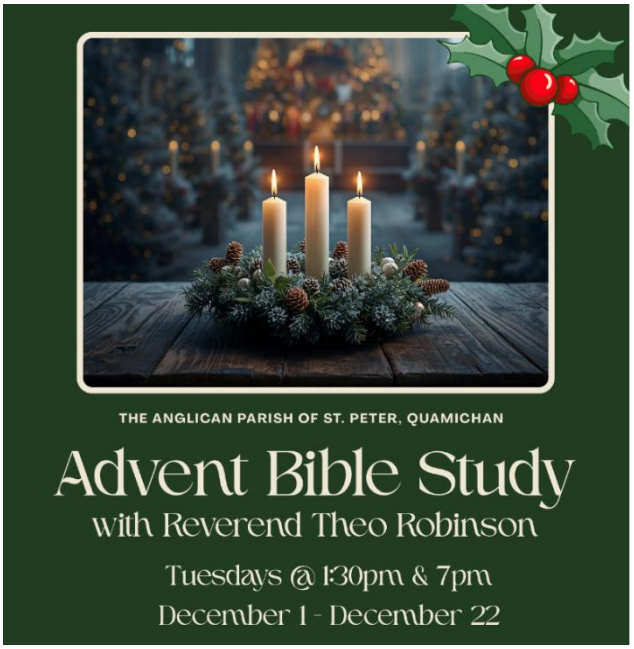
RINGING OF THE BELLS

Dear parishioners,

Some changes are coming to how we worship together on Sunday mornings! This Advent season, on November 29th, you will hear the ringing of bells during the Eucharistic prayer. Traditionally, bells have been used in churches to centre ourselves and draw our attention nearer to Christ.

As a progressive parish, we always strive to be more inclusive and accessible to everyone. For parishioners who are blind or visually impaired, bells serve as an audible cue for the gestures of the liturgy, such as the elevation of the host or the calling of the Holy Spirit upon the gifts. As we move forward together, when you hear the bells, allow your attention to be drawn into the moment and remember that audible cues, such as bells, allow all of us, as one body, to participate in the mystery and wonder of the Eucharist.





ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

Liturgical Year B focuses on the Gospel of Mark, the first of the Gospels to be written. The Gospel of Mark draws us into the unfolding drama of Jesus' death and resurrection. Join Rev. Theo in a journey of the Gospel that begins, "The beginning of the Good News of Jesus Christ, the Son of God". This Bible study will run for 4 weeks beginning December 1 until 22 at 7:00 PM in the lower lounge. Sign-up sheet is in the hall.

EAT, SHOP, AND BE MERRY



Our Christmas Fair is successful because of the wonderful help you give before, during and after the event. Thank you to all bakers who made or have yet to make cookies and cakes. Thank you to all who are donating gift and craft items to sell. Gift food items such as jams, jellies, chutneys, relishes, as well as gluten-free items are very popular. If you are donating crafts, preserves or gluten free items, please price your donations before you drop them off.

Please don't forget to sign up to help set up and decorate, sell at the craft and baked sweets tables. Help is also needed to work at the pay station and then once the event is over there's always clean up. There is a line on the signup sheet waiting for your name.
A very tasty brunch will be served from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Our chefs have created a new menu for this Christmas event. Brunch will be a buffet style service with volunteers to help you with your brunch choices. Cost for adults is $25 and $15 for children.

Our Sweet Shoppe is once again selling cookies for $12 a dozen. A volunteer will pack the shoppers' choices in a box.

The Sweet Shoppe is also featuring Christmas cakes and they are available for $20 each. The cakes are a light fruit cake and are delicious.

All cookies for the sale must be delivered no later than November 26 and can be stored in the hall lower-level kitchen. Please make sure cookie tins are labeled with the cookie name.

November 28 is coming fast. Help, Eat, Shop and Be Merry.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SALE

Christmas cards are now available. Celebrate the hope of Christmas with two new watercolour designs: "O Night Divine" (a caribou under the Northern Lights) and "Our Dear Saviour's Birth" (Joseph and Mary with the infant King). Cards come in packs of 12 — a minimum donation of $25 per pack is recommended (tax receipt eligible). Orders can be placed online at https://alongsidehope.org/Christmascards2026/, by contacting Anslim Hameed at (416) 822-9083 or ahameed@alongsidehope.org

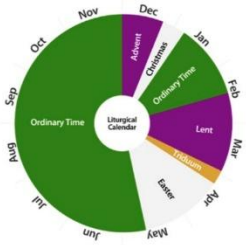
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St. Peter's Presents... The Liturgical Cycle Explained

with The Reverend Theo Robinson

Ever wondered what all the colours in the worship space mean? Or why our celebrations are arranged the way that they are? Come learn about how the church calendar organizes life around the saving acts of God in Jesus Christ.

November 15, 2026 @ 11:30am in the Hall
Please bring a paper bag lunch!



The Cowichan Food Basket Society appreciated our generous donations during the Vera Martin Memorial Food Drive. Let's keep it up!!

This week, please bring
Tea bags (pkgs of 20), Coffee (16 oz), Flour (32 oz) and Sugar (24 oz)



Hunger takes no holidays!



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the week of NOVEMBER 15:

Members of our congregation: Norah, Bonnie Jean, Pat

Anglican Cycle:

- Shane, Primate, Anglican Church of Canada
- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- St. Columba, Port Hardy + St. John, Port Alice
- St. Peter's Clergy and Lay Assistants
- Iglesia Anglicana de Chile

Government Leaders: Charles, our King, Mark, our Prime Minister, Lorne, our Premier-elect, Cindy, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Rob and Mike, our mayors.

Birthday Blessings this week: Bill Anderson, Raquel Luxmoore, Allison Pierce, Mitch Kidd, Stefan Sharpe

Parish Families: Dick Macintosh, Julie Morris, Heather Roderick

Flowers this week: The flowers on the reredos are given to the glory of God by Adele MacLeod in loving memory of Scott, Evie and David, Matteo.



ENCORE! WOMEN'S CHOIR

Encore ! Women's Choir presents two Christmas concerts on Saturday, December 12th and Sunday, December 13th both at 2:00 PM. Tickets for December 12th at Duncan United Church can be purchased from Pastor Liz, Volume One Bookstore or at the door. We are pleased to be special guests at the historic Fairbridge Chapel on Dec. 13th. Admission is by donation.



YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT SERVICE

The next Youth and Young Adult service is on November 29 at 7:00 PM. This service is geared towards those ages 13-30, but everyone is welcome.

