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Bishop

The Right Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee Diocese of Islands and Inlets February 23, 2025

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany—Freedom Sunday



It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Galations 5.1a

The parish of St Peter Anglican Church and St Saviour 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 Klahoose First Nation; 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.

February 23, 2025—Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

CP=Common Praise Hymn book SNC=Sing a New Creation Hymn book

Processional Hymn: CP# 497 Eternal Ruler of the Ceaseless Round

Welcome

Land Acknowledgement

Sentence:

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another as I have loved you. *John 13.34*

The Grace

- Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- People: And also with you.

Gloria: On Screen

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant: Dear friends in Christ, God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy; God welcomes sinners and invites them to this table. Let us confess our sins, Confident in God's forgiveness.

Silence is kept.

Celebrant: Most merciful God,

All: We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

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.

Silence is kept.

Collect of the Day:

Almighty God, your Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving love. Renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Proclamation of the Word

Let us listen for the Word of God in Holy Scripture.

First Reading	<u>Genesis 45:3-11, 15</u>	Jennifer Coolen
Psalm	Psalm 37: 1-12, 41-42	
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Second Reading	1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-5	<u>0</u>

Jennifer Coolen

Gospel Acclamation: on screen

Gospel <u>Luke 6: 27-38</u>

Celebrant: God is with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Celebrant: The Gospel of Christ.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Alleluia, alleluia (sung)

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.

Prayers of the People

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of Christ be with you. All: And also with you.

Installation of Parish Council Members

Priest:

Dear friends in Christ, in parishes of the Anglican Church of Canada, certain members are chosen each year to share with the bishops, priests, and deacons in the spiritual care, nurture, and government of the Church. All effective service in the Church must be in the spirit of Him who came not to be served but to serve. I therefore ask you, who have been chosen for this ministry, will you carry out your responsibilities in cooperation with the rector and other members of the Parish Council, for the building up of the Body of Christ in this place?

Council Members: I will, with God's help.

Priest:

Will you at all times, to the best of your ability, set before you the unity and peace of this parish, striving to be an example of humility, sincerity of life, and Christian Service.

Council Members: I will, with God's help.

Priest:

Will you, with the rector and parish council, lead this congregation in discovering ways to care for the needs of the world around us, assisting us to proclaim to all by witness and service, the good news of Jesus Christ?

Council Members: I will, with God's help.

Priest:

Will you, the members and friends of St. Peter's Church, support and encourage your wardens and Council Members in their ministry, with your participation in the worship and programs of this parish, your regular offerings to the Lord, and your faithful prayers? *Congregation:* We will, with God's help.

Priest:

May Almighty God strengthen you by the Holy Spirit that you may be able to carry out the promises which you have made today.

Parish Council: Living Lord, we thank you for the privilege of being called to your service in the fellowship of your Church. Grant us the gifts we need to fulfil your mission, and the courage to offer those gifts. Strengthen our commitment to you as our Saviour and King, and draw us closer to one another as we draw closer to you, for the glory of your Holy Name. Amen.

Priest:

I now install you, wardens and members of parish council, servants of Christ and of this congregation, in the name of the God the Holy One of Israel, Jesus Christ the Son of God, and Holy Spirit who empowers us.

(The Council members turn to face the congregation)

Congregation:

We welcome you with joy as Church Wardens and members of Parish Council, and we recognize you during your term of office as leaders and servants in the life and mission of this congregation. We promise our support for you and for our parish in the projects and programs in which you lead us. May the Lord bless you in this ministry, and grant you faithfulness and strength in serving Him.

Psalm 134 (said together):

Behold now, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that stand by night in the house of the Lord.Lift up your hands in the holy place and bless the lord; the Lord who made heaven and earth bless you out of Zion.

Offertory Hymn: CP# 504 Jesu, Jesu

Celebrant: Thanks be to you,

All: Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given us, and all that you have borne for us. In our sharing in this Eucharist, in Church or at home, we ask you to come spiritually into our hearts. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen. St. John The Divine Anglican Church, Victoria B.C., Alastair Singh- McCollum

Let us pray.

Prayer over the Gifts

Merciful God, accept all we offer you this day. Lead us to love you with all our heart, and to love all people with your perfect love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

Eucharistic Prayer 1 (S1)

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.
- All: 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 he 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,

- 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.**

All: Amen.

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,

The Lord's Prayer

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: We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
- All: God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

(Communion: Music team immediately communicated after blessing of the elements)

Lamb of God—Epiphany Sentence on Screen

Distribution Hymns:

SNC# 137 Called to Faith SNC# 124 In the Lord I'll be Ever thankful SNC# 163 We Sing a Love that Sets all People Free

Ablutions: SNC# 100 Listen God Is Calling

Prayer after Communion:

Gracious God, in the eucharist we celebrate your love for us and for all people. Grant that strengthened by these holy gifts, we may show your love in our lives, and know its fulfilment in your presence. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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, Forever and ever. Amen.

Blessing

Announcements

Recessional Hymn: CP# 306 O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Dismissal

Liturgical Assistant:

"We are the people inspired by God and the example of Jesus to go into our community offering love and acceptance to all." Go in peace to love and serve our living God.

All: Thanks be to God

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: <u>812 0587 4273</u>
- **Prayer Chain** meeting Is the first Wednesday of every month at 10:30.
- **Council Meeting:** every 3rd week of the month. Next meeting is March 18, 2025, 7pm in the Library.
- Midweek Eucharists: all are welcome, please join us: Wednesday—Midweek Eucharist 12:30 Thursday – Meditative Eucharist 12:30
- ACW Gathering Every Friday 10 am in the library
- Mindfulness Group: Every Wednesday in the library at 3:30.

Announcements

- If you have an announcement for the bulletin, email or phone the church office.
- Prayer **Chain Requests?** Email the Prayer Chain if you have a prayer request <u>prayerchain@stpeterscampbellriver.com</u>. There is also box in the Narthex where you may leave a prayer message. Prayers will be offered for one month, if you wish longer, please contact the Prayer Chain.
- Parish Appreciation Lunch: Sunday, February 23 following church. Sandwiches, fruit & vegies. Birthday cake for dessert. No sign up, just come and be appreciated!
- March 4th at 5 p.m.—Shrove Pancake Dinner. Council members will be cooking and serving.



ACW Turkey Pie Sale. Orders & pre-pay, Feb
 16, 23. Pick up after church March 2. \$7.00 small \$15.00 large.

Reminder to Return Palm Crosses: Palm branches from last year may be collected on the Last Sunday after Epiphany in preparation for making the ashes to be used on Ash Wednesday. **Palms should be returned next Sunday, March 2.**



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)

> https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81674662027? pwd=OnRp57l8WIFWkI9LeT1Pzn07pjiIsi.1

> > MEETING ID: 816 7466 2027

NOTE FROM THE OFFICE:

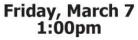
Several people have mentioned that they are no longer receiving our weekly emails. The problem may be that they have Shaw email addresses. Shaw may have set up firewalls to prevent emails that are from Office 365. Please check this from your home computer/laptop as the office cannot provide technical support for this issue.



World Day of Prayer 2025

Please join us for World Day of Prayer, a prayer movement that invites us to enrich our faith experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. The service was written by the World Day of Prayer

Committee of Cook Islands.



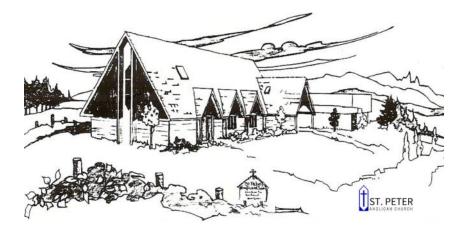
St. Patrick's Catholic Church 34 South Alder Street

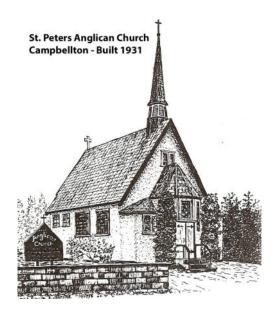
The World Day of Prayer is coordinated by the Women's Inter-church Council of Canada 47 Queens Park Crescent East, Toronto, ON M55 2C3 E-mail: wicc@wicc.org Website: www.wicc.org



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Budget to January 31, 2025	Actual	Budget	Budget
	Jan-Jan	Jan-25	2025
Envelope - General	12,420.00	12,500.00	150,000
TOTAL REVENUE	13,967.90	16,065.12	192,582
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$15,463.41	17,850.11	214,253
NET INCOME	-1,495.51	-1,784.99	-21,671





WELCOME!

Parish Staff and Leaders

Rector's Warden: Tony Smith People's Warden: Pauline Woods **Deputy Warden: Lois Tirebuck Deputy Warden: Rick Monchak** Member at Large: Zenon Garnett **Treasurer: Holly Finn** Church Administrator/Communications: Trina Soltys Musicians: Georgia Smith, Kate Fitzsimmons, Lori Gooldrup Custodian: Janice Kozak Prayer Chain: Sue Vickery **Envelope Secretary: Frank Maga** Healing Prayer Ministry: Sue Vickery Lay Assistants and Readers: Pauline Woods Mindfulness: Jane Jennings Coffee Monday: Jennifer Coolen Librarian: Jane Jennings Safe Church: Andrea Charlton **PWRDF Rep: Barb Henshall Building: George Wagner** ACW: Frances Payne

<u>WAYS TO GIVE AT ST. PETER</u>		
• 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 <u>stpeterscampbellriver.com</u> . Or use the QR code		
	ALL IDENTIFIABLE FINANCIAL GIFTS ARE RECEIPTED	
	ANNUALLY BY THE END OF FEBRUARY FOR THE	
	PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR.	