



ST. PETER, QUAMICHAN ANGLICAN CHURCH

The BEACON Newsletter for February 21, 2021

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THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

From Rev. MJ The Alleluias have been safely "put away" and Lent is with us. I wish to offer a sincere and heartfelt thank you to ALL who developed, packed and delivered "Lent in a Bag" to 70+ households. If you have not received a bag and would like one, please call the office and we'll deliver. Our team leader was Seminarian, Kirsten Evenden. The team included Jane Hird-Rutter, Carol Coleman, Chris Easley, Keith Leewis, Monica Gurzinski, Sheila Sanders, and Alan Gurzinski. For these and all thy many blessings, we give our most humble hearty thanks. **See back page for some shared photos and comments.**

PARISH OFFICE Update

Our Parish Administrator will be away the week of February 23-26; however, the office will be open as Rev. MJ will be here. **To be on the safe side, call ahead first.** Phone messages and emails will be monitored and responded to and items can be dropped off in the mail slot at the bottom of the stairs leading to the office.

WORSHIP on Sunday February 28

Worship on Sunday February 28, will take place in the context of the AMP. We will offer the brief service of **Prayers at Mid-day** (BAS, pg. 56). **It will all take place on Zoom beginning at 10:30 a.m.**

Information regarding the AMP

There are **3 additional documents** that you will need for the AMP on Sunday February 28: the Agenda (revised on February 19th), Instructions for Using Zoom, and a Proxy Form (if you're unable to participate in the AMP). The revised agenda will be included in today's email. These forms are also on our website under the NEWS heading.

➔ **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING PROXY BALLOTS** – Leadership apologizes for not including this information when the proxy ballots were initially sent out on February 12. ***If you assign your proxy to another parishioner, the proxy ballot must be dropped off or emailed to the parish office by Thursday February 25th. The ballots need to be in the office prior to the meeting to be counted.***

Call for Nominations for PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS and WARDEN

If you, or if you know of someone who would be willing to be nominated for a position on Parish Council or as a Warden, please contact Trish Peebles by email trishgpeebles@shaw.ca or call 250-701-3172.

Mother's Day Flower Basket FUNDRAISER



There is no better way to say "I love you" on Mother's Day than to show up with a beautiful 10 or 12" hanging basket. Or you can buy a couple of pots to enjoy on your patio or at your front entrance. There are mixed sun and shade pots as well as strawberry pots. Order forms can be printed off from our website or picked up from the church office. **Order forms and payment must be submitted by March 9, 2021 and pick up and/or delivery will be ready on May 8.**

PARISHIONER RESPONSES to "Lent in a Bag"



Lois Herda sent this photo of her "cross" pancake

The Lenten Bags were received with much anticipation and joy from our parishioners. Here are a few excerpts from the messages received:

From Midge Adams, "So much creative thought and hard work had gone into them and to the deliverers - Alan delivered ours! It's so nice to see "church people", even in passing!"

From Liz Williams "So impressed with the bag of 'church' delivered to our door by the lovely Rev MJ! This is the most wonderful, timely and authentic gift of Jesus' love. Thanks so much to all who created this exceptional Lenten journey for us. Even when the people can't be in the church, Jesus is in our homes with us!"

Photo of pancakes smothered with fruit and cream. Photo of Lenten Bag.

From Ann Bray: "Thank you so much for the Lenten bag. The pancakes were delicious. The pretzel mixture is nice but it was a challenge to make the pretzels.... I will enjoy following the Lenten readings. Thank you to everyone who put the bags together & those who delivered them."

Bev Mountain's daughter writes: "Mom wanted me to send these photos of her enjoying making pretzels from your gift bag. Having lunch with her homemade soup. Thank you for your kindness towards her."

Photo of Bev with pan of pretzels.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE for the Week of February 21:

Members of our Congregation: Peggy, George, Rocke, Sandee, Jennifer, Vera, Vital, Teresa, Frank, Pearl, Brian, Connie, Brandon and Connie.

Anglican Cycle:

- Anna, Bishop, Diocese of BC
- Mark, National Anglican Indigenous Archbishop
- Lynne, Bishop, Diocese of Kootenay
- The community of St. George at Kingcome Inlet, Wakeman, Hopetown, & Gilford Island
- The Church of the Province of Central Africa
- MJ, Chris, Jim and Norah, our Clergy, Kirsten, our Seminarian

Government Leaders: Justin, our Prime Minister, John our Premier, Dr. Bonnie Henry, William, Chief of the Cowichan Tribes, and Al and Michelle our Mayors.

Parish Families: Adele, Val, June

Birthday Blessings this week: Alison Wilcock (February 23), Meghan Smith (February 23), Terry McHardy (February 25), Mary Ann McAdam (February 27).