

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS for January 8 - 14

<b>Monday Jan 8</b>	Office CLOSED Quilters meet 9 to 1 p.m.	<b>Thurs Jan 11 con't</b>	Holy Eucharist Service at 10 a.m. in the Church followed by fellowship in the Lounge <b>Altar Guild AGM at 11 a.m. in the Church</b> Choir Practice at 7 p.m. in the Church
<b>Tuesday Jan 9</b>	Office open 9 to 1 p.m. Spinners and Weavers at 9:45 in the Hall Bible Study meets at NOON in Room A <b>Games Night at 6 p.m. in the Lower Hall</b>	<b>Friday Jan 12</b>	Office open 9 to 1 p.m.. <b>Hunger for Healing at 10 a.m. in the Lounge</b> Messy Church set up in the afternoon
<b>Wed Jan 10</b>	Office open 9 to 1 p.m.	<b>Saturday Jan 13</b>	Messy Church at 3:30 in the Hall
<b>Thurs Jan 11</b>	Office open 9 to 1 p.m. Yoga at 9:15 a.m. in the Hall Lace Club meets at 10 a.m. in Room A	<b>Sunday Jan 14</b>	Holy Communion Service at 8 a.m. in the Church Holy Eucharist Service at 10 a.m. in the Church



**From Reverend MJ** - A change for the short season of Epiphany! Many Christian denominations affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed (325 CE), The Apostles Creed (390 CE) and even the very long Creed of St. Athanasius (1642 CE) all 4 pages of it! (beginning on pg. 695 of the BCP), each a statement of our beliefs, and affirmation of our belief in a Trinitarian God. It is appropriate at some point in the church year to affirm our faith with each of these. A couple of years ago, I came across a newer (1968) affirmation of faith used in the United Church of Canada. It is a New Creed and found to be a brief and well-loved affirmation of faith used widely in the UCC and other churches. I am not proposing that this become our default affirmation of faith, rather, that we take the time during Epiphany to pay close attention to the words we use to affirm our faith, not so much by rote, but reading and reflecting as we affirm our faith in the Trinitarian God, the love of God and the relationship that we have with the Trinity. As always, I invite your observations and reflections. Further I encourage you to use this creed as a prayer tool.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** for the **ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS** on Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> following the ONE service at 9 a.m. Team Leaders need to email their reports to Monica no later than Tuesday January 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The **AGM for THE ALTAR GUILD** will be held **this** Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Church.

**From Reverend MJ** - I am pleased to announce that **HEATHER CUTTEN** has accepted Bishop Logan's appointment of her as **DEACON AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, DUNCAN, AND ST. PETER**, Quamichan, effective January 7<sup>th</sup>. On Sundays, Heather will serve at one or the other of our churches. Her primary diaconal focus will be community ministry representing the Anglican presence in our community. She will continue her ministry of maintaining and strengthening relationships with the First Nation communities in the Cowichan Valley. Norah Fisher will continue her ministry here at St. Peter, Quamichan and her ministry focus is outreach.



The **NEXT MESSY CHURCH** is on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 p.m. in the Hall. Please join us for another fun time with crafts, songs, a celebration and a wonderful dinner. Our theme in January is the **Story of Ruth**. Ruth is one of the few women who has her own book in the Bible. We have some great crafts so please join us.

The **DAY BY DAY BOOKS** for February/March/April have arrived. The books can be found on the Credenza in the Church or on the table outside the office. Please put the \$2 in the jar provided or pay Monica directly.



**YOUTH!** Come one, come all to a youth evening of fellowship and fun. If you are between the ages of 12 and 17, you are invited to James Street Billiards from 7 to 9 p.m. on Friday January 19<sup>th</sup> for fun and discussion about the youth at St. Peter's. Guests are welcome and it's Free! Food and drink included. For more information please contact Mark Oldnall by phone or text 250-710-8900 or email moldnall@gmail.com or the Church office. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Share **AN HOUR OF OUTREACH AND FELLOWSHIP** with our community's frail elderly at Sunridge Place on Saturday January 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 p.m. Meet at the Bundock Ave entrance at 1:50 p.m.



The **NEXT PARISH OUTREACH BREAKFAST** will be on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 a.m. Our guest speaker is wildlife biologist Genevieve Singleton and she will speak about the "Return of the Western Bluebird to the Cowichan Valley". Once again, it is imperative that we know approximately how many will attend the breakfast (so that Geoff can purchase supplies). A sign-up sheet will be provided in the church hall, or simply contact Geoff Strong directly no later than Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> by phone 250-710-8011, or email [geoff.strong@shaw.ca](mailto:geoff.strong@shaw.ca).

The **COWICHAN CONSORT ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR** invites you to join them on Wednesday evenings (starting January 10<sup>th</sup>) from 7 to 9 p.m. at Sylvan United Church in Mill Bay. They are preparing for the Spring concert on May 5<sup>th</sup> featuring the beautiful sacred work Verdi Requiem. *We are really hoping for a large choir and will have a large orchestra for this event as well.* Car pooling available. For more information, please email Joy Ann Bannerman ([perfectpitch@shaw.ca](mailto:perfectpitch@shaw.ca))



**KUDOS KORNER** During Advent we used ONE Service Booklet for Liturgy. As we journeyed through Advent week by week, an additional candle on the front page was illuminated. God, thank you for the care, patience and time that Chris Easley took each week to hand paint the candles representing Hope, Love, Joy, and Peace.

Serving on Sunday January 7, 2018			Serving on Sunday January 14, 2018		
<b>Rector:</b>	Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk		<b>Rector:</b>	Rev. MJ Leewis-Kirk	
<b>Sacristan:</b>	Kathy York		<b>Sacristan:</b>	Kathy York	
	<b>8 a.m.</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>		<b>8 a.m.</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>
<b>Deacon:</b>		Rev. Norah Fisher	<b>Deacon:</b>		Rev. Norah Fisher
<b>Liturgical Asst:</b>	Brian Simmons	Phyllis Strong	<b>Liturgical Asst:</b>	Brian Simmons	Gregg Perry
<b>Readers:</b>	Cathy Wilson	Barry De Silva Paulette De Silva	<b>Readers:</b>	Mike Coleman	B. Greenhalgh M. Rummel
<b>Intercessor:</b>	Alison Wilcock	Tricia Datene	<b>Intercessor:</b>	Cathy Wilson	Geoff Strong
<b>Chalice:</b>	Linda Howie	Mark Hird-Rutter Jane Hird-Rutter	<b>Chalice:</b>	Marg Berikoff	Bill Anderson Judi Anderson
<b>Greeters:</b>	Audrey Loewen	David & Priscilla Lowe	<b>Greeters:</b>	Audrey Loewen	Geoff & Phyllis Strong
<b>Music Director:</b>		Barry DeSilva	<b>Music Director:</b>		Barry DeSilva
<b>Altar Guild:</b>	L. Howie, G. King, B. Fulton, R. Luxmoore		<b>Altar Guild:</b>	M. Berikoff, G. Cox, K. Cloutier	
<b>Coffee:</b>	Bob & Gwyn King	Gordon & Vickie Oldnall	<b>Coffee:</b>	Mary Johnson Cathy Wilson	Roger & Liz Williams
<b>Readings:</b>	Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12		<b>Readings:</b>	1 Samuel 3:1-10, Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17, 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, John 1:43-51	

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<b>The Parish Office is open Tuesday to Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Following a Statutory Holiday, the office is closed on the Tuesday and reopens on the Wednesday at 9 a.m.</b>			