

BISHOP'S RE-CHARGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

You, as the members of the 98th Synod of the Diocese of British Columbia, have worked very hard and I honour you and the decisions you have made at this synod. You have made brave and courageous decisions that will shape us and have set the direction for our diocese into the future. We could even say that this was a historic synod for us.

We listed some goals as we gathered for this synod. I believe we have accomplished all these goals. However, that does not mean that the work is over. It means that we begin now to work towards the new direction for our diocese.

1. All Synod delegates understand the diocesan vision, have seen examples of it being lived out in the diocese, and are leaving Synod with a sense of enthusiasm and optimism about how the vision is/will be lived out in their church communities.

I believe that the leadership of the vision fund team and vision teams (under the direction of Ian Alexander and Brendon Neilson) did just that as we gathered and that we all left with a clear understanding of how the vision has become a reality in the life of our diocese. The enthusiasm and optimism that came out of these presentations re-charged us and left us with a better understanding of the vision and how it can be lived out in our parishes.

2. Demonstrate widely recognized, tangible signs that healing and reconciliation within the life of the diocese is happening and is an ongoing priority.

We still have a distance to go. However, the feeling of unity within synod was real. Having the synod at the Songhees Wellness Centre was symbolic of the wellness we have up to now experienced in our diocese.

I believe that as we leave this synod our relationship as parishes of this diocese are better than they have ever been. We understand that we are the diocese and with God we are on a journey of healing. We are learning



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to live with differences and we have lived well during this time together at Synod. I thank you for how well we have worked together in spite of some differences.

3. Demonstrate a strong, clear sense that after the diocesan year of reconciliation we are beginning to establish new relationships, built on trust and mutual respect, with the First Peoples of these islands and inlets.

We have journeyed a long way on the road of reconciliation. We still have far to go but we can be proud of what we have achieved together as a diocese. I am very proud to see the orange shirts today and your welcome and engagement with the First Nations leadership who have been our partners at this synod. I believe we accomplished this goal at this synod. However, our long journey is not over.

<http://www.reentersacredjourney.ca/videos.html>

4. Delegates understand and approve a realistic five-year financial plan that includes a substantial fundraising component.

The decision to go forward with *Transforming Futures* means we all have work to do. I heard synod asking for help and support as we roll out this financial initiative. I am pleased to say the Rev. Michael Wimmer has accepted my appointment as part-time facilitator of *Transforming Futures*. Michael will not be leaving his position at St. Michael and All Angels Chemainus but will be adding this role to his work in the parish.

I heard concern from parishes that they will need help enacting this initiative. We will be there to help you navigate the journey that is before us. Concerns were also raised around some of the language that has been used in *Transforming Futures*. As we move ahead we will make sure we use language that reflects our theology of stewardship. Finally, I heard your concerns about budgets, deficits etc. I will commit to you, as we journey into the next five years, that Diocesan Council and Finance Committee will be good fiscal stewards of the responsibilities you have given them.

5. Create a space to worship, break bread, spend time together, and celebrate being a diocesan community.



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Our worship experiences at synod reflect the beautiful variety of liturgies available to us in this diocese. The rhythm of our worship brought balance and depth to our time together. Thank you to the worship teams at synod and all who led and participated in the services.

6. Conduct regular canonical business required of a synod (appointments, elections, constitutional amendments, budget presentation)

We conducted the regular canonical business required for us in this synod. Thank you to the chancellor, vice chancellor, the Resolutions Committee, the Nominations Committee, the Expenditures Committee, the Credentials Committee and the scrutineers. Thank you to all who let their names stand for the election. I look forward to working with all of you.

Today you have chosen to live a new story, a story that will define us into the future. You have chosen to live this story step-by-step into God's future, a story that will be lived honouring the differences that are present in who we are as Anglicans on these islands and inlets. It is the story of resource communities and of a capital city. It is the story of islands on a gulf and the celebration of their uniqueness. It is the story of truth-telling, healing and reconciliation. It is the story of a rugged west coast, a peaceful oceanside, it is the story of bens (mountains), lochs (lakes and inlets), eileans and innis' (islands) across an archipelago reaching the mainland of British Columbia. It is the story of Jesus, it is the Gospel story lived out in us. It is the story of the impossible becoming possible. It is the story of "yes we can"

It will become the story of "yes we did"

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Appendix "A"

2016 - May to Dec

Confirmations 18

2017

Confirmations 29

Received 8

2018 - Jan to Sep

Confirmations 21

Archdeacons:

Clara Plamondon appointed archdeacon of Cowichan/Malaspina, effective Aug 1, 2018

Dawna Wall appointed archdeacon of Selkirk, effective Aug 1, 2018

Lincoln McKoen appointed archdeacon of Nimpkish, effective Aug 1, 2018

Canons:

Constance Isherwood appointed lay canon, Jan 5, 2017

Richard Stetson appointed diocesan canon, effective May 14, 2017

Victor Flett appointed lay canon, effective Dec 2, 2017

Regional Deans

Bruce Bryant-Scott appointed regional dean of Tolmie, effective May 2, 2016

Susan Hayward-Brown appointed regional dean of Nimpkish, effective Apr 18, 2017

Craig Hiebert appointed regional dean of Tolmie, effective Apr 24, 2017

Anthony Divinagracia appointed regional dean of Nimpkish, effective Dec 2, 2017

Sandra Hounsell-Drover appointed regional dean of Selkirk, effective Aug 30, 2018

Ordinations

2016

Craig Hiebert ordained priest, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Selinde Krayenhoff ordained priest, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Matthew Brown ordained deacon in transition, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Gillian Hoyer ordained deacon in transition, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Margaret Misener ordained deacon, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

William Poppy ordained deacon, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Patrick Sibley ordained deacon, May 29, at Christ Church Cathedral

Tanya Packer-McKoen ordained priest, Jun 22, at St. John the Divine, Courtenay

Alastair Hunting ordained deacon in transition, Jun 22, at St. John the Divine, Courtenay

Meagan Crosby-Shearer ordained priest, Jul 24, at Christ Church Cathedral

Robert Crosby-Shearer ordained deacon in transition, Jul 24, at Christ Church Cathedral

Christopher Samson ordained deacon in transition, Jul 24, at Christ Church Cathedral

2017

Alastair Hunting ordained priest, Jun 10, at St. Peter, Campbell River

Matthew Brown ordained priest, Jul 24, at St. John the Divine, Victoria

Gillian Hoyer ordained priest, Jul 24, at St. John the Divine, Victoria

Christopher Samsom ordained priest, Jul 24, at St. John the Divine, Victoria

Paul Schumacher ordained deacon in transition, Dec 12, at St. Peter & St. Paul, Esquimalt

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2018

Robert Crosby-Shearer ordained priest, Jun 29, at Christ Church Cathedral
Paul Schumacher ordained priest, Jun 29, at Christ Church Cathedral
Ruth Dantzer ordained deacon in transition, Jun 29, at Christ Church Cathedral
Dyan Davison ordained deacon in transition, Jun 29, at Christ Church Cathedral
Gail Rodger ordained deacon in transition, Sep 22, at St. Andrew, Sidney

Appointments and Resignations

2016

Selinde Krayenhoff appointed deacon-in-charge of St. Mary, Nanoose Bay, effective May 1
Alastair Hunting appointed facilitator of liturgy and pastoral care of St. Columba, Pt. Hardy, and St. John, Pt. Alice, effective May 2nd
Craig Hiebert appointed incumbent of St. Mary the Virgin, Oak Bay, effective May 30th
Selinde Krayenhoff appointed incumbent of St. Mary, Nanoose Bay, effective May 30th
Patrick Sibley appointed deacon of St. John the Divine, Victoria, effective May 30th
Matthew Brown appointed deacon-in-charge of St. David-by-the-Sea, Cordova Bay, and St. Peter, Lakehill, effective Jun 1st
Gillian Hoyer appointed assistant curate of St. John the Divine, Victoria, effective Jun 1st
Margaret Misener appointed deacon of St. John the Divine, Courtenay, effective Jun 1st
William Poppy appointed deacon of St. Philip, Cedar, effective Jul 1st
Ian Powell appointed interim priest-in-charge of St. George the Martyr, Cadboro Bay, effective Aug 15th
Richard LeSueur resigned as incumbent at St. George the Martyr, Victoria, effective Aug 31st
Christopher Samsom appointed assistant curate at St. Peter, Comox, effective Sep 1st
Eric Partridge resigned as incumbent at St. Mary Magdalene, Mayne, and St. Margaret of Scotland, Galiano, effective Sep 16th
Eric Partridge appointed incumbent of St. Andrew, Sidney, effective Sep 17th
Greg Lynn appointed interim priest-in-charge of St. Mary Magdalene, Mayne Island, effective Sep 25th
Bill Morrison appointed interim priest-in-charge of St. Matthias, Victoria, effective Oct 27th
Rob Hutchison appointed interim priest-in-charge of St. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, effective Oct 27th
Gil Shoesmith resigned as deacon of the Parish of Central Saanich, effective Oct 30th
Will Ferrey resigned as incumbent of the Parish of St. Columba, Tofino, and the West Coast Mission, effective Oct 31st
Sandra Hounsell-Drover appointed incumbent of Church of the Advent, Colwood, effective Nov 27th
Tanya Packer-McKoen resigned as incumbent at St. John Gualbert, Pt. McNeill, effective Nov 30th
Brenda Nestegaard Paul appointed incumbent of Trinity Anglican/Lutheran Church, effective Dec 1st

2017

Dimas Canjura resigned as incumbent of St. Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin, effective Jan 13th
Austin Spry resigned as priest associate at St. George the Martyr, Cadboro Bay, effective Jan 15th

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Heather Ann Robinson resigned as incumbent of St. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, effective Jan 21st

Justin Cheng resigned as assistant curate at St. Paul, Nanaimo, effective Jan 31st

Bruce Bryant-Scott resigned as incumbent at St. Matthias, Victoria, effective Apr 23rd

Meagan Crosby-Shearer resigned as assistant curate at St. Barnabas, effective Apr 30th

Meagan Crosby-Shearer appointed as incumbent, part-time, at St. Matthias, Victoria, effective May 1st

Rob Hutchison resigned as interim priest-in-charge of St. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, effective May 7th

Bruce Bryant-Scott appointed as interim priest-in-charge of St. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, effective May 10th

Mary-Jane Leewis-Kirk appointed incumbent at St. Peter, Quamichan, effective May 28th

Elizabeth Welch appointed incumbent at St. George the Martyr, Cadboro Bay, effective Aug 13th

Heather Cutten resigned as deacon at St. Michael & All Angels, Chemainus, effective Aug 31st

Rob Szo resigned as incumbent at the Parish of Central Saanich, (St. Mary, Saanichton, and St. Stephen, South Saanich) effective Aug 31st

Brian Evans appointed diocesan stewardship officer, effective Sep 11th

John Steele appointed incumbent at St. John the Baptist, South Cowichan, effective Oct 15th

Aneeta Saroop appointed incumbent at St. Mary of the Incarnation, Metchosin, effective Dec 11th

Paul Schumacher appointed deacon at Church of the Advent, Colwood, effective Dec 13th

2018

Karen Hollis appointed as incumbent at Christ Church Gabriola, effective Jan 1st

Heather Cutten appointed deacon at St. John the Baptist, Duncan, and St. Peter, Quamichan, effective Jan 7th

Caleb Lawrence appointed as interim priest-in-charge of St. Mark, Qualicum Beach, effective Jan 25th

Richard L. Stetson resigned as incumbent at Parish of Salt Spring, effective Jan 31st

Julia Mallett appointed as interim priest-in-charge of the Parish of Salt Spring, effective Feb 11th

Jennifer Marlor appointed incumbent at St. Columba, Tofino, and St. Aidan Community, Ucluelet, effective Feb 18th

Lincoln McKoen resigned as incumbent at Christ Church, Alert Bay, Ft. Rupert and St. George, Kingcome Inlet, effective Mar 3th

Lincoln McKoen appointed as incumbent at St. Peter, Campbell River, effective Mar 4th

Philip Zimmerman appointed as interim priest-in-charge of Christ Church, Alert Bay, St. Olaf, Quatsino, and St. George, Kingcome Inlet, effective Mar 23rd

Susan Hayward-Brown resigned as incumbent at St. Mark, Qualicum Beach, effective Mar 23rd

Matthew Brown resigned as incumbent at the Two Saints Ministry, effective Apr 15th

Gillian Hoyer resigned as assistant curate at St. John the Divine, Victoria, effective Apr 15th

John Firmston appointed interim priest-in-charge of the Two Saints Ministry, effective Apr 23rd

Michael Deck appointed interim priest-in-charge at St. Mark, Qualicum Beach, effective Apr 23rd

Brian Evans resigned as diocesan stewardship officer, effective Apr 30th

Clara Plamondon resigned as incumbent at St. John the Baptist, Duncan, effective May 31st

Clara Plamondon appointed incumbent at St. Paul, Nanaimo, effective Jun 1st

Brian Evans appointed as interim priest-in-charge at St. John the Baptist, Duncan, effective Jun 1st

David Fitzsimmons resigned as deacon to the Bishop of British Columbia for the Nimpkish region, effective June 30th

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Robert Crosby-Shearer appointed priest to the Emmaus Community and Abbey Church and Bishop's Advisor on Emerging Communities, effective Jun 30th

Paul Schumacher appointed priest associate at Church of the Advent, Colwood, effective Jun 30th

Dyan Davison appointed priest associate at St. Mary the Virgin, Oak Bay, effective Jun 30th

Christine Muise appointed priest associate, half-time, at St. Anne & St. Edmund, Parksville, effective Sep 1st

Lon Towstego resigned as incumbent at St. Peter & St. Paul, Esquimalt, effective Sep 2nd

Lon Towstego appointed incumbent at Parish of Central Saanich, effective Sep 2nd

Gyllian Davies appointed incumbent at Parish of Salt Spring, effective Sep 17th

Gail Rodger appointed deacon in transition at Holy Trinity, N. Saanich, effective Sep 23rd

Bruce Bryant-Scott resigned as priest of the diocese and as interim priest-in-charge at St. Dunstan, effective Sep 23rd

Elizabeth Northcott appointed as incumbent at St. Mark, Qualicum Beach, effective Sep 24th

Jim Lyster resigned as incumbent at St. Peter, Comox, effective Sep 30th

Deconsecrations

2016

St. John the Evangelist, Ladysmith, June 30th

Miscellaneous

2016

Selinde Krayenhoff appointed chaplain, Queen Margaret School, effective Jun 1st

Ed Lewis resigned as editor of the Diocesan Post, effective Jun 30th

Norah Fisher resigned as chaplain, Saanich Peninsula Hospital, effective Oct 25th

Sheila Flynn resigned as canon pastor of the Diocese, effective Oct 25th

2017

Ruth Dantzer appointed as interim chaplain, University of Victoria Multifaith Services, effective Feb 2nd

Dyan Davison appointed as canon pastor of the Diocese, effective Feb 21st

Ruth Dantzer appointed chaplain, University of Victoria Multifaith Services, effective Sep 1st

Brian Evans appointed diocesan stewardship officer, effective Sep 1st

2018

Brian Evans resigned as diocesan Stewardship Officer, effective Apr 30th

David Gilbert appointed as diocesan representative to the Anglican Foundation of Canada, effective May 22nd

Constance D. Isherwood resigned as chancellor of the diocese, effective Sep 30th

