PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2021

• **COVID-19 UPDATE**. In response to the BC provincial health officer's extension of the December 7 order suspending public gatherings, the Diocese of British Columbia is extending the suspension of all in-person worship, meetings, events and community gatherings **until at least February 8**.

• BIBLE STUDY WITH CHRIS LEVAN: *THE PRAYER, 68 WORDS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD*—TUE JAN 12, 7PM via Zoom. Join Chris Levan for an evening exploration of the Lord's Prayer, how it worked in its original community, and how it still might make miracles for us today. Tuesday evenings at 7PM in January. **Register** by email to Rev. Gyllian (gdavies@bc.anglican.ca).

• ON HALLOWING ONE'S DIMINISHMENTS—THU JAN 14, 2PM via Zoom. Led by Al Robertson & Gyllian Davies. Together we'll ponder the diminishments that arrive in our lives. How is the Spirit at work in us through these diminishments? We'll use an eloquent 26 page booklet written by Joh Yungblut as our jumping off place. There are 8 copies of the booklet available through Gyllian. Thursday afternoons at 2PM in January. **Register** by email to Rev. Gyllian (gdavies@bc.anglican.ca).

Star of the Sea Events

All events are held online on **Zoom**. **Registration is required** by email to <u>staroftheseassi@gmail.com</u> and then you will be emailed the Zoom link to join the session.

• *SONGS OF THE HEART AND SPIRIT*—TUE JAN 12, 7-8:30PM. An eclectic set of songs & chants to sing, rattle or drum along with. Led by Marilyn Walker and joined by Edgar Hann on his Newfoundland button accordion and Adam Huber on guitar.

• *RAINBOW OF RECONCILIATION*—WED JAN 20, 10:30AM-12PM. Friends and colleagues in the work of reconciliation and decolonization, Alex Nelson, a member of the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw First Nations and Elder and Senior Advisor to the Indigenous Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation Council, and Logan McMenamie, recently retired Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of the Islands and the Inlets, will reflect on how story shapes individuals and communities to look beyond the obvious and see the divine and sacred in creation (nature) and our traditions. Join Alex and Logan for a conversation about developing common ground and spiritual connection across deep cultural boundaries.

For more information: <u>https://www.staroftheseassi.ca/events</u>

In the Community

• BC'S BLACK PIONEERS – THEIR INDUSTRY AND CHARACTER INFLUENCED THE VISION OF CANADA. New online exhibit is a creation by the B.C. Black History Awareness Society with support from Digital Museums Canada. Their story is unlike any other story in Canada. As the Fraser Gold Rush was heightening, the British desperately needed settlers and they needed them quickly, settlers who could help to cement Victoria, the capital of the Colony of Vancouver Island, as a British administrative, business and mining hub, thwarting any attempts by the Americans to assert territorial authority. This exhibit reveals how a group of about 800 Black immigrants, invited to settle here by Governor James Douglas, helped to stabilize British colonial communities and keep this area of Western Canada from American hands. The exhibit includes the story of the **Stark Family** who settled on Salt Spring Island as part of the Governor James Douglas program. British Columbia's Black Pioneers (communitystories.ca)

In the Diocese and Beyond

• DESSERT & DIALOGUE: MARTIN BROKENLEG—TUE JAN 12, 7-8:15PM via ZOOM. Join the Lutheran Church of the Cross in this special Truth and Reconciliation event. The Rev. Dr. Martin Brokenleg is co-author of the book *Reclaiming Youth at Risk: Our Hope for the Future* and co-developer of the Circle of Courage model and provides training worldwide for individuals who work with youth at risk. To access the Zoom event, please contact: <u>lutheranchurchofthecross@shaw.ca</u>.

• CONSECRATION & INSTALLATION OF 14th BISHOP - ANNA GREENWOOD-LEE—SAT JAN 30, 11AM-12:30PM via Livestream. Please save the date and plan to join, via livestream on the diocesan website, Facebook and YouTube.

• JANUARY 2021 DIOCESAN POST. Read it here: January 2021 Diocesan Post | Issues | Anglican Diocese of British Columbia.

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