



The Prayer Book Society of Canada

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Dear friends and supporters of the Book of Common Prayer,

As we enjoy the longest days of the year and look forward to the usual summer pursuits, such as going to the cottage or to the beach, it would be easy to forget that God never ceases to work in the world to further his Kingdom, that the worship of the Church is ongoing, and that charitable organizations such as the Prayer Book Society of Canada still strive to further their aims. All of this is to say that we need your continued support, both financially and through prayer, to maintain our endeavours in the PBSC. Included with this letter is an envelope with which you can make a donation to the Society, and we encourage you, if possible, to support us with your monetary gifts.

Given the advances over the years in communications technology, it is our ongoing regret that the only contact that we have with many of our members is through paper correspondence. Despite the heroic efforts of our Membership Secretary, Archdeacon Richard Spencer, we cannot always keep up with changes in addresses or with deaths of recipients of our mailings. We do not have a sufficiently large database of email addresses to communicate with most of our membership by such means. It is for this reason that we continue to encourage people to sign up electronically via the "Stay in Touch" page on our website (www.prayerbook.ca/stay-in-touch) so that we can build a database that more thoroughly serves our membership. Those who take advantage of this option will receive our quarterly mailings via email, but can continue to receive paper copies if they so desire. You can also receive the latest news of the Society's work by bookmarking our Facebook page. Donations can be made online via our Canada Helps portal (<https://prayerbook.ca/contact/donate/>). We would very much like to communicate more effectively with our membership through electronic means, and there is also the ongoing concern that what with the ever-increasing cost of postage, we may some day have to curtail the number of paper mailings that we send out so as to reduce costs. Please sign up electronically if you can.

Those who follow our Facebook page will already have heard the good news that the Right Rev'd Michael Hawkins, the former Episcopal Visitor to the Society and a longtime supporter of our work, has graciously accepted the tribute of being named the Honorary President of the PBSC. We will continue to enjoy his wisdom and insight, and we pray for God's blessing upon him now that he has retired from his former position as Bishop of Saskatchewan.

May the Lord bless all of you richly as you enjoy the summer months, and we look forward to encouraging and edifying you with our next newsletter in the fall.

Your servant in Christ,

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