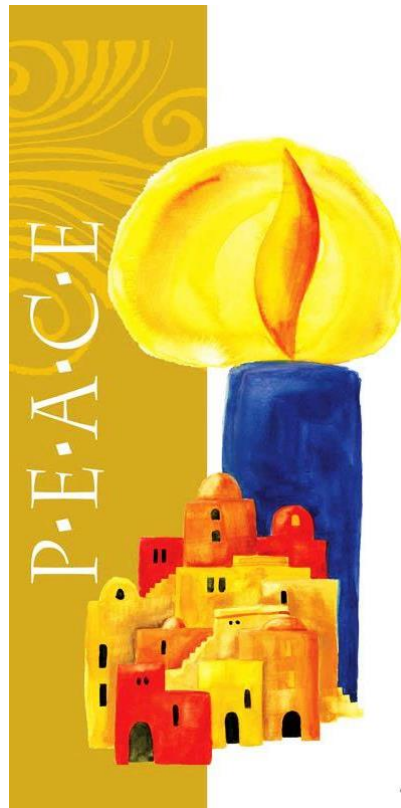


*St. John's Presbyterian Church*

*1480 George Street in White Rock*

*December 10, 2017*



*Today's Greeters*

Steve Cline & Sharon Lelonde-Cline

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

### *Hymn Sing*

"On Jordan's Bank" Hymn 126

"Emmanuel, Emmanuel" Hymn 114

Announcements

Advent Liturgy & Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candle

"Hope is a Star" Hymn 119

Greeting & Call to Worship

"There's a Voice in the Wilderness Crying" Hymn 128

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture **Mark 1 : 1 – 11** (pew Bible p. 1551)

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Presentation

Sermon **"Witnesses of Christ"**

"Prepare the Way, O Zion" Hymn 129

Prayers of the People

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Gathering of the Offering

Doxology Hymn 830

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Prayer of Dedication

## WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

"Once in Royal David's City" Hymn 166

Charge & Benediction

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

### **Happy Birthday!**

Jasper Burger December 3, Kyra Emley today, December 10  
and Jan Venter December 15



**Happy Anniversary** to Jasper & Liza Burger on December 12,  
Rod & Ritva MacLeod on December 13 and Sidney & Lizette  
Field on December 15!

### **Remember in Prayer:**

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| Hazel Alden     | Jim McKee       |
| Natalie Anthony | Anne McNaughton |
| Sylvia Bleeks   | Carla Simpson   |
| George Boulet   | Alex Lozanski   |
| Pat Brown       | Rod MacLeod     |
| Ruth Campbell   | Margie Stager   |
| Sandy Erickson  | Pastor Willem   |
| Helen Garvie    | Maxine Watson   |

### **Pastor Willem's Bible Study**

Studies are finished for the year and will resume on Jan 3.

**In-Home Bible Study** is held at the home of Barb Petticrew  
Wednesday mornings at 10am. **This week, Dec 13 will be the  
last study until January.** All are welcome!

**The Lord is Coming! Prepare!** Books are on display in the  
library to be read during this time of Advent. "But Mary  
treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart."  
Luke 2 : 19

## **Bible Readings December 11 to December 17**

1 Thessalonians 5 : 13 – 28; John 1 : 1 – 18; John 1 : 19 – 34;  
Haggai 1 : 1 – 15; Haggai 2 : 1 – 9; Haggai 2 : 10 – 23;  
Psalm 126 : 1 – 6

**Special Kirk Session** meeting today after church at 11:45.

## **Christmas Services Poinsettia or Flowers**

If you would like a poinsettia purchased for you, or if you would like to provide one for the Sanctuary, please take a form and envelope provided in the hall. **Forms should be placed in the office drop box by today!**

## **St. John's Ladies Fellowship Updates**

Many thanks to the congregation for your generous support of our Christmas hamper for the family of six. Our ladies will pack the hamper with donated items and gift cards at our Dec 12 Ladies Fellowship meeting. **Today is the last day to donate!**

**SJP Outreach Committee** has adopted a family of four this Christmas. Any cash donations would be greatly appreciated to ensure a festive, blessed Christmas for this single parent and three girls. Please see Denise Langley.

**Vancouver School of Theology** receives \$400,000 Henry Luce Foundation grant. Read more on our hall bulletin board!

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## **St. John's Presbyterian Church**

**Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings!**

**Next Afrikaans Service** is January 28 at 9am

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| Clerk of Session Keith Leishman | 604-531-0702 |
| Music Director Reynhardt Crause | 604-560-9373 |
| Admin Assistant Kimberly Wulkan | 604-536-9322 |

Church Office is open Wednesdays & Thursdays 9a – 3p.  
We are closed Dec 22 thru Jan 2 for the Christmas holiday.