

**Welcome to
St. John's
Presbyterian Church**

1480 George Street

White Rock, BC

December 13, 2015

Third Sunday in Advent



WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing

"Comfort, Comfort You My People" Hymn 113

"Herald! Sound the Note of Judgement" Hymn 117

"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" Hymn 143

Announcements

Advent Liturgy

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Greeting & Call to Worship

"Hark the Glad Sound" Hymn 118

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading **Zephaniah 3 : 1 – 20**

(Pew Bibles page 666 / large print page 1465)

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

Anthem "Come To Us Now Emmanuel" Price & Besig

Sermon "**Christ the Bounteous Blessing**"

Prayers of the People

"Sleepers, Wake!" Hymn 127

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

"Christians Awake" Hymn 135

Charge & Benediction

Three-Fold Amen

Postlude

St. John's Proclaims Christ in Welcoming Fellowship,
Uplifting Worship and Compassionate Service

Today's Greeters

Gordon & Emily Wilson



Happy Birthday to . . .

Jan Venter on December 15 and May Duncan on December 20!

Happy Anniversary and Best Wishes to Rod & Ritva MacLeod on December 13 and Sidney & Lyzette Field, Willie & Ellen Joubert and Pierre & Wilma Vuilleumier on December 15!

Remember in Prayer:

George Boulet, David & Jenny Zhang, Brad Forster, Alex Lozanski, Denis & Barb Marshall, Jim McKee and Dr. Vern Sobey.

Advent Supper & Sing hosted by our White Rock Lutheran congregation **today at 5pm** here at St. John's. Turkey and the trimmings will be provided. Please bring a side dish, dessert or any dish to accommodate your special dietary needs.

Enjoy an 'Evening With the Classics', a concert presented by Reynhardt Crause and Tristan Chalcraft next **Saturday, Dec 19** at 7:30pm. Admission is \$10 at the door.

New Greeter Sign-Up Sheet for January to March 2016

is posted on the bulletin board! If you would like to be a greeter, please add your name to the list! Thank you to all who have volunteered in 2015!

Bible Readings

December 14 to December 20

Philippians 4 : 1 – 23; Micah 1 : 1 – 16;
Micah 2 : 1 – 13; Micah 3 : 1 – 12; Micah 4 : 13 – 5 : 15;
Micah 6 : 1 – 16; Micah 7 : 1 – 20

**No Session meeting until next year!
Tuesday, January 26 at 7pm**

It is time to reflect and ponder during Advent as Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart so long ago. Advent means 'coming' and refers to Jesus Christ's coming to earth as an infant and to His promised return to earth known as the 'second coming'. Books are on display in the library to read during this time of Advent.

~ Librarian Fern Beale ~

Wednesday Bible Studies

We are now on break until the New Year.
See you on January 13th!

Sunday Morning Worship Begins at 10:30am

A service in the **Afrikaans** language is held each **second** and **fourth** Sunday at 9am.

Afrikaans Christmas Day service will be held at 10am.

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