

Land Acknowledgment

"We acknowledge we are on the traditional, unceded territories of the Semiahmoo First Nation and the broader territory of the Coast Salish Peoples."

Our Mission Statement:
St. John's proclaims Christ in
welcoming fellowship
uplifting worship
and compassionate service

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Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings! Services live on Internet and broadcast on FM 89.3

Please check our website for church & community events & news. Bulletins & YouTube recordings of services can be found. To access livestreams and recorded services, click on "Access YouTube Here".

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**St. John's
Presbyterian
Church**
White Rock, BC

4 February 2024
10:30 am

Rev. Dale Woods
**"Hope When It All Seems
Hopeless"**



Love, Compassion, Service

Living Faith: 2.1.4 We cannot fully comprehend nor is it our task to justify God's rule of the world. We experience evil in the midst of life. Yet evil cannot ultimately prevail, for it is against God's will. The resurrection of Christ and the new life he gives us are assurance of his ultimate triumph.

Before the service begins, you may like to have a moment of prayer. You may use the one printed or one of your own:

“Gracious God, in the midst of the uncertainties of life, in a world so often in darkness and chaos, we come into the light of your love in Jesus Christ. Help us to know and live in that light and love.”

Gathering to Praise God

The asterisk * invites those who are able to stand.

Music as We Gather

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

L: The Lord be with you

P: And also with you.

L: In God, there is no darkness.

P: In Jesus Christ, we have seen God's light.

L: The Lord's unfailing love and mercy still continue.

P: Fresh as the morning and sure as the sunrise.

All: In the Lord, we put our hope.

Invitation to Worship by Lucas Bruder:

“Shout To The Lord” (Portuguese & English)

*Hymn: 814 Morning has broken

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Praise Response: 225 A new commandment

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Proclaiming God's Word

Job 38:1-7, 42:1-6 – *Job questions God regarding the difficulties in his life and discovers that what he sees is only a limited vision.*

Mark 1:29-39 – *Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law and carries on with his mission when others want him to stay in Capernaum.*

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

Sermon: Hope When it All Seems Hopeless

Responding to God's Word

Hymn: 489 Help us to help each other, Lord
Prayers of the People – Lord's Prayer (using 'trespasses')

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

Offertory:

*Doxology #830

*Offertory Prayer

Living God's Word

*Hymn: 760 Where cross the crowded ways of life

*Words of Mission

L: The church is Christ with his people.

P: Then let us serve in hope and in faith.

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God!

*Benediction

Postlude



Remember In Prayer

General Prayers:

Jean Andrew, Fern Beale, Helen Boulet, Jean Chalcraft,

Doug Eyjolfson, Judy Forster, Kay Francis,

Anne McNaughton, Rev. Diane Tait-Katerberg,

Maxine Watson, Jessie Woolley

Announcements

St. John's Ladies' Friendship Group

Monday 5 February

1:30 pm

Guest: Lucas Bruder de Oliveira

Sandy will be bringing her cards for sale.

Bible Study

Krishna Rao Durbha is starting up online ZOOM bible studies starting 7 February 2 – 4pm. It will continue every Wednesday through February & March. Eight-Week study on Philippians. To receive your ZOOM invitation, please provide your email address to Krishna at krishna2023vst@gmail.com.

Memorial For Tom Christie

Saturday 10th February at 11:00 am.

At St. John's

Presbytery Learning Day

Saturday 17th February. 9:30am – 2:30pm

Featuring five speakers involved in innovative ministries in the Greater Vancouver area. Event is hosted by Presbytery of New Westminster. No charges applied.

Lunch will be provided

If interested, please let Reynhardt note (for catering)

See posters in the Hall

AGM Reports

Final date for report submissions: Friday 23 February.

The AGM Meeting will be held Sunday 10th March

Immediately following the service.

Refreshments afterwards.

Condolences

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Barbara Petticrew, who passed away on the morning of Saturday 27th January. Our prayers go out the family & friends. The Celebration of Life will be held at St. John's on Saturday 24th February at 2:00pm.

Ministerial Needs

Our three student ministers are available to meet with congregants. Please call the office to make a booking (contact info at back of bulletin).

There is a sign-up chart in the hall for meeting with Krishna Rao Durbha.