

St. John's Presbyterian Church

1480 George Street in White Rock

August 19, 2018



WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

"Unto Thee, O Lord"

"Therefore the Redeemed"

Announcements

Greeting & Call to Worship

"In My Heart There Rings a Melody"

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

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

Presentation

"Heaven Came Down And Glory Filled My Soul"

Sermon

"Open Our Eyes, Lord"

Hymn 455

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

"Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

Hymn 655

Charge & Benediction

"Send Us Out"

Postlude

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



Happy Birthday Today!

Carla Simpson on August 19

Congratulations & Happy Anniversary!

George & Helen Boulet on August 21

Remember in Prayer:

Sybil Adair	Emily Boyle	Rod MacLeod
Jean Andrew	David & Una Cline	Anne McNaughton
Nick Anthony	Sandy Erickson	Kenneth McVey
George Boulet	Ping Erickson	Margie Stager
Helen Boulet	Helen Garvie	Maxine Watson
Gordon Boyle	Alex Lozanski	

Reports on Our Bulletin Board Today

We have posted three reports:

- ✓ Social Justice Action Committee report to Presbytery
- ✓ General Assembly Commissioners report to Presbytery
- ✓ Report on the Question of Unity & Diversity

These report copies are not to be removed from the bulletin board. If you would like a copy of any or all, please let the office know. Thank you!

Please Pickup your items loaned for the Bible Camp group today. They are in the office. Thank you!

Bible Readings August 20 to August 26

1 Kings 3 : 1 – 15; 1 Kings 8 : 1 – 21; Psalm 84 : 1 – 12;
Ephesians 6 : 10 – 24; Luke 22 : 14 – 30; John 6 : 60 – 7 : 9;
John 7 : 10 – 31

In an article of DR. ELI LIZORKIN-EYZENBERG, he has a very interesting discussion of Judah. He says, Judah, being one of Jacob's children, participated in a conspiracy to get rid of his half-brother Joseph by selling him into slavery in Egypt. Given the 20-year life expectancy of Egyptian slaves, being sold into slavery in Egypt was not salvation from death. It *was* death, postponed by much suffering. When Judah matured and himself became the father of three sons (two of whom died after marrying Tamar) he learned what it means to love someone too much. Despite the law of levirate marriage which obligated Judah to have his third son marry Tamar, year after year he refused. His love for his son trumped his sense of justice towards Tamar. This continued until Tamar orchestrated one of the greatest redemptive breakthroughs in the history of the world – getting Judah himself to restore his dead son's seed. Tamar disgraced herself, pretending to be a local prostitute. Her truly unconventional (but incredibly courageous) plan worked brilliantly. When Tamar was found to be pregnant and the truth about Judah's relationship to the child was proven, Judah repented and declared Tamar innocent of any wrongdoing. Judah recognized his own sin and owned his guilt, rather than condemn Tamar. (Gen.38:1-27). The book of Ruth celebrates Perez, the child of Tamar and Judah, as a crucial part of God's redemptive plan and establishes him as the ancestor of King David (Ruth 4:11-17). Even more important, the Gospels include Perez among the forefathers of Jesus the Messiah and the Book of Revelation refers to Jesus as the Lion from the tribe of Judah! Perez, regardless of the circumstances of his birth, is an essential link in the chain that connects Jesus the Messiah and Judah, the son of Jacob.

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Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings!

Church Office Hours: Wednesdays & Thursdays 9a – 3p