

January 29, 2017

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Morning Praise

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

"Jehovah Jireh"

Announcements

Greeting & Call to Worship

"I Will Enter His Gates"

"Glorify Your Name"

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:1-10 The Beatitudes

(Pew Bible page 1501)

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

Presentation "Blest Are They" Hymn 624 Sermon "It's Exam Time" Pastor Norm Miller

Apostles' Creed Hymn

Prayers of the People

"Great is Thy Faithfulness" Hymn 324

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

The Trees of the Field

Postlude

St. John's Presbyterian and White Rock Lutheran Sunday Worship

Today's Greeters

Rowena Leivo and Maria Tejero

Happy Birthday this week to Amparin Garcia and Iva Resch on January 29!



Remember in Prayer: Margaret Anderson, George Boulet, Gordon Boyle, Phyllis Douglas, Sandy Erikson, Helen Garvie, Lillie Hick, Alex Lozanski, Rod MacLeod, Jim McKee, Marian Mirtle, Heather Olson, Dr. Vern Sobey, Margie Stager, Pastor Willem and Maxine Watson.

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Ann MacLean. Ann passed away on Monday, January 23. There will be a graveside service on Tuesday, January 31 at 1pm at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, 3789 Royal Oak Avenue in Burnaby.

Pastor Willem's Bible Study is on Tuesday mornings at 10am and Wednesday evenings at 7pm, studying what the Bible says about prayer. This week: **"Kinds of Prayers"**

The In-home Bible Study is each Wednesday at 10am at the home of Barb Petticrew studying the books of Joshua and Judges. All are welcome!

White Rock Lutheran Bible Studies at St. John's studying the book of Revelation on Tuesdays at 7pm and Christian Apologetics on Thursdays at 7pm; both held in the lounge.

Bible Readings January 30 to February 5

Isaiah 58 : 1 – 14; Psalm 112 : 1 – 10; Psalm 84 : 1 – 12; Luke 2 : 22 – 40; Revelation 22 : 6 – 21; 1 Corinthians 2 : 1 – 16; Matthew 5 : 13 – 20

St. John's Annual General Meeting Saturday, March 4 at 11am

Please come and enjoy a cup of tea, a muffin and have a voice in the important issues and business of your church.

Please see the Coffee Hour Sign-up on the Bulletin Board Sign up to help with our Sunday coffee hour in March and May!

Offering Envelopes Reminder

If you give offerings at St. John's, please see Denise Langley for offering envelopes or contact the office. You will be assigned a numbered box of envelopes and, as always, given a year-end tax receipt for your donations. You do not have to be a member to be issued envelopes. The envelopes are not dated, so you may use them for weekly or monthly giving until they run out. Tax receipts will be available in the office no later than February 26!

The Ladies Friendship Group looks forward to meeting on February 6 at 1:30pm here at St. John's for fellowship, fun and refreshments. All ladies are welcome!

St. John's Presbyterian Church

Worship with us on Sundays at 10:30am Afrikaans Service February 26 at 4pm

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Church Membership Matters

People need membership commitment because they need to be connected to a Christian community. This is not just for the sake of the faith community, but also for the sake of the individual. Individualist Christianity is a myth and a damaging pursuit. At the end of the day we're redeemed. We're placed in the body. The Bible specifically says He has redeemed us. He has transferred us, Colossians 1 says, from the domain of darkness into the kingdom of the Son He loves. A kingdom has a king. The king has subjects and His kingdom has a community together where we function as God's people.

God makes us a part of His larger family when we are born again. But then we should covenant in a local body and live in community with them, agreeing to live by certain established Godly principles and standards. Membership doesn't save us. But it enables us to grow and become spiritually mature in Christ. Not only should we be members of the body, each of us should also be able to express the value of, and passionately embrace, the Biblical nature of church membership.

- Taken from The Exchange, a blog by Ed Stetzer

Would you like to become a professing member of St. John's Presbyterian Church?

Please speak to Pastor Willem if you are interested or would like more information.

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