

St. John's Presbyterian Church

1480 George Street in White Rock

January 20, 2019



WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing.

"Hallelujah Let's Praise The Lord"

"Higher Ground"

"Holy Spirit, Thou Art Welcome"

Announcements

Greeting & Call to Worship

"I Will Enter His Gates"

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture **Isaiah 62:1-5** **p 1159**

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 **p 1785**

John 2:1-11 **p 1648**

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

Presentation **"Broken Vessels"**

Houston & Myrin

Sermon **'Sanctuary Gift'**

Prayers of the People

"There's Something About That Names"

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

"In Christ Alone"

Charge & Benediction

"The Trees of the Field"

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

Today's Greeter: Sharon Lelonde and Steve Cline

Happy Birthday!

Kalinka Field January 28th

Remember in Prayer:

Margaret Anderson	Nick Anthony	Phyllis Barnson		
George Boulet	Helen Boulet	Gordon Boyle		
Emily Boyle	David and Una Cline	Sandy Erickson	Alex Lozanski	Rod
MacLeod	Edith McIntyre	Anne McNaughton	Kenneth McVey	Margie
Stager				

Our condolences to Judy Christopherson whos husband passed the week of January 12th, 2019.

Men's Club meeting Saturday the 26th January at 9:15 am

Topic: Traffic Congestion. Speaker: Anonymous by request

Coffee, tea & fellowship \$5.00

Pastor Willem's Bible Study has resumed on Wednesday.

The study will be on the "**Feasts of God.**"

In-home Bible Study at Barb Petticrew's, 1874 136A St Wednesday at 10:30 am. They will be studying 1 Corinthians.

Bible Readings January 21 to January 27

Corinthians 12:14 -31a; Ephesians 2:11-22; Ephesians 3:1-21; Isaiah 65:15b-25; Galatians 2:11-24; Ezekiel 37:15-28; Luke 4:14-30

Session Meeting Tuesday January 22nd at 7pm

Tax Receipts are available in the Narthex.

AGM meeting planned for the end of February.

There is a story in the gospels which describes a healing involving Jesus' clothes. A woman, who suffered with a hemorrhage for twelve years, touched **a fringe of Jesus' garment** in hope thinking, "...if I only touch His garment, I will get well.' But Jesus turning and seeing her said, 'Daughter, take courage; your faith has made you well.' At once the woman was made well." (Mat 9:21-22) Why is this woman's healing tied to her faith and what is so special about the fringe of Jesus' cloak? Many Bible readers realize that she did not simply touch Jesus' clothes, she touched the κρᾶσπεδον (*kraspedon*) "hem", "edge", "fringe" or "corner" of his garment. Num 15:38 - 41 describes this special part of clothing. God instructed Moses, "...they shall make for themselves tassels on the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and that they shall put on the tassel of each corner a cord of blue. **It shall be a tassel for you to look at and remember all the commandments of the LORD...** I am the LORD your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt to be your God; I am the LORD your God." (Num. 15:38-41). This is the commandment of תְּצִיץ (tzitzit) "tassels" or "fringes" worn on four-cornered garments like a *tallit*. The purpose of such tassels is very specific – to remind Israel about their inseparable connection to God (i.e. to remind them about the covenant). The Hebrew word תְּצִיץ (tzitzit) is related to verb נָצַח (*natzah*) "to fly". Another form of this same verb, הִצַּח (*hitzah*) means "to struggle", "to strive", or "to try really hard". In her encounter with Jesus, this daughter of Abraham grasped the fringe of Messiah's garment in faith and struggle, leaping up to God and his anointed, trying as hard as she could to appeal to her connection with God, and trusting his covenant promises. She got hold of Jesus' tzitzit and would not let it go. Her faith in God's faithfulness and goodness turned out to be well justified.

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Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings!

General Church Office Hours: Wed & Thu 10am – noon.

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