# St. John's Presbyterian Church 1480 George Street in White Rock February 17, 2019



### WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing.

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

"Unto Thee, O Lord"

"He is Able"

Announcements

Greeting & Call to Worship

"Shout To The Lord"

## WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture **Jeremiah 17:5-10 P. 1201 p. 843** 

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 p. 1789

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

Presentation "Rejoice" Tomlin, Cash & Reeves

Sermon "A Well Rooted Tree"

Prayers of the People

"He is Able"

## 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 Proclaims Christ in Welcoming Fellowship Uplifting Worship and Compassionate Service

Today's Greeter: Sharon Lelonde and Steve Cline

Happy Anniversary John & Jean Chalcraft Februray 23rd

Happy Birthday! Barbara Coghlan February 18<sup>th</sup>

Joyce Meyers February 20<sup>th</sup>

Remember in Prayer:

Margaret Anderson Nick Anthony Phyllis Barnson

George Boulet Helen Boulet Gordon Boyle

David and Una Cline Sandy Erickson Doug Eyjolfson

Alex Lozanski Rod MacLeod Edith McIntyre Anne McNaughton Kenneth

McVey Margie Stager

In-home Bible Study will now meet at Bev Logan's at 1501 Everall Wednesday at 10:30 am. They will be studying the Letters of Peter.

Pastor Willem's Bible Study is on Wednesdays. The study is on the "Feasts of God."

Tax Receipts are available in the Narthex.

Men's Club meets March 30 at 9:15am.

Praise and Worship Evening starts Sunday February 17th at 6pm.

World Day of Prayer will be March 1st at 1:00pm at Good Shepherd.

AGM meeting will be held on March 17th following Sunday Service

## Bible Readings February 11 to February 17

Luke 6:32-49;1 Samuel 26:1-25;Genesis 45:1-13; Genesis 45:14-28;Psalm 37:1-20; Psalm 37:21-40;

## Pray For Your Enemy by Prof. Pinchas Shir

Jesus taught the crowds, "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you (Mat 5:43-44). An enemy is someone who actively seeks to harm you, and given a chance, may even kill you. In Hebrew an "enemy" (אֹיֵב, oyev) is closely connected to the idea of "hostility" (אַיבה, eyva) and (אַיב, ayav) means to "be hostile" to behave in an adversarial fashion, with enmity. The equivalent of Greek verb ἀγαπάω (agapao) in Hebrew is אָהֶב (ahav). The term means essentially the same in either language and is very broad. It describes relationships between friends or family members, between bride and groom, between slaves and masters and of course people with God. The Word indeed teaches not to hate relatives and to love neighbours (Lev 19:18) But Jesus takes it further when he talks about enemies. And that resounds another teaching in Torah, "If you meet your enemy's ox or his donkey wandering away, you shall surely return it to him. If you see the donkey of one who hates you lying helpless under its load, you shall refrain from leaving it to him, you shall surely release it with him." (Ex 23:4–5). The verses do not exactly say that "one should love the one who hates him", but the message of treating the enemy with goodness, rather than with hatred, not in adversarial way, is very obvious. Love can be a positive disposition towards someone, a righteous friendliness that does not require warm fuzzy feelings of affection.

## St. John's Presbyterian Church

## Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings!

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