

*St. John's Presbyterian Church*

*1480 George Street  
White Rock*

*December 15, 2019*



**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

*Hymn Sing.*

Prelude

Announcements

Advent Liturgy & Prayer

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hope Is A Star (Verse 1, 2 & 3)

Greeting & Call to Worship

"Angles From the Realms of Glory"

**Hymn 146**

**WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Isaiah 35:1-10

**Pg.1111**

Matthew 11:2-11

**Pg.1512**

James 5:7-

10

**Pg.1885**

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

Sermon

Prayers of the People"

"The First Nowell

**Hymn 146**

**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**

"Joy to the World"

**Hymn 153**

Charge & Benediction

"I Will Arise

Postlude

*Visiting Pianist: Christine Schafrick*

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

*Today's Greeter:* Sharon Lelonde and Steve Cline

**Anniversary:** Sidney & Lyzette Field Dec 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Remember in Prayer:**

Phyllis Barnson	George Boulet	Sandy Erickson	
Helen Boulet	Gordon Boyle	Anne McNaughton	
Doug Eyjolfson	Rod MacLeod	Margaret Neil	Judy Forster

**Bible study with Rev Willem:** will resume Wednesday  
January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

**In-home Bible study:** will resume in January 2020.

**Christmas Eve Service:** Dec 24<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm will be a joint service with the White Rock Lutheran Church.

**St. John's has 'Adopted a Family'** in need over the Christmas Season. Donations toward the hamper are welcomed. Please see Emily Wilson for further information.

**Bible Readings December 16 to December 22**

2 Chronicles 26:1-23; 2 Chronicles 28:1-8; 2 Chronicles 28:16-26;

Isaiah 7:1-16; Isaiah 7:17-8:10; Isaiah 8:11-9:1a;

Matthew 1:18-25.

## **The True Meaning Of Christmas**

Jesus Christ was born this day  
So many years before  
He came a servant to the lost,  
Though he was Lord of Lords

We celebrate this joyous time,  
Reflecting on His birth  
Not born in a mansion, but a stable  
As if He had no worth

He came so He could identify  
With the human heart of man  
And gave His life as a sacrifice,  
Offering a better plan

A plan that reconciles us back  
To our loving Father God,  
Bringing hope and redemption from  
Sins ruling, iron rod

For this is the only reason that we  
Should celebrate this day,  
To become focused on anything else,  
Would take the meaning away

So let's arise with joy in our hearts  
And share it with everyone  
The meaning of Christmas will always be  
The birth of Jesus – God's son

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## **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 – 3pm](#)