## **Land Acknowledgment**

"We acknowledge we are on the traditional, unceded territories of the Semiahmoo First Nation and the broader territory of the Coast Salish Peoples."

#### **Our Mission Statement**

St. John's proclaims Christ in welcoming fellowship uplifting worship and compassionate service.

Worship with us at 10:30 on Sunday Mornings. Services live on Internet and broadcast on FM 89.3 www.saint-johns.ca



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**General Church Office Hours:** 

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### **MISSION MOMENT: Sunday, December 7**

On World AIDS Day, we come together to remember the lives lost and to celebrate the progress made in combating the HIV and AIDS epidemic. In countries like Malawi, despite enormous progress, challenges persist. PWS&D, along with local partners, is ensuring that HIV testing services are available and that people have access to oral quick-test kits—a crucial tool for HIV prevention and early detection. Additionally, adolescent outreach clinics are being established to distribute condoms, helping ensure that young people can access safe sexual health options. As we mark World AIDS Day, we are reminded that the fight is not over. With continued collaboration, we can move closer to a future where HIV and AIDS are no longer prevalent.

#### DAILY PRAYERS

**Sunday, December 7** Give us peace in our relationships, homes, churches, communities and in our souls, O God, as we prepare to welcome Christ among us again.

**Monday, December 8** We pray for the Rev. Lyton Kilowe, head of the Internal Audit Department of the Blantyre Synod Office in Malawi, who completed the MBA program with the PCC's support.

**Tuesday, December 9** We pray for all those who serve on committees throughout the church as they discern together the mind of Christ, the will of God and the direction of the Holy Spirit.

Wednesday, December 10 We pray today for PWS&D programs around the world that are ensuring people know their rights and can advocate for themselves.

**Thursday, December 11** We pray for the Rev. Dr. Ary Fernández Albán in his second year as Rector of Seminario Evangélico de Teología in Matanzas, Cuba.

**Friday, December 12** We pray for the staff at Crieff Hills Retreat Centre, especially the kitchen and housekeeping staff, who quietly do the hard work required to ensure guests find welcome through nourishing meals and fresh accommodations.

Saturday, December 13 We pray for the Rev. Rebecca Simpson, Assistant Dean at St. Andrew's Hall, as she provides leadership for staff and students and works collaboratively with the Rev. Dr. Ross Lockhart as Dean to advance the mission of the Hall.



St. John's
Presbyterian
Church
White Rock, BC

07 December 2025 10:30am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent Communion Sunday

"An Earth-Shattering Event"

Preacher: Rev, Ron Tiessen





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Love, Compassion, Service

### GATHERING TO PRAISE GOD

*The asterisk* \* *invites those who are able to stand.* 

# Music As We Gather: 148 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear

Welcome & Announcements

\*Call to Worship
One: The light shines in the darkness,
All: We come to worship, seeking the peace of

One: Shine into our lives and your world this Advent.

Christ.

All: Renew in us Jesus' call to be peacemakers this day.

\*Opening Hymn 129 Prepare The Way O Zion

Advent Liturgy: Advent II – Peace
Lighting the Candle of Peace
Prayer of Adoration
Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
\*Sharing the Peace

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all; **And also, with you** 

#### PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10 Matthew 3:1-12

This is the WORD of GOD

Thanks be to GOD

SERMON: "AN EARTH\_SHATTERING EVENT"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn 163 Of Eternal Love Begotten

Invitation to the Offering

\*Offertory: Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

## **Holy Communion**

Invitation to the Table
The Narration of the Lord's Supper
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Breaking of the Bread Post Communion Prayer

#### LIVING GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn 126 On Jordan's Bank

\*Benediction

\*Sending Out Song: 119 Hope Is a Star (Vs 1 & 2)

#### IN THE LIFE OF ST. JOHN'S

## We Remember in Prayer:

Jean Andrew, Fern Beale, Jean Chalcraft, Janet Duncan, Doug Eyjolfson, Sheila Jakus, Scott Kelly, Phyllis McLean, Anne McNaughton, Daniel & Annette Nichols, Rev. Diane Tait-Katerberg, Jessie Woolley, Paula Odermatt

## **Upcoming Events:**

Combined Men's Club & Ladies Friendship Group Luncheon Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> December; 1:30pm; By donation

Camp Douglas Fundraising Gala 12<sup>th</sup> December

Hummingbird Ministry's Christmas Circle 12<sup>th</sup> December; 5:30 pm

Merry & Bright Christmas Celebration 19<sup>th</sup> December, 3:30 pm

Christmas Eve Service 24<sup>th</sup> December; 4:00pm; With Rev. Robin Ross

(Please see all the notices in the main hall)

