OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Abbotsford Regional Hospital: John Kerekes, Myrna DeFehr

Need new Placements: Liese Giesbrecht, Mary (John) Klassen

Laurette Montan - has major hip pain.

Susie Harms - eyesight is failing.

Glen Klassen - Les (Doris) Klassen's brother has cancer and is receiving chemotherapy.

Lillian Dyck - is in a lot of pain from her shingles.

Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell - oncologist visit.

Katie (Hans) Peters - recovery from surgery.

Sonia Bjorge - home but very weak.

Joel Chambers, son of **Martha & Lindsay Chambers -** chemotherapy starts on Oct. 5th.

Erika (John) **Klassen**, very ill, digestive system out of control. **Emmett** -great grandson of **Grant & Emeline Reist** had surgery Sept 30, it was very successful. He had a good first night and will be in recovery in hospital for 2-3 weeks before coming home. Thanks for your prayers.

Note of Sympathy

Our dear sister, **Betty** (nee Enns) **Klassen**, passed away on Saturday, September 26. The Memorial Service will take place on Friday, October 9 at 2 pm.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

THIS WEEK

All Sunday Services & Bible Studies are on Television and the Clearbrook MB Website.

Today 9:00 am Pastor George

10:00 am Pastor Scott

~ Coffee After English Service ~

Tuesday 2:00 pm Connection

Wednesday 9:00 am German Bible Study

10:00 am English Bible Study - Psalm 41

Friday 2:00 pm Memorial Service for Betty (Enns)

Klassen

Saturday 8:00 am Men's Prayer Fellowship

Sunday, October 11, 2020

9:00 am Pastor George 10:00 am Pastor Scott

~ Coffee After English Service ~

Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

"Ach, Herr, Gott des Himmels, du großer und furchtbarer Gott, der da hält den Bund und die Treue denen, die ihn lieben und seine Gebote halten!" Nehemia 1:4

Vorspiel: Eldon McBride

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor George

Gesang: # 41 Ein neues Lied hab ich gelernt

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet Pastor George

Gesang: # 40 Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr

Schriftlesung: Amos 7:1-6

Gesang: # 357 Du Groβer Zionskönig!

Botschaft: "Führbitte eines Dieners"

Amos 7:1-6 Pastor George

Schlusslied: # 230 Herr, Du Hörst der Deinen Flehen

DIESE WOCHE

Alle Gottesdienste und Bibelstunden werden über Fernseh (TV) und Computer übertragen.

Heute - Kaffee Gemeinshaft (nach dem englischen Gottesdienst)

Dienstag 2:00 Uhr Connection

Mittwoch 9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde - Doyle Klaassen

10:00 Uhr Englishe Bibelstunde - Pastor Walter

- Psalm 41

Freitag 2:00 Uhr Gedenkfeier für Betty (Enns) Klassen

Samstag 8:00 Uhr Männer Gebetsstunde

Nächsten Sonntag, den 11. Oktober, 2020

10:00 Uhr Pastor Scott

9:00 Uhr Prediger Doyle Klaassen

Kaffee Gemeinshaft (nach dem englischen

Gottesdienst)

Sunday, October 4, 2020 Clearbrook MB Church



These Sunday services will be available on Television and the Clearbrook MB Website

9:00 am German Worship Service 10:00 am Family Worship Service

Pastoral Team

Scott & Miriam Tolhurst
Walter & Edith Wiens
George & Mary Baier
Fred & Hani Ekkert

Glorifying God, Building the Church, Reaching the World.



Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm (closed at noon for one hour)

Family Worship Service

10:00 am

Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them - not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock.

1 Peter 5:2-3



Prelude:

Wes Heinrichs

INVOCATION/WELCOME:

Pastor Scott

HYMNS: W

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The Old Rugged Cross Calvary Covers It All

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Scott

SPECIAL #:

Calvary Medley

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Pastor Walter

Message:

"A Word to the Elders"

1 Peter 5:1-5

Pastor Scott

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Pastor Walter

Pastor Scott

Hans and Alice Federau

Special #: Humble King

COMMUNION

BENEDICTION:

HYMN: At Calvary

All Sunday Services & Wednesday Bible Studies are Transmitted on Television and Livestream

To watch our Church Services - go to the Clearbrook MB Church Website and click on Watch Live.

Opportunities to Encourage & Connect

Sundays - Coffee after English service Tuesdays - 2 pm beginning October 6



Bound for God and Glory by Pastor Scott

As reported in the *New York Times* last week, there are now flights that go nowhere. Various airlines in Brunei, Japan and Australia are selling tickets for flights that take off and land in the same place. They range in length from a couple of hours to more lengthy excursions - but they all have this in common. You don't get anywhere. Like stationary bikes of the sky, you begin and end with no ground gained. You get the experience of flying - the boarding, safety demonstration, cramped seating and an inflight meal - but that is all. You might think that flights which go nowhere are cheaper, but Australian tickets range from \$600 -\$2,700! And the flights are sold out! Clearly the idea originated from desperate marketing departments during this COVID crisis. But who knew that it would catch on? Apparently some are content with an experience of flight rather than reaching any particular destination. And if you think that odd, consider church and your own spiritual pilgrimage.

Most congregations work hard at providing an experience of faith. The Sunday services are shaped with music, preaching, fellowship and potlucks which seek to convey the reality of faith. We invite towards a religious experience. But the experience of church is not the same thing as making headway in our faith. Our Christian faith is not simply a religious experience, but we are to actually go someplace! The markers of progress are given to us. Paul worked to present everyone mature in Christ (Col.1:28). He longed to see Jesus fully formed in each (Gal.4:19). He trusted the Spirit of God to move us from glory to glory (2 Cor.3:18). In other words, if all of our religious activity doesn't take us anywhere, then we have the experience of faith, but remain the same. It may be costly. It might satisfy our craving for activity. It could soothe us with elements we find familiar. But the question stands, "Am I moving towards Jesus, with Jesus and for Jesus? Or am I simply enjoying a religious ride and landing in the same place?

It would be easy to fault airlines for gimmicky tactics. They created the flight experience to offset COVID losses. Christians have suffered as well in this pandemic. We have lost the normal experience of church because of social distancing. But our loss may point us to gains. The shedding of our usual Church experience leaves us facing the essentials of faith. Our faith is about Christ, in Christ and for Christ. Our faith is to shape us, move us and ground us in love with our Lord. Such faith is supported by our Church experiences but it is not dependent upon them. We are pilgrims - that is, travelers of faith. The experience of a journey that drops us in the same place, is no journey at all. God has more for us.

Upper Room

- Unser Täglich Brot Oktober/November/Dezember
- Unser Täglich Brot Oktober Groβdruck
- Our Daily Bread September/October/November
- Our Daily Bread October/November/Dec Large Print
- Today September/October
- October Bridge
- Daily Prayer Guide: Multiply September 2020
- Inspirational Cards

New Home Address

Cecile Friesen - # 212 Tabor Manor 31950 Sunrise Cres. Abbotsford, BC V2T1N5 Lindsay & Martha Chambers - 207 - 26 Azure Whitehorse, Yukon Territory Y1A 6E1 867-332-7205

- New Sunday Morning Service Time: The English Sunday morning service will be moved from 10:00 am to 10:15 am beginning on Sunday, November 1.
 - This is also the Sunday our clocks "fall" back.
- * Thanksgiving Food Donations: Please bring nonperishable food on Friday, October 9. All the food will be given to the Teen Challenge Women's Center
- ★ Church Council is proposing the motion to call **George Baier** to the position of Associate Pastor responsible for the German Ministry. Members are asked to vote by completing ballots - after Sunday morning services on October 4, 11, 18, 25 or in the office.
- ⋆ Details provided in insert.

Phone Directory: We are doing our best to keep an updated list of who is in our church family. Our goal is to provide a new phone directory by mid-October. Check preliminary copy in the office or call to confirm your information.

Church Photo Album - We will be taking pictures again for our photo album on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. Call or come to the church to sign up for a time slot. 9 AM-12 PM. No cost to you...FREE!

Financial Update

Last Sunday, September 27, 2020 our offering total was \$7,810.00. This brings our 2020 adjusted contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$399,504.72. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2020 is approximately \$45,000 each month. Given that the Budget contribution needs for the nine months is \$405,000.00 we are \$5,495.28 short as of September 30, 2020. Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.