

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Abbotsford Regional Hospital - **Jake (Mary) Janzen** doing a little better.

Maple Ridge Hospital - **Victor (Jean) Ritchie**

Mission Hospital: **Gerhard (Martha) Rutsch**

Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell - pray for patience and peace as she waits for further chemo treatments.

Joel Chambers - son of **Martha & Lindsay Chambers** - check page 12 in the Bridge for an extensive update.

Thank you for praying for **Glen Klassen**, brother of **Les Klassen** - he is doing well and the treatments have gone well.

Notes of Sympathy

Our deepest prayer and love are with **Evelyn Hazenberg** whose father, **Frank Suderman**, passed away on Wednesday, November 25 in Tabor Home.

Erna Wall sister of **Lena Regier**, aunt to **Werner (Betty) Schroeder** passed away Tuesday, November 17, 2020.

Hans (Ursula) Enns passed away Monday, November 23, 2020

Kathie Janzen passed away Wednesday, November 25, 2020.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

New Home Addresses

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THIS WEEK

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

Today *9:00 am Pastor George
*10:15 am Pastor Scott

Tuesday 9:00 am Church Council - via ZOOM
(Please pick up reports in office)

Wednesday *9:00 am German Bible Study
*10:00 am English Bible Study

Sunday, December 6, 2020

*9:00 am Pastor George
*10:15 am Pastor Scott

*** for now only on TV and On Line**

Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

*„Meine Schafe hören meine Stimme, und ich kenne sie, und sie folgen mir; und ich gebe ihnen ewiges Leben, und sie werden nimmermehr umkommen, und niemand wird sie aus meiner Hand reißen.“
Johannes 10:27-28*

Vorspiel:

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor George

Gesang: Tochter Zion
60 Wie soll ich Dich empfangen

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet Pastor George

Gesang: # 62 Auf, Seele, auf und säume nicht

Botschaft: „Das zukünftige Heil“

Amos 9:7-15 Pastor George

Schlusslied: # 555 O Gott, sei gelobt!

DIESE WOCHE

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

Mittwoch *9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde
*10:00 Uhr Englische Bibelstunde

Dienstag 9:00 Uhr Vorberat über ZOOM

Nächsten Sonntag, den 6. December, 2020

*9:00 Uhr Pastor George

*10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

*** Nur über Fernseh (TV) und Computer übertragen**

Sunday, November 29, 2020
Clearbrook MB Church



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

9:00 am German Worship Service

10:15 am Family Worship Service

Pastoral Team

Scott & Miriam Tolhurst

Walter & Edith Wiens

George & Mary Baier

Fred & Hani Ekkert

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

Family Worship Service

10:15 am

*For He that is
Mighty hath done
to me great things
And holy is His
name.
Luke 1:49*



PRELUDE:	Wes Heinrichs
INVOCATION/WELCOME:	Pastor George
HYMNS:	O Come, O Come Emmanuel Come Thou Long Expected Jesus
QUARTET:	Break Forth O Beauteous Heavenly Light
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	Pastor Walter
MUSICAL MEDITATION	Wes Heinrichs
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:	Pastor George
QUARTET:	Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming
MESSAGE:	"The Magnificat" Luke 1:46-56 Pastor Scott
HYMN:	To God Be the Glory
BENEDICTION:	Pastor Scott

All Sunday Services and 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.



Advent, Always on Time by Pastor Scott

I started playing Christmas music this week. If you knew me well, you'd be surprised. Frankly it's not my favourite genre. I don't refer to the grand church music which declares joyous news. But the ditties of the season echoed in the malls, bounce off me. I've had my fill of reindeer, snowmen and a jolly polar elf put to music. This year I've made one exception and that is the song I've been replaying this week. I was 6 when I first heard it done by Alvin and the Chipmunks as a novelty song. (I do not recommend it!) I heard it again this year, sung by an adult for adults - but sung for adults in need.

The title is, "Christmas Don't Be Late."*It speaks of the coming of Christmas. The lyric reveals wishful hopes and the tension of waiting. It questions the stretched patience of the singer and pleads that Christmas would come on time. (It always has!) You might guess that the stress of waiting is simply pent up excitement. But a careful account of the stanzas reveals something deeper.

A brother has been sad for too long. The soup pot has been more empty than normal. The face and voice of mom and dad have been joyless. There are memories to hold but the days lack cheer and hope. There isn't enough laughter. So it's obvious why the song asks Christmas to hurry up. It's more than childish goosebumps. It is a void of life that needs replenished. You can see why I have been playing the song.

I notice that people have been putting up their trees and lights earlier this year. It's as if they want to hasten the celebration of the season. They are unwilling, if not unable to wait. The days upon us are heavy. The spirits of many need cheering. While Christmas is not very far away, the need for a song is today! The time of joy is now! The song understands the Christmas comfort and happiness, healing and hope. If there is an advent - let it be now!

*Christmas, Christmas-time is here
Time for memories, time for tears
Comfort those who need a friend
Fill their hearts with happiness
May they know He came for them
Oh Christmas, where you been?*

And tucked in the middle of the tuneful plea is the line of grace. "May they know He came for them..." That is the gift of Christmas! Jesus has come for each one of us. He comes to where we are. He brings all that we need for head, heart and hand. Forgiveness, courage, endurance, love, presence, hope. The advent of Jesus is continual, not seasonal. The coming of Jesus timely, never tardy. So in singing the song, I voice my prayer. I admit my need.

*Christmas come, please don't be late,
Oh please don't be late
Christmas come, the World cannot wait,
Please don't be late.*

* I recommend the Rosie Thomas rendition!

Upper Room

- Unser Täglic Brot - Oktober/November/Dezember
- Unser Täglic Brot - Dezember Großdruck
- Our Daily Bread - September/October/November
- Our Daily Bread - January, February, March Large Print
- Today - November/December
- December Bridge
- Daily Prayer Guide: Multiply - December 2020
- Inspirational Cards

Phone Directories: Are ready to be picked up from the office.

Christmas Presence: Ladies Fellowship

We regret to announce that we need to **CANCEL** this special Christmas event because of the increased COVID 19 directives. May God's presence be felt by each of us - particularly the women who were looking forward to this celebration. You are welcome to give donations for the LifeHaven Women's Support Ministry - either give directly or through our church.

As directed by our provincial health authorities, we are suspending attendance to our worship services until further notice. Our Sunday services and weekly Bible studies will continue to be broadcast on TV and our Website. We share your sense of disappointment but trust in the care of God for us - body and soul. God remains in our midst. Peace

2020 Advent Devotionals - "As we Wait - Essential Texts for Christmas."

Twenty Seven devotionals - based on Biblical Texts - the Scriptures that seem to point most directly to the magnitude of the Christ Child's birth. This devotional booklet is available in print in the Upper Room or directly from the MB Seminary website, and click on "sign up for our Daily Devotions."

Financial Update

Last Sunday, November 22, 2020 our offering total was \$2,310. This brings our 2020 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$482,487.02. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2020 is approximately \$45,000 each month. Given that the Budget needs for the eleven months is \$495,000 we are **\$12,512.98** short as at November 22, 2020. This means that we still need \$12,512.98 to balance the Budget contribution commitment as at November 30, 2020. Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.