

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Abbotsford Hospital - Gunther Eberhardt
Langley Hospital - Martha Van Bergen,
Susan (Jacob) Paetkau
Peace Arch Hospital - Anne Braun

Walter & Carol Edwards - both at home
Erika (John) Klassen - severe health struggles
Frank (Ruth G.) Klassen - broken hip; recovering at home
Jutti Neufeld - is at home recovering from a fracture.
Lena Regier - moved to Menno Hospital

Notes of Sympathy



George (Herta) Loewen, passed away on April 22, 2021.
 The Graveside Service took place on Thursday, April 29.

The link to view Gerhard Henry Loewen's service is:

legacystreaming.com/dignity-abbotsford/

A full service with additional material will be available on our church Livestream and our TV at a later date.

Jake Isaac of Sherwood Park, AB, brother to **Art Isaac** and **Kay Thiessen**, passed away on Friday, April 23.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

THIS WEEK

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

Today *9:00 am Johannes Stolz
 *10:15 am Pastor Scott

Wednesday *9:00 am German Bible Study
 *10:00 am English Bible Study
 Psalms 70 & 71

Sunday, May 9, 2021

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

*** for now only on TV and Online**

Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

*„Wer Vater oder Mutter mehr liebt als MICH,
 der ist MEINER nicht wert.“*

Matthäus 10:37a

Vorspiel:

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor Fred

Gesang: # 43 Von allen Himmeln tönt Dir, Herr
 # 42 Herr! Dir ist niemand zu vergleichen

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet Pastor Fred

Gesang: # 264 Selig ist's, dem Herrn vertrauen

Botschaft: „Mütter sind manchmal in Gefahr“
 Richter 17:1-13 Johannes Stolz

Schlusslied: # 264 Selig ist's, dem Herrn vertrauen

DIESE WOCHE

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

Heute *9:00 Uhr Pr. Johannes Stolz
 *10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

Mittwoch *9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde-Doyle Klaassen
 *10:00 Uhr Englische Bibelstunde-Pastor Walter
 Psalms 70 u. 71

Nächsten Sonntag, den 9. Mai, 2021

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

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

Sunday, May 2, 2021
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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“And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.” 1 Thessalonians 2:13

- PRELUDE: Doug Johnson
- INVOCATION/WELCOME: Pastor Walter
- HYMNS: Wonderful Words of Life
Thy Word
God’s Word Shall Stand
- ANNOUNCEMENTS: Lorraine Dick
- MUSICAL MEDITATION: Break Thou the Bread of Life
Doug Johnson
- HYMN: Ancient Words
- MESSAGE: “The Word Spoken - The Word Heard”
1 Thessalonians 2:1-16 Pastor Scott
- HYMN: Jesus, Word of God Incarnate
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor Scott
- COMMUNION Pastor Scott
- ORGAN MUSIC: Jesus Paid it All Doug Johnson
- HYMN: Hallelujah, What a Saviour
- BENEDICTION: Pastor Scott

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



The Later Struggles by Scott Tolhurst

The parable of the Prodigal Son seems straightforward. A young man grabs his inheritance too early and scatters it among friends with parties and pleasure. Eventually, the money and the party ends. Impoverished in every way, he chooses to return to his father - even as a servant. His father sees him from afar, runs towards an embrace and proclaims one more party; a celebration to welcome his son back home! You know the story well. But like values hidden deep in the sock drawer, you have to sort through the obvious to find what’s important. While we focus on the repentant son, Jesus highlighted the compliant older brother. He’s the one who has been doing what is right, but grumbles to his father that he is not getting his share.

Parables have an ability to shift their shape and offer insight with new forms. Ronald Rolheiser takes this story and casts it as a model of discipleship for us all. In “Sacred Fire” he suggests that the younger brother is similar to the discipleship of our youth. We learn to tame our impulses, choose friends wisely, be patient for reward and follow the better values of life. Eventually we learn gratitude for home. These are lessons and gains discovered in the first stage of our years. But, Rolheiser proposes that many morph from being the younger brother to the older one. They have wrestled with glittering temptations and become the responsible, reliable older brother - but with deep regret, even bitterness. They thought life would have more for them. They did what is right but seem to miss out on the party. They live with disappointment, disillusionment and anger. They have not received what they believe is deserved. In a word, they have a complaint against the Father.

A young monk sat before his senior, looking for wisdom. He asks, “Do you still wrestle with the Devil?” The mature one replies, “Not any longer my child. I have grown old and now I wrestle with God.” I suspect many of you understand that. There is a time in life when we battle the Devil’s allurements towards youthful extravagance. But even when that warfare diminishes towards detente, another conflict awaits. This time we wrestle with the mystery and ways of God. Like the older brother, we grumble that God hasn’t granted what we know we deserve. Our righteous investment ought to bring us a return. When we don’t get what we expect, resentment grows towards the Father. This clash is not as obvious as our youthful struggle, but that’s what makes it dangerous. Bitterness hides below the surface. Regret taints our perception of life and of our Lord. We’re too proper to voice it, but it’s shaping our heart. But take heart. In our youthful combats the strategy is to resist. In our later collisions with God, we take a different tack. Now we surrender. As the young monk responds, “You wrestle with God! Do you hope to win?” Wisdom answers, “I hope to lose.”

- Unser Tglich Brot - April / Mai / Juni
- Unser Tglich Brot - Mai Grodruck
- Our Daily Bread - March / April / May
- Our Daily Bread Large Print - April / May / June
- Today - May / June
- May Bridge
- May Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - Canada Watch, Love is Moving & Faith Today

Note of Thanks

Thank you for prayers for James. We thank God for a caring, loving church that knows how to pray. God indeed is our Healer! God bless you! Kay Neufeld & family

DEMENTIA: Living in the Memories of God

Regent College Course, May 10 to 14, 8:30-11:30 AM

This course will answer the question,

“Where is God in Dementia?”

Taught by Dr. John Swinton - minister, mental health nurse, theologian and hospital chaplain.

Contact Lorraine Dick or Pastor Walter for details about the course. Registration is through Regent College. Have your registration at the church office by 10 AM tomorrow, May 3, and Pastor Walter will deliver them to Regent College. We look forward to hosting 10 people in the Upper Room.

New Address

Bob & Violet Sieb, #444 - 309 Guildford Way,
Coquitlam BC V3B 7W8
Same Phone #: 604-464-2142, 778-222-2142

Financial Update

Last Sunday, April 25, 2021 our offering total was \$9180.00. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$162,110.73. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Given this we are \$25,889.27 short for the four months ending April 30, 2021. Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.