#### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

Abbotsford Hospital: Erkia (John) Klassen,

June (Neil) Klassen

Langley Hospital: Leni (Peter) Derksen

Peace Arch Hospital: Martha Rutsch - recovering from

surgery on her leg

**Ben Baier** - will be having an operation on Monday, July 5 **Tina** (Helmut) **Bittner** - very poor, pray that she may go to her Heavenly Father.

Elsie (Bauch) Coolen - has brain tumour.

**Eunice** (Bill) **Hiebert** - had knee surgery Wednesday **Susan** (Jacob) **Paetkau** - at home in Primrose Gardens

Louise Willms - recovering at home in Menno Terrace East

# Note of Sympathy

Laura DeFehr of Tabor Home, aunt of Eldon & Myrna DeFehr, died on Friday, June 25. A family graveside service will be held on Saturday, July 17, 2021.

Our sincere condolences to family and friends

# Notes of Thanks

A big thank you for your love, prayers, phone calls, cards, and flowers at the passing away of Elizabeth Wiens, our sister and sister-in-law.

Annie Penner & Elizabeth Kornelson

#### THIS WEEK

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

**Today** 9:00 am Pastor George

10:15 am Pastor Scott

**Wednesday** 9:00 am No German in-person Bible Study

10:00 am No English in-person Bible Study

In-person Bible Studies will resume in September. Previous Bible Studies will be shown on our TV Station throughout the summer at the regular times. All previous Bible Studies are available anytime on Livestream.

Sunday, July 11, 2021

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

**English & German Services are open to the Congregation.** 

# Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

"Freuet euch in dem Herrn allewege, und abermals sage ich: Freuet euch! Eure Güte last kund sein allen Menschen! Der Herr ist nahe!" Philipper 4:4-5

Vorspiel:

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor George

Gesang: Jesus, Freude uns'res Leben

In Dir ist Freude

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet: Pastor George

Gesang: Freue dich und glaube fest

Botschaft: "Wahre Freude"

Philipper Brief Pastor George

Schlusslied: Freue dich und glaube fest

## **DIESE WOCHE**

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

**Heute** 9:00 Uhr Pastor George

10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

**Mittwoch** 9:00 Uhr Keine live Deutsche Biblestunden

10:00 Uhr Keine live Englische Biblestunden

Im September werden die live Bibelstunden fortgesetzt. Frühere Bibelstunden werden den ganzen Sommer über, zu den regulären Zeiten, auf unserem Fernsehsender gezeigt.

Nächsten Sonntag, den 11. Juli, 2021

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

Deutsche und Englische Gottesdienste sind für die Besucher offen.

# Sunday, July 4, 2021 Clearbrook MB Church



## Sunday

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

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

10:15 am

I rejoiced with those who said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."

Psalm 122:1



PRELUDE: Wes Heinrichs

INVOCATION/WELCOME: Pastor Scott

HYMNS: Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus Jesus Shall Reign

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Walter

MUSICAL MEDITATION: The Old Rugged Cross Made The Difference

Wes Heinrichs

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor George

SOLO: Lamb of Glory Cathy Merkel

MESSAGE: "A Come Back Song"

Psalm 126 Pastor Scott

HYMN: Hallelujah, What a Saviour!

COMMUNION: Pastor Scott

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION: Wes Heinrichs

DOXOLOGY: Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Benediction: Pastor Scott

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



Didn't See That Coming by Scott Tolhurst

Life is a braiding of the expected and the unexpected. I expect the sun will rise but I can't be sure what the day will hold. There can be a surprise around any corner. Not every surprise comes with balloons and cake! The unexpected can be something you'd cross the street to avoid, but it comes to meet you. A year ago, I joined the "1 in 9" club of Canadian men diagnosed with prostate cancer. Out of the smorgasbord of choices, prostate cancer is not the worst scenario. It is slow growing, readily treated and often symptom free. My doctor advised that we "watch and wait" - great by me! A second biopsy changed our casual approach. I now had to choose a path of invasive treatment. Every cancer patient knows, while treatment is effective, it is not benign. As one doctor put it, "Radiation or surgery, pick your poison." So, I am now on a surgery list waiting for a phone call.

Why am I writing about this? There are practical reasons. A time will come in the fall, when I have to play hooky from church. You now know why. But this is more than a doctor's note of absence. I write to a praying people. Your heartfelt support before God's throne is both potent and welcome. I write with growing empathy for those who are way ahead of me in this. Many of you have heard a doctor's clinical voice and experienced the gauntlet of treatment. Ultimately, I write because I am a walking billboard.

Paul says that every one of us is a living letter (2 Cor. 3:2-3). The Spirit of God is writing the story of Jesus in our lives. He is at work in every moment and all circumstance. God's message isn't confined to Sunday places or to the happy spaces in our days. His narrative is proclaimed by what we say and the volume increases by who we are. Despite our preference for privacy, we are like animated emails read by all. Reality leaks through our attitudes, actions and demeanour. So, if I am silent about God working in my life, I muffle the message. I prefer the clarity of words to articulate the truth of God's work within. What do I want to declare?

First, that God is good and worthy of trust. Cancer doesn't change that. It doesn't ruin the story of His favour. I have been graced with so much good health, I've taken it for granted. I have no protest if a small shower drops on my sunshine days.

Second, the posture of surrender can't simply be mouthed, it is to be lived. In faith, I gave Jesus my life decades ago. He has never failed in His stewardship of my soul and body. His Hands and Heart are filled with grace. For encouragement, the doctor smothered me with optimistic statistics of life and health following treatment. I smiled. Jesus holds the fullness of life, not percentages. I trust Him.

# Upper Room

- Unser Täglich Brot Juli / August / September
- Unser Täglich Brot Juli Groβdruck
- Our Daily Bread June / July / August
- Our Daily Bread Large Print Jul / Aug / Sep
- Today July / August
- July Bridge
- July Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada Canada Watch

# Please note that Headphones are available at the Information Centre in the church foyer.

# Come to the Table August 8, 2021 - 6 pm

A evening with a light supper and conversation.

#### Live Seminar coming...

#### COVID Tips and Tools for Your Self-Care Toolbox Tuesday, August 10, 10:00 AM

We have lived through Covid-19 restrictions for the last 15 months. While restrictions are loosening, it is time to start talking about what this pandemic has done to us and how we have responded to it. Cyndi MacLoed, of the Abbotsford Hospice Society, will be the presenter. She will help us look at the impact of Covid-19 on us and on our society. We will not go back to what was. We are facing a new future. What does that look like and how do I fit into it?

#### **Financial Update**

Last Sunday, June 27, 2021, our offering total was \$6,925.00. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$257,836.97. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Given this we are \$24,163.03 short as at June 30, 2021, to balance for the six months. *Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.*