

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**Abbotsford Hospital** - Ben Loewen, Martha Rutsch  
**Mission Hospital** - Sara Unger  
**Oxford House** - Margaret Funk

**Anne Dueck** - diagnosed with cancer  
**Kay** (Henry) **Dyck** - please pray about difficult health issues  
**Erika** (John) **Klassen** - at home  
**Neil & Ann Matthies** - recovering at home  
**Rita Wiens** - home from hospital but declining  
**Walter** (Betty) **Wienss** - is diagnosed with cancer



## THIS WEEK

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

**Today** 9:00 am Doyle Klaassen  
 On Livestream and TV only  
 10:15 am Pastor Scott - Communion

**Monday** Office Closed

**Wednesday** 9:00 am German Meeting  
 10:00 am English Bible Study Psalm 94

**Sunday, January 9, 2022**

9:00 am Doyle Klaassen  
 10:15 am Pastor Scott

In place of the German Bible Study, Pastor Scott invites the German Speaking Congregation, **Wednesday, January 5 at 9 am**, to discuss the future of the German speaking ministries.

## Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

*„Und Simeon...sprach zu Maria, seiner Mutter: Siehe dieser ist gesetzt...zu einem Zeichen, dem widersprochen wird - aber auch dir selbst wird ein Schwert durch die Seele dringen.“ Lukas 2:34-35*

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: „Von der Krippe zum Kreuz“  
 Pr. Doyle Klaassen

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 Doyle Klaassen - Nur für TV und Livestream gestaltet und ausgestrahlt.  
 10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott - das Abendmahl

**Montag** Büro geschlossen

**Mittwoch** 9:00 Uhr Deutsche Versammlung  
 10:00 Uhr English Bibelstunde Psalm 94

**Sonntag, den 9. Januar, 2022**

9:00 Uhr Doyle Klaassen  
 10:15 Uhr Pastor Scott

Am **Mittwoch den 4. Januar, 9 Uhr** ladet Pastor Scott die deutschsprechende Mitgliedschaft ein, um die Zukunft der deutschen Versammlungen durchzusprechen.

## Sunday, January 2, 2022 Clearbrook MB Church



## Sunday

9:00 am German Worship Service  
 10:15 am Family Worship Service

## Pastoral Team

Scott & Miriam Tolhurst  
 Walter & Edith Wiens  
 Fred & Hani Ekkert

*Glorifying God, Building the Church, Reaching the World.*




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

*“Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice! Strive for full restoration, encourage one another, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.” 2 Corinthians 13:11*



- PRELUDE:

Doug Johnson
- WELCOME:

Pastor Scott
- HYMNS:

# 168 Who is He in Yonder Stall?

# 98 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name

# 234 Crown Him with Many Crowns
- ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pastor Scott
- MUSICAL MEDITATION:

Wonderful Peace

Doug Johnson/Eldon McBride
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

Pastor Fred
- HYMN:

# 381 Open My Eyes, That I May See
- MESSAGE:

“Take the Test”

2 Corinthians 13:1-14

Pastor Scott
- QUARTET:

From the Cradle To the Cross
- COMMUNION:
- HYMN:

Thank You Lord for Saving My Soul
- BENEDICTION:

Pastor Scott

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



Reaching in the Dark by Pastor Scott

I have a morning ritual. After showering the night off of me, I take my coffee and toast to the den to begin my day. At 5:30 am, the den is dark. I read from my devices and have no need for lights. I prefer the silence of shadow. I do need my coffee, so before dawn I sip and read. The time is peaceful and quiet, most of the time. But there is flaw. I like to place my coffee on the side table and I habitual find my target. But habits can be broken. Blindly, I extended my arm to place my coffee down and released it into thin air. The calm was shattered by the flood of caffeine, an emergent glare of light and lots of paper towels. But here is what matters. I have had this same mishap three times. Three times I have missed the table. Three times the chair, carpet and flooring have been baptized. And three times I have told myself that this is the last time!

Before you offer wise advice about putting the table closer, it would be helpful to consider the root problem. Anyone can have an accident, but the repetition of the same problem suggests a measure of delusion. I am deluded to think that I can perform my ritual and maintain my environment perfectly. We all want things a certain way and feel confident in our ability to achieve and maintain it just so. But humans are prone to mishaps. We are often the reason our best intentions are not played out as we want. I am also deluded thinking that I’ve learned from my mistake. The first time I missed the table I thought, “I will never do that again!” I reminded myself to set the mug with care. But repeating the mistake and then making a trinity of the same error, proves that knowing it could happen and trying to prevent it from happening - doesn’t mean it won’t. And that is my third delusion. Knowing I didn’t prevent a caffeine splash in the dark three times, doesn’t dissuade my confidence that a fourth occurrence is impossible. I will keep you posted.

You are thinking, if not yelling at these paragraphs, “Just turn on a light!” And you would be right. Illumination would reduce, if not prevent my stumbling in the dark. It sounds so simple. It makes me wonder why we all don’t do it. “*Thy Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*” (Ps. 119:105) God knows that there is darkness around us and within. He has graced us with truth undimmed and His Spirit as our Guide. We have just exited a year sprinkled with past failures or regrets. If we step into a new year confident we won’t make the same mistakes, we are stumbling in the dark of delusion. Better to stand in the Light. His Word and Voice are trustworthy to start our day - to start our year.

Upper Room & Some in Foyer

- Unser Täglich Brot - Januar / Februar / März
- Unser Täglich Brot - Januar Großdruck
- Our Daily Bread - December / January / February
- Our Daily Bread large print- January / February / March
- Today - January / February
- January Bridge
- January Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Christmas Cards & Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - Faith Today
- MCC - 2021 Christmas Giving Guide
- Christmas Booklets
- 2022 Calendars from MCC

Check Your Mailbox!

There are **Photo Album Updates** and a **Staff Christmas Card** to pick up.  
*Thank you and a Blessed New Years to you and yours!*

Advance Care Planning Seminar  
Tuesday, January 25, 2022, 10 am

Watch this seminar on Livestream or church TV.  
Our presenter will be: **Emily Anderson**, Barrister & Solicitor at Linley Welwood, focusing on Family Law Mediation and Wills and Estates.



**Mennonite Disaster Service Sumas Flood Relief Update:**  
**\$39,000.00** has been raised as of December 24, 2021.

Financial Update

Last Sunday, December 26, 2021, our offering total was \$14,360.00. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$570,484.30. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Given this we have met our budget commitment for the twelve months ending December 2021.  
*Thank you for your faithful giving this year!*