

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell - Please pray for the family as a second cancer has been diagnosed and Marilyn is on chemo. Pray that she may go into remission.

Elizabeth Kornelsen - Is in rehab at Peach Arch Hospital in White Rock for a broken hip

Notes of Sympathy

Kris (Daryl) Isaac, stepdaughter-in-law of Rosa Isaac, passed away on Sunday, July 17, 2022.

Our sincere condolences to Rosa, family and friends.



PASTOR WALTER'S VACATION

Pastor Walter and Edith are on holidays from Tuesday, July 26 through Friday August 5 - camping with family in Alberta.

Thank you for your prayers



THIS WEEK

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

Today 9:00 am German Service on CFEG TV & Livestream only

10:15 am Don Petker

Monday 3:33 pm Call for Prayer

Wednesday 9:00 am German Bible Study

10:00 am English Bible Study

Previous recordings during July & August will be on TV only

Sunday, July 31, 2022

9:00 am German Service on CFEG TV & Livestream only

10:15 am Don Petker

Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

*„Denn Gott versöhnte in Christus die Welt mit ihm selber
und rechnete ihnen ihre Sünden nicht zu und
hat unter uns aufgerichtet das Wort
von der Versöhnung.
2 Korinther 5:19*

Deutscher Gottesdienst nur im Fernsehen CFEG,
und auf unserer Website zu sehen

Gottesdienst vom 25. Juli, 2021

Begrüßung und Gebet:

Pastor George

Gesang: # 297 Wie glücklich ist, Herr Jesu Christ
264 Selig ist's, dem Herrn vertrauen
234 Ein reines Herz, Herr, schaff in mir

Botschaft: „Gott erscheint als Richter“
Micha 1:5-16

Pastor George

Schlusslied: # 234 Ein reines Herz, Herr, schaff in mir

DIESE WOCHE

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

Heute 9:00 Uhr Deutscher Gottesdienst nur im Fernsehen CFEG, und auf unserer Website zu sehen
10:15 Uhr Don Petker

Montag 3:33 Uhr Aufruf zum Gebet

Mittwoch 9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde

10:00 Uhr Englische Bibelstunde

Wiederholungen werden nur über Fernsehen übertragen

Nächsten Sonntag, 31. Juli, 2022

9:00 Uhr Deutscher Gottesdienst nur im Fernsehen CFEG, und auf unserer Website zu sehen

10:15 Uhr Don Petker

Sunday, July 24, 2022 Clearbrook MB Church



Sunday

9:00 am German Worship

Broadcast by Livestream and TV

10:15 am Family Worship Service

Pastoral Team

Walter & Edith Wiens

Fred & Hani Ekkert

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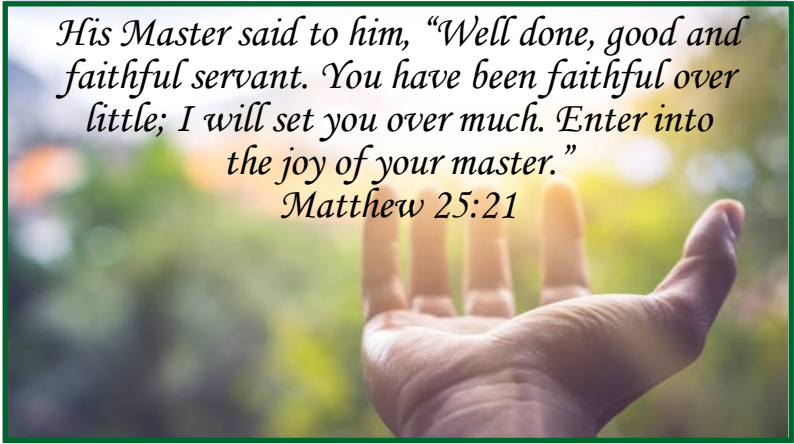
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Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm (closed at noon for one hour)

Family Worship Service10:15 am

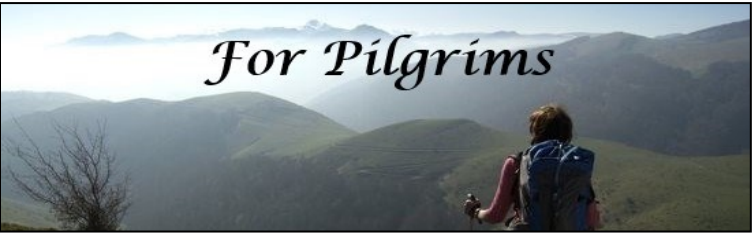


- SINGING PRELUDE:D’Friesens
- INVOCATION/WELCOME:Pastor Fred
- HYMNS: # 18 Come, We That Love the Lord
88 Fairest Lord Jesus
- ANNOUNCEMENTS:Pastor Walter
- INTERVIEW: *D’Friesens MissionPastor Fred
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:Lorraine Dick
- MUSIC:D’Friesens
- MESSAGE: “What is That in Your Hand?”Don Petker
Exodus 3 & 4
- HYMN: Little Is Much
- BENEDICTION:Pastor Walter

*Donations for this Low German Ministry may be given through Multi-nation Mission Foundation or through our church.

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.



I’m Greatly Oppressed - Psalm 129 by Pastor Walter



In the “For Pilgrims” article last week I remarked how God blessed four individuals whose memorials we held in the previous week. However, an honest recollection of memories will include not only when a person is blessed and all seems to be pleasant, but also difficult, discouraging times, and even times of oppression. To illustrate this we need only read the history of God’s people - a summary is in Hebrews 11.

The Bible records two seemingly opposite experiences of God’s people: **First:** “Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.” Psalm 90:1, 2 **Second:** “They have greatly oppressed me from my youth - let Israel say.” Psalm 129:1. “O LORD, remember David and all the hardships he endured.” Psalm 131:1. How do we want to remember our past? How do we remember God in our past?

The psalmists looked back and saw both:

- from everlasting to everlasting God is God.
- from his youth he was greatly oppressed.

When we visit a museum of a city, province or country, what do we look for? Whereas most cities and nations look back and remember what they have **achieved**, Israel looked back on what she had **survived**. The psalmist in Psalm 129 calls us to a God-perspective that is more in line with the experience of those who follow God than what we want to admit to. We may believe that when we follow God he owes us a calm, prosperous and blessed life - as Psalm 128 presents. But this is the furthest from biblical teaching. The Power of Positive thinking may be popular American and even Canadian evangelical Christian thinking. Yes, we visited the Crystal Cathedral in Anaheim. I have been inspired by the books written by Robert Schuller. But we need to ask whether his emphasis lines up with the comprehensive teaching of the Bible. On closer examination, the history of God’s people is more in line with what is portrayed in John Foxe’s **Book of Martyrs** and John Bunyan’s **Pilgrim’s Progress**.

Yet the word of hope in the recollection of martyred worshippers of God, beginning with Abel, throughout all history, and even today, is the declaration, “**But** the LORD is righteous.” (Psalm 129:4). We may be “greatly oppressed” – just as the psalmist was. The Apostle Paul’s life bounced from adversity to persecution and back to adversity. His account in 2 Corinthians 11:23-29 fits with the believers in Hebrews 11:32–40, and the writer of Psalm 129. But God sticks with his people. He is righteous and therefore he will redress wrong. This gives hope to persevere – to keep meeting together and looking to Jesus. (Hebrews 10:19-25; 13:1-3; 12:1-12).

- Upper Room & Some in Foyer
- Unser Tglich Brot - Juli / August / September
 - Unser Tglich Brot - Juli Grodruck
 - Our Daily Bread - June / July / August
 - Our Daily Bread large print - July / August / September
 - Today - July / August
 - July Bridge
 - July Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
 - Gideon Memorial Cards
 - Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - **Faith Today**

CALL TO PRAYER

We have significant staffing prayer needs in our church. The need for a **pastor to lead our congregation is great.** Three other staffing changes:

1. Care Ministry Assistant
2. Administrative Assistant
3. New Horizons for Seniors Grant Position

We invite you to covenant to pray together at the same time, but not meeting together. We are asking God to bring the right persons to us.

Prayer Time every Monday, 3:33 p.m.

In an effort to facilitate closer communication between our church leadership and our congregation, our Church Council Leadership Team chairman, Don Balzer, will be in the church office on every Monday from 9 am to 4 pm. He welcomes anyone who has ideas, concerns or needs or just wants to chat or pray to call or just drop in. His church office phone number 604–850-6607.

The Council Leadership Team

Mennonite Central Committee

MCC HUNGER CRISES APPEAL with Canadian Government matching program through the Humanitarian Coalition. MCC participates in the Humanitarian Coalition through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank. MCC Canada has received over \$1.2 million and BC donors have given approximately \$380,000 of this. Our church people have given under \$15,000. Some of our people gave directly on the MCC website. This was given under two weeks - all matched by the Canadian government.

Financial Update

Last Sunday, July 17, 2022, our offering total was \$4,140.00. This brings our 2022 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$317,203.57. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2022 is approximately \$48,000 each month. *Thank you for your faithful giving!*