

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Mission Hospital, Path Unit - **Joy Locken** is still waiting for her transfer to her heavenly home. Larry and family express their thanks for past, present, and future love and prayers.

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

**Erika** (John) **Klassen** - severe health struggles.

### Note of Thanks

**Gerhard** (Martha) **Rutsch** would like to thank the church for your faithful prayers and thoughtfulness over the past weeks and months. Gerhard is feeling much better and was released from the hospital on Friday, February 12th. He is now back with Martha at Menno Terrace East.

**Esther** (Len) **Doerksen** has been diagnosed with lung cancer. Len and I are living in an attitude of complete trust, knowing that our Father has only good in mind for us. Prayers are appreciated.

### Notes of Sympathy

**Liese Giesbrecht** passed away on Saturday, February 6, 2021. Liese is the sister of **Helen** (Jake) **Penner**. Viewing & Burial Service was held on Thursday, February 18, 2021. Broadcasting of services is at a later date.

**June Weir's** burial service, Monday, February 22 at 1 pm.

*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 Pastor George  
\*10:15 am Pastor Scott

**Wednesday** \*9:00 am German Bible Study  
\*10:00 am English Bible Study - Psalm 59

**Sunday, February 28, 2021**

\*9:00 am Pastor George  
\*10:15 am Pastor Scott  
**\* for now only on TV and Online**

## Morgengottesdienst

9:00 Uhr

„Gelobt sei Gott, der Vater unseres  
Herrn Jesus Christus,  
der uns gesegnet hat mit allem geistlichen Segen  
im Himmel durch Christus.“  
Epheser 1.3

Vorspiel:

Begrüßung und Gebet: Pastor George

Gesang: # 16 O, wie freun wir uns der Stunde  
# 17 Willkommen, Tag des Herrn

Bekanntmachungen/Gebet Pastor George

Gesang: # 392 Wach' auf, du Geist der ersten Zeugen

Botschaft: „Fürbitte für die Gemeinde“  
Philipper 1:9-11 Pastor George

Schlusslied: # 392 Wach' auf, du Geist der ersten Zeugen

## DIESE WOCHE

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

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

**Mittwoch** \*9:00 Uhr Deutsche Bibelstunde-Doyle Klaassen  
\*10:00 Uhr Englische Bibelstunde-Pastor Walter  
Psalm 59

**Nächsten Sonntag, den 28. Februar, 2021**

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

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

### New Address

**Victor Ritchie** - # 322 Menno Pavilion, 32943 Marshall Rd.  
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*Sunday, February 21, 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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Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm (closed at noon for one hour)

# Family Worship Service

10:15 am



- PRELUDE: Wes Heinrichs
- INVOCATION/WELCOME: Lorraine Dick
- HYMNS: Hear my Prayer  
Through It All  
I am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus
- ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor George
- HYMN: Does Jesus Care
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor Walter
- HYMN: I Need Thee Every Hour
- MESSAGE: "Wilderness of Temptation"  
Luke 4:1-13 Pastor Scott
- HYMN: Though My Sins be as Scarlet
- BENEDICTION: Pastor Scott

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**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.**



## Spent by Scott Tolhurst

When something is spent, it is gone. Once you've spent \$20, you can't spend it again. You may have another \$20 dollars, but the bill you handed to the cashier can only be exchanged once. It is spent. That holds true for the time you spent waiting for a bus or a match that is lit. You can't get your time back nor can the match be re-lit. They are spent.

We have been wading through a pandemic for more than a year now. We've learned to don a mask, march the right direction down a supermarket aisle, stand a sneeze length distance from strangers and wave to loved ones through a window. Daily reports of infections, deaths and imminent vaccines have become white noise in the background of our lives. We are tired of all of this; and yet it goes on. I whispered to myself this week, that I feel spent. Emptied. Consumed. Exhausted. Drained. Without putting words into your own heart, I imagine many of you feel the same. The demands upon your head and heart, family and routine, expectations and hopes, both frazzle and fragment your internal resources. There is no shame in that, nor should it surprise us. It's a natural and human emotion. Of course we feel spent. But here is a surprise. The word "spent" doesn't fit our situation. It may describe how we feel; it does not define what we are. The adjective "spent" rightly applies to that which cannot be replenished or used again. A candle burnt the bottom. A pencil sharpened to the nub. A match that flares and then flames out. Each has reached the end of its capacity. But even when we reach the limits of our own capacity - we can be renewed.

Hover over Isaiah 40. As the prophet commands, "Behold your God!" Our Lord holds Mt. Everest in His palm. He strides over constellations and galaxies. He shepherds His flock by lifting us in His arms. He is perfect power and strength undiminished by time or effort. He has energy to share. From His infinite resources, He bestows capacity to those who have reached their end. He enables the exhausted to finish the race. He extends patience to meet the demand. He reinvigorates those who are spent.

The prescription for such a remedy is simple. We are to wait upon the Lord. We're to lean upon Him, rather than dredging up the dregs of our soul's best efforts. We are to let Him move first, instead of running ahead with our best plans and agenda. We are to surrender, as a glove to a Hand and allow the motion to be His. In doing so, our strength is renewed. What was spent, is revived. But more, we find ourselves doing what we've never done before! We can run without exhaustion and fly without fatigue. How long will the pandemic last? The experts can only guess. How long can we endure? By our God, as long as infinity and as high as the heavens.

## Upper Room

- Unser Täglich Brot - Januar / Februar / März
- Unser Täglich Brot - Februar Großdruck u. März Großdruck
- Our Daily Bread - March / April / May
- Our Daily Bread - waiting for Large Print
- Today - March/April 2021
- February Bridge
- February Multiply Daily Prayer Guide
- Gideon Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - *Canada Watch, Love is Moving & Faith Today*
- **Daily Bible Reading Plan pamphlet**
- **Menno Place Calendars**

### "All Things New" - 2021 Easter Devotional.

Our MB Biblical Seminary is providing another Easter Devotional. This year the devotionals are based on the complete book of Revelation. The devotions are from February 17 until Easter Sunday, April 4. Pick up a copy of the Easter Devotional - and then let us all read the book of Revelation together.

### AGM was held on Saturday, February 20, 2021

Thank you for participating via Livestream and on TV. Members are invited to vote.

Two **sample ballots** are in the AGM booklet on the last two pages. You will need to come to the office to use two **new** ballots that are provided for voting. You have until Friday, March 5 to vote. If you are **unable** to come to the office to vote please phone our office and we will deliver the ballots to you. *Thank you for your support and prayers as we fulfill God's mission as a church.*

**Donation Receipts:** 2020 Tax Receipts were mailed this week.

### Financial Update

Last Sunday, February 14, 2021 our offering total was \$11,510.00. This brings our 2021 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$68,156.30. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2021 is approximately \$47,000 each month. Thank you for your faithful giving in this difficult time.