

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY

**Sonia Bjorge** - at home, very critical

**Marilyn (Bill) Bramwell** - at home, critical

**Shirley Goertzen** - experiencing much pain, pray for healing of body and spirit

**Susie Harms** - Mission Hospital

**Erika (John) Klassen** - Menno Hospital

**Elizabeth Kornelsen** - Christine Morrison Hospice, Mission

**Erna (Franz) Unger** - at home, but frail

**Louise Wilms** - Langley Lodge

## THIS WEEK

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

**Today** 8:30 am German Alliance Program - CFEG TV  
10:15 am English Worship Service  
Communion

**Tuesday** 3:00 pm Council Meeting

**Wednesday** 9:00 am German Bible Study  
10:00 am English Bible Study - Psalm 119  
Pastor Walter  
7:00 pm Special Congregational Meeting

**Thursday** 7:00 pm Choir Practice

**Sunday, March 12, 2023**

8:30 am German Alliance Program - CFEG TV  
10:15 am English Worship Service - Phil Halvorson

### German Alliance TV broadcast:

A weekly program put together by the three churches, King Road MB Church, Eben-Ezer Mennonite Church and Clearbrook MB Church.

Broadcast Sundays 8:30 am on TV CFEG and also available on our Website under Watch Live.

### Special Congregational Meeting, Wednesday, March 8 @ 7 pm

The council will present a motion to replace the existing elevator. Information regarding cost and installation will be provided as well as a time for comments, questions and suggestions.

### FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

The Monday morning fellowship group will resume meeting in the **Upper Room on March 13 at 10 am**. Newcomers are most welcome. The Tuesday evening and Wednesday afternoon groups will meet this week at their regular times.

**International speaker Thomas Yoder Neufeld, Chair,  
Faith and Life Commission,  
Mennonite World Conference  
will be with us on  
Sunday, March 26.**

***We would love to hear from you! If you have a prayer request, or would like to connect with a pastor, we invite you to take a moment to complete the Communication Card.***

*Sunday, March 5, 2023*  
**Clearbrook MB Church**



**Sunday**

10:15 a.m. Family Worship Service

### Pastoral Team

Don & Lou Petker  
Walter & Edith Wiens  
Fred & Hani Ekkert

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

~Welcome To Our Worship Service~



PRELUDE: Doug Johnson  
WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER: Eldon DeFehr  
HYMNS: # 440 O for a Heart to Praise My God  
SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 6: 14-18 Marilyn Neufeld  
HYMN: # 486 Faith Is the Victory  
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Walter  
HYMN: # 366 I Surrender All  
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Phil Halvorson  
HYMN: # 493 It Is Well with My Soul  
SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 3: 1-14 Pastor Walter  
MESSAGE: "Prepare the Way of the Lord" Michael Szuk  
RECEIVING OF NEW MEMBERS:  
Michael Szuk, Vic & Mary Thiessen, Vi Wiens  
QUARTET: The Healer  
COMMUNION: Pastor Walter  
HYMN: # 81 What a Wonderful Savior!

## SERMON NOTES

Prepare the Way of the Lord

1. Background and setting for the Preparation (3.1-2a)
2. The Timing of Preparation (3.2b)
3. The Message of Preparation (3.3)
4. The Means of Preparation (3.4-6)
5. The Results (3.7-14)

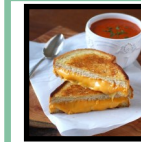
Questions for Reflection

1. Is preparation necessary today?
2. Why was it so important to have John prepare the way for the Lord?
3. How does preparation play a role in our evangelism?
4. How do we make the paths straight for people to come to Jesus?

### Literature available in Upper Room & Foyer

- Our Daily Bread - March / April / May
- Unser Täglich Brot - Januar / Februar / March
- Unser Täglich Brot - March Großdruck
- Bridge - March
- Multiply Daily Prayer Guide - March
- ShareWord (formerly Gideons) Memorial Cards
- Evangelical Fellowship of Canada - Faith Today
- German Hymnals are available in the Upper Room (Kostenlos)

**Remain in Me** is the title for this year's Easter Devotional. Printed copies for each day from February 22 (the beginning of Lent) until March 15 can be picked up in either the foyer or the Upper Room. These devotionals can also be found on the MB Seminary website.



### March Fellowship Luncheon

**Today's the day!** If you signed up for lunch today please join us in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. A \$10 donation is appreciated.



### DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS MARCH 12!

Remember to set your clocks **AHEAD 1 hour** on Saturday night!

### PASTOR'S ABSENCES

Pastor Don and Pastor Fred will be taking a well deserved vacation and will be away from the office as noted below:  
Pastor Don: February 20 - March 13  
Pastor Fred: February 20 - March 14

### Financial Update

Last Sunday, February 26, 2023, our offering total was \$8,896.00. This brings our 2023 contributions to date for our budget contribution commitment to \$95,928.61. Our monthly budget contribution commitment for 2023 is approximately \$52,000 each month. Thank you for your faithful giving.

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