

MESSAGE NOTES & QUESTIONS

Unity in the Spirit of God

Ephesians 4:1-6

1. In Ephesians 4:1–3, Paul identifies humility, gentleness, patience, and bearing with one another in love as essential to unity. Which of these qualities is most difficult to practise in our culture today, and why?
2. Paul tells believers to “maintain the unity of the Spirit.” What does this suggest about the source of Christian unity? How is genuine unity different from uniformity or simply avoiding disagreement?
3. Ephesians 4:4–6 repeatedly emphasizes the word “one.” How should our shared identity—one body, one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one Father—shape the way we respond to differences in culture, generation, personality, or worship preferences?
4. Like a physical body, the church is called to support its members when one part is hurting or struggling. During Clearbrook’s current season of transition, what practical steps can we take to care for one another, protect our unity, and make room for the Spirit’s leading?

Please pray for our Pastors & Staff

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August 16, 2026

Put on then, as God's chosen
ones, holy and beloved,
compassionate hearts, kindness,
humility, meekness,
and patience.

Colossians 3:12

Welcome Newcomers!

Please fill out the Connecting Card or contact the church office for prayer requests, to inform us of your contact info, or schedule a visit with one of our pastors.

Our team would love to hear from you.

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Worship Service 10:15 am

Glorifying God, Building the Church, Reaching the World

WELCOME TO OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE DOUG JOHNSON

HYMN #249 Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

INVOCATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS PASTOR FRED

HYMNS Wonderful, Merciful Saviour

#568 God of the Ages

Refiner's Fire

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE MICHAEL SZUK

HYMN #49 Lead Me, Lord

MESSAGE **Unity in the Spirit of God** PASTOR DENIS

HYMN #259 Breathe on Me, Breath of God

BENEDICTION PASTOR FRED

PRAISE & PRAYER

Please keep our brothers and sisters in ARH and at home in your prayers, asking that they may experience God's healing, presence, strength, and peace.

- Lorena Crocker appreciates prayer for family member **Terry** being treated for stage four cancer.
- **Ina Friesen**
- **Margaret Funk**
- **Marion Heppner**
- **John Klassen** Mission Hospice
- **Tatiana Lytvynenko** please pray for complete healing after surgery.
- **Doris Scharnberg**, Office Manager Alison's mom.
- **Johan (Hans) Toews** is now in Langley Hospital/PATH

MISSIONARY PRAYER FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Please join us in praying for **Emerson Cardoso**, member of **Multiply's Global Lead Team in Brazil** - supporting national leaders to grow missionary training networks. Pray for outreach and church planting among indigenous peoples along the Amazon River in Brazil. **ICOMB-Latin America-Brazil:** Pray that the obstacles hindering the work of the Holy Spirit may be removed, and for greater unity and spiritual renewal. *Isaiah 30:20-25*

INFO & UPCOMING EVENTS

Please check the **draft 2026-27 church photo directory** at the Welcome Desk after the service to confirm your contact information and photo (organized by last name).

New photos may be emailed to the office during August.

Please be advised that Pastor Denis will be out of office from August 17-22 - visiting his parents in Winnipeg.

MCC Festival - September 11 & 12. Saturday 5pm-9pm
Sunday 9am-2pm

Friendship Friday is starting up on **September 11!** If you're interested in helping coordinate this event, please call the office.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

	<u>July Income</u>	<u>YTD Income</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Total Income:	\$70,741	\$499,393	\$573,387	-\$79,993
	<u>July Expenses</u>	<u>YTD Expenses</u>	<u>YTD Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Total Expenses:	\$79,349	\$562,104	\$572,891	+\$10,787

Cash/
cheque



E-transfer/
auto-debit



Credit/
Debit

