

Friday We give thanks for the ministry of Pastor John and Kirsten Oakes over their four years with us and pray for God's continuing guidance, provision and protection for them as they prepare to move back to Ontario to be with family in John's retirement.

Saturday We pray for those who are sick, shut-in or bereaved. We especially remember: Elsie Baum, Agnes Becker, Russ and Rita Crossley, Bekele Gebreab, John and Frieda Hait, Lavina Hait, Linda and Tor Hoen, Bill Konnert and family, Diana Reichert, Margaret Ronsano and family, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Rick and Carol Townsend, Jean Tsui, Pearl Weiss, and the Zilkie family after the passing of Margo's father. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace in Christ.

If you would like prayer for any person or reason,

please contact Sharon Iseli (604-244-1636),

Freda Ross (604-326-5123) or the church office.

We can pray during the Pastoral Prayer and/or list them in the Sunday bulletin, as well as through the Prayer Chain.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

PASTORAL STAFF

Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes

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(Pastor John is on vacation from August 16–31 before he formally retires on September 1. Please direct all future ministry and other enquiries and concerns to the church office)

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EBC Update

*Winning and building passionate,
life-long followers of Jesus Christ*

Sunday, August 22nd, 2021



10:30 a.m. Worship Celebration

Sermon: Rev. Albert Baerg

“Have You Found Him Yet?”

Hebrews 11:1-6, 13-16

Music Leader: Grant Gwynn

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WELCOME TO CHURCH!

We are excited to worship in person at Ebenezer or online. While our health guidelines have relaxed, we still encourage you to wear a mask and observe social distancing, as needed. Please remember to stay home if you are not feeling well. We also welcome you to sing in worship when wearing a mask. May God bless you richly today and every other day!

WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome & Call to Worship

Prayer & Peace

Opening Hymn: #28 O Worship the King

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

Announcements

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:1-6, 13-16

Message: "Have You Found Him Yet?" (Pastor Albert Baerg)

Song(s) of Response

Benediction

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship Celebration at 10:30 a.m. Dr. George Sears will be leading our Sunday service and preaching on Philippians 1:27-30 "A Citizen of the Kingdom".

Sunday Services Recordings of all our services remain accessible via our website www.rockofhelp.com, [Facebook](#), and [YouTube page](#).

MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

Challengers (55+) and Choir Practice meetings are on break for now. Please contact Jack Masing or Grant Gwynn for further information.

OTHER NEWS

THANK YOU "Kirsten and I send our thanks and appreciation to all who made possible and/or attended our farewell service and luncheon on August 15. Many thanks for marking my retirement as you did. We'll miss you all and wish you every blessing for the future. We can be contacted at oakes.js@gmail.com, if you wish to stay in touch." Pastor John.

Giving Even with the challenges of the pandemic, there are still ways you can support the ministry of the church. **You can continue to mail in cheques or give by Interac e-transfer. Thank you for your continued financial support!**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Monday We pray for our **NAB missionaries in Hungary, Ron and Jeannie Seck.** Ron is the Community Health Evangelism (CHE) Central Europe Coordinator, which involves both overseeing and facilitating expansion of CHE teams into new countries and regions and training CHE leaders for effective ministry. CHE team members use a wholistic approach as they seek to produce healthy Christians, churches, and communities among the Roma in Central Europe. We pray for Ron and Jeannie as they work to expand CHE's reach in Central Europe.



Tuesday We lift up our neighbourhood and all who live and work in South Vancouver. May we take every opportunity to serve and reach out with the gospel with compassion as the COVID-19 shutdowns lift.

Wednesday We pray for our whole congregation. May we trust in Christ and know the guidance of the Holy Spirit during the forthcoming time of pastoral transition, search and change.

Thursday We lift up Darren and Crista Lof as they lead their church plant, Gather Church Steveston in Richmond, B.C. We pray for them as they pursue their mission "to glorify God by building up and equipping the church to go and make disciples of Jesus.