

**Wednesday We pray for our world:** for those caught in the cross-fires of war, famine, poverty, and natural disasters. May people find Jesus even in the midst of devastating circumstances and know His peace.

**Thursday We pray for our NAB Executive Director, Harry Kelm, as he leads the NAB into the next season of our existence as a conference.** We ask for your blessing and guidance for the ways that he and the team support and guide churches and wisdom for the decisions and challenges they encounter. We thank you for their work.

**Friday We pray for our whole church community.** We pray for the ongoing work of the Search Committee as we look for a new pastor and for the upcoming business meeting.

**Saturday We pray for those who are sick, shut-in or bereaved.** We especially remember: Elsie Baum, Agnes Becker, Russ and Rita Crossley, Kurt Gottschling, John Hait, Lavina Hait, Linda and Tor Hoen, Diane Reichert, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Jean Tsui, and Pearl Weiss. May they find healing, 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.

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

**Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022**



**10:30am Worship Celebration**

**“He Acts: When God Scares Us”**

**Acts 5:1-20**

**Pastor Jerry Ritskes**

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## WELCOME TO EBENEZER!

We continue to worship in person at Ebenezer or online.

**We invite you to wear a mask (especially while singing) and maintain physical distance while you are in the building in order to help everyone stay safe and well.**

Please remember to stay home if you are not feeling well and we encourage you to join us online if you are not yet fully vaccinated.  
May God bless you richly today and every day!

## WORSHIP SERVICE

**Welcome & Call to Worship**

**Prayer**

**Opening Hymn: #3 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

**Songs of Praise and Worship**

**Announcements**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading: Acts 5:1-20**

**Sermon: "He Acts: When God Scares Us" (Pastor Jerry Ritskes)**

**Song of Response**

**Closing Song: #324 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus**

**Benediction**

## THIS WEEK

**Communion Service at 10:30am** Pastor Jerry Ritskes will continue preaching on his series through the book of Acts called, "He Acts".

**CHALLENGERS Bible Study and Fellowship** There will be no meeting on **Wednesday, June 1st**. Stay tuned for details about the next meeting.

## MID-WEEK PROGRAMS & NEWS

### **CHURCH GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING - June 5th 2022**

All Ebenezer members are invited and encouraged to attend the **General (business) meeting on Sunday, June 5th 2022, after the Sunday Service in the Lower Auditorium**. The main agenda items will be an affirmation of the current leadership positions and Financial and Search Committee Updates.

**OPERATION BABY BOTTLE: "Fill a Bottle...Change a Life" From Mother's Day to Father's Day (June 19th), Crisis Pregnancy Centre is running their annual Operation Baby Bottle fundraiser** to help support their work (providing pregnancy tests, options & peer counselling, education & support, free mom & baby supplies). **We have a limited number of baby bottles - you can pick one up and fill it with cash and return before June 19th**. You can also support their work by donating online at [optionscentre.ca/operation-baby-bottle/](http://optionscentre.ca/operation-baby-bottle/) or mailing a cheque to: Christian Advocacy Society of Greater Vancouver, 7879 Edmonds St, Burnaby, BC V3N 1B9 (Please remember to indicate the church you attend, as well as "OBB 2022" on the cheque memo line.)

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### **Monday We pray for our NAB missionary in Japan:**

**Shan Reed.** Shan Reed has been serving as a long-term missionary in Japan since 2001. For the past ten years, she has been an integral part of the Komyo Christian Church family, which she helped plant with Paul and Melissa Ewing. Having handed over the leadership of the church to a Japanese pastor, they are now beginning to look toward the next church planting effort God has for them in Japan. Shan's areas of ministry include a Gospel choir she is a member of, English classes she leads, and the Bible studies she teaches. **Pray for upcoming transitions, including the Ewings beginning a year-long home assignment and the next steps God has for Shan and the Ewings in their church planting ministry in Japan.**



**Tuesday We lift up the families, school, and community who were affected by violence this past week in Uvalde, Texas.** We know your heart breaks, Lord, for your children and the brokenness in your world. Our hearts feel heavy when we hear of tragic events like this. We ask, Lord, that your presence would surround and be sensed by those who are mourning the loss of children, siblings, friends. We also pray for your love and peace to encircle the rest of the school community who are deeply affected by this senseless and tragic event.