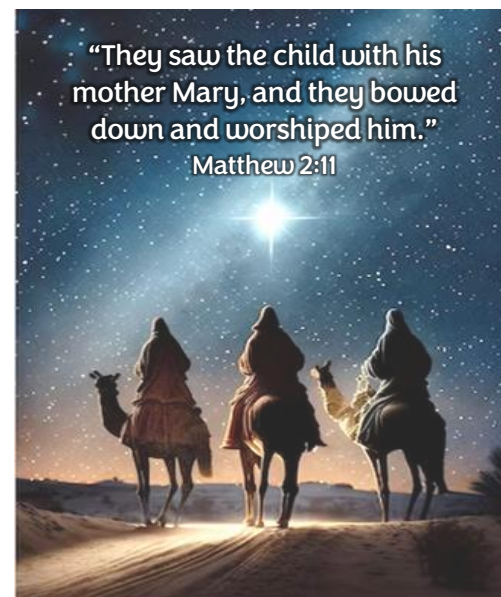


PRAYER FOCUS – DECEMBER 15, 2024

To activate the Prayer Chain, call/email the church, or text Bonnie.

- 1. Missionary Focus:** Pray for Tony & Janet Ens, serving in Northern Canada with NCEM: *“Please pray for....*
 - The Lord’s continued work in the lives of those attending the Pelly Crossing monthly services. We’re also planning a Christmas event for December 14th.
 - The inmates who must stay in Whitehorse Correctional Centre through Christmas, missing family events.
 - Brett to have continued strength, health and wisdom in learning new responsibilities at work.
 - The Lord to work through Christmas services & programs, usually the best attended church events of the year.
 - Continued guidance in planning the Pelly Crossing Adventure Camp 2025.
 - Heart preparation of those the Lord would have in the next GriefShare groups. That we as facilitators would rely on the Lord’s strength & directing. Thank you for your prayers for us and our ministry. Merry Christmas!”
- 2. Church Family:** Adam & Britney Fehr, Madelyn – Greg & Teresa Fehr – Lois Fehr – Sheldon & Debbie Fehr – Dietrich & Donna Friesen – Eva Friesen – Mary Friesen
- 3. Birthdays:** Mary Friesen (today), Joshua Sarker (Wednesday), Devon Atkings (Friday), Grant Loeppky (Friday)
- 4. Prayer Requests:**
 - Continue to pray for Lyndon & Kirsten Neufeld and their son, Logan, as they continue the medical journey following Logan’s bone marrow transplant.
 - Pray for three-year-old Xavier, a great-nephew to Glen & Karen Neufeld, who will begin another round of immunotherapy tomorrow (Monday).
 - Pray for Alicia Regehr’s Aunt Helen & Uncle Dave (siblings) who are both dealing with cancer.
- 5. Sister Churches:**
 - Region 1, SK/AB: Sutherland Evangelical Church—Dale/Sheryl Doerksen
 - Region 2, MB C: Morrow Gospel Church—Colin Plett
 - Region 3, MB S: Bergfeld Mennonite Church—James/Rhonda Friesen
 - Region 4, ON: Blenheim EMMC—Peter Brejcha
 - Region 6, BZ: Blue Creek EMMC—Henry/Sara Janzen
- 6. EMMC Missionary:** Ben & Bertha Kauenhoffen, serving in Bolivia
- 7. Westside Pastors’ Group:** Barry Drinkel—Saskatoon Victory Church
- 8. Parachurch Ministries:** Impactus (Promise Keepers)
- 9. Bereaved:** Our condolences to the Van Duyvendyk family. Arie Van Duyvendyk passed away on December 6th. The funeral was here at SEC on Friday.

Welcome to



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Lead Pastor: Dale Doerksen

Youth Pastor: Adam Fehr

Sunday School: 9:30AM – Sunday Worship: 10:30AM

December 15, 2024

- Tithes/offerings can be placed in the Offering Box on the back table.
- Etransfer to treasurer@sutherlandevangelicalchurch.com (be sure to leave a comment with your address if this is a first-time gift).
- Automatic monthly withdrawals —contact our treasurer or the church office.

TODAY

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: *Betty Guenter*

WORSHIP IN SONG: *Heart of Worship*

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER: *Keenan Regehr*

MINISTRY REMINDERS: *Keenan Regehr*

CHILDREN'S FEATURE: *Sheryl & Cassidy*

WORSHIP IN SONG: *Heart of Worship*

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: *Matthew 2:1-12 (pg 783-784) – Keenan Regehr*

CHILDREN'S PRAYER: *Keenan Regehr*

MESSAGE: *"Giving Our Best" – Pastor Dale*

CLOSING SONG: *Heart of Worship*

BENEDICTION: *Pastor Dale*



USHERS:
Mo Thomson & Riley Janzen

Children (3-7) going to
Children's Church need to sign
in before going downstairs.

NOON: *All Sunday School children and parents are invited to stay for lunch, followed by a dress rehearsal in preparation for tonight's program.*

6:30PM TODAY: *Please join us for our annual Christmas Program!*

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, NOON: Drop-in prayer meeting in the Youth Wing. All are welcome.

Feel free to text your prayer requests to Pastor Dale.

No Bible Study this week. We will resume in January.

YOUTH / C&C

Programing will resume on January 8th! Enjoy the Christmas holiday!

NEXT SUNDAY—ADVENT SUNDAY #4

No SUNDAY SCHOOL: *Our teachers will enjoy a break for the next two Sundays (22nd & 29th). Our worship service will begin at 10:30AM as usual!*

COFFEE

PRELUDE: *Leesa*

SOUND: *LaVerne*

POWERPOINT: *Bonnie*

USHERS: *Sheldon & Keenan*

COUNTER: *Keenan*

LIVESTREAM: *Jorgen*

WORSHIP LEADER: *Pastor Dale*

MESSAGE: *Pastor Dale*



CALENDAR

TUES, DEC 24, 7PM: Christmas Eve Candlelight service.

DEC 25, 26, 31 & JAN 1: The SEC office will be closed.

TUES, DEC 31, 8PM: New Year's Eve social at church. Bring snacks & games. Please sign up at the back!

WED, JAN 8, 7-9PM: Sr Youth & SEC Seniors' Games Night. Seniors, please signup at the back. The youth are hoping to borrow a few crokinole games for this event.

SAT, JAN 11, 7PM: Cakes for Kadesh fundraiser at Lakeview Church. Advance tickets are \$10 (campkadesh.com/cake-auction) or \$15 at the door. Raffle prizes, including a free week at camp. Kadesh is also looking for businesses to sponsor this event.



SEC NEWS

Baptism Classes are being planned for January 2025. Contact Pastor Dale if you are interested in participating or have any questions about baptism or membership.

Bible Reading Certificates: If you have read through the Old Testament, the New Testament, or the entire Bible in 2024, please let the office know so that we can recognize your achievement!

Library News: We still have our collection of DVDs! They can now be found in the storage closet behind the library door.

Thank You to those who have brought poinsettias in remembrance of loved ones:

-In memory of Aaron Froese and Luella Bergen, from George & Verna Froese.

-In memory of Henry & Lena Lesser, from Darrell & Darlene Loewen.

-In memory of Wilf Loewen, from Anne Loewen and Darrell & Darlene.

-In memory of Pete Friesen, from Mary Friesen.

-In memory of Cornelius Peters, from Grant & Anita Loepky & Marie Peters.

-In memory of Carl Loepky, from Myrtle and Grant & Anita Loepky.



From our Treasurer:

General Fund as of Nov 30th:

\$273,448 Actual income	\$273,448 Actual income
\$274,668 Actual expenses	\$301,672 Budgeted income
(\$1,220) Net loss	(\$28,225) Budget deficit

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Bridge on 20th is having their Community Christmas Celebration on December 23rd. If you would like to donate food or gifts for the special event, please check the lists posted on the bulletin board.

Giving Our Best

SEC – Dec 15/24 (Advent Sunday #3)

Introduction:

A. The Example of the Magi:

1. _____ were the Magi? Matt. 2:1-8

↳scholars

↳ _____

↳wealthy

↳ _____

2. How did these great men _____ to Jesus?

Matthew 2:9-12

↳ _____

↳worship

↳ _____ expensive gifts

↳obeyed God instead of Herod

B. Lessons from the Magi:

1. Generous _____ is a sure sign of _____.

2. Giving is a _____ for selfishness and dependence on wealth for our _____.

3. Even as a _____, Jesus _____ up everyone around him.

4. If there is _____/anyone you cannot give over to God, it/they have an improper _____ on you.

Conclusion: