

PRAYER FOCUS – DECEMBER 22, 2024

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

- 1. Missionary Focus:** Pray for Pete & Cathy Dyck, serving in Mexico with WEC International: "Prayer requests: 1) Pray that we could get more eyeglasses to give to those in need; 2) Pray that the informal, unplanned contacts would bear fruit for eternity; 3) Pray for Chucho & Lucia; 4) Pray for us, that God will give us wisdom to know how to continue on in Corupo. Thank you for your prayers! Wishing you a joyous Christmas." (*The entire letter is posted on our missionary bulletin board.*)
- 2. Church Family:** George & Verna Froese – Mary Giesbrecht – Paul & Liz Ginther – Betty Guenter – Pat Horner – Robin & Joan Ifield – Len & Sandy Isaac
- 3. Birthdays:** Paul Ginther (Monday), Ken Peters (Tuesday), Lyndon Neufeld (Thursday), Teresa Fehr (Thursday)
- 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 Logan's (white, neutrophils, and hemoglobin) cell counts to rise. Pray for his kidneys, which are taking a bit of a hit from all the medication. Pray for the upcoming (January) bone marrow biopsy, to see how his marrow looks. Pray for God's peace to be present during a stressful time.
 - Pray for three-year-old Xavier, a great-nephew to Glen & Karen Neufeld, who is dealing with the daily needles, sickness and hospital stay that accompanies immunotherapy treatments. Pray that this round (4th) will not be terrible.
 - Pray for Alicia Regehr's Aunt Helen & Uncle Dave (siblings) who are both dealing with cancer.
- 5. Parachurch Ministries:** Pray for Camp Kadesh—"As we approach the end of the fiscal year for Camp Kadesh, we are currently running a fiscal deficit of about \$100,000. We have made several cuts to spending to reduce our costs, but the inherent costs of running our programs and facilities can only be reduced so far. We lost most of our spring and fall programming because of the work action by the Saskatchewan Teacher Federation. The loss of revenue was about \$60,000 - \$80,000. Also, due to the mail strike, we have not seen end-of-year donations as normal. We are about \$65,000 behind in normal annual donations and member church support. We are praying that with the end of the postal strike, we will see some end-of-year donations via mail. We know that God will continue to work in all circumstances, and trust in him to provide. Merry Christmas from the staff at Kadesh." <https://www.campkadesh.com/give>.



Welcome to

Sutherland Evangelical Church



"Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on
whom his favour rests."

Luke 2:14



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You can find us on YouTube!

Lead Pastor: Dale Doerksen

Youth Pastor: Adam Fehr

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

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- 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: *Leesa Bueckert*

OPENING PRAYER: *Pastor Adam*

SONGS OF PRAISE: *Pastor Dale*

CHILDREN'S FEATURE: *Sheryl Doerksen*

MINISTRY REMINDERS: *Pastor Adam*

PASTORAL PRAYER: *Pastor Dale*

SONGS OF PRAISE: *Pastor Dale*

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: *Luke 2:1-20 (pg 832)—Pastor Adam*

CHILDREN'S CHURCH PRAYER: *Pastor Adam*

MESSAGE: *"Finding Peace" – Pastor Dale*

CLOSING SONG: *"His Name is Jesus"*

BENEDICTION: *Pastor Dale*

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY: No prayer meeting. We will resume in January.

TUESDAY, 7PM: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Invite friends and family to enjoy an evening of Christmas carols.

WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY: Office closed

YOUTH / C&C

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



USHERS:
Sheldon & Keenan

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

NEXT SUNDAY
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
PRELUDE: *Donna*
SOUND: *Tori*
POWERPOINT: *Caley*
USHERS: *Ken P & Nathan*
COUNTER: *Nathan*
LIVESTREAM: *Tyler*
WORSHIP LEADER: *Ken P*
SPEAKER: *Rick Guenther*

CALENDAR

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.

MARCH 20-23: EMMC's *The Gathering* at Spanish Lookout, Belize. www.emmc.ca

SEC NEWS

From our Business Board: Daigey Sarker has been hired as the SEC custodian. Daigey's start date is January 5th.

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!

Church Directory:

- If you are new to SEC but consider this your home church and want to be included in our directory/mailbox, please contact the office and they will gladly help you.
- If you are in our directory but see something is outdated/wrong, please contact the church office so we can get it right!

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 Loeppky & Marie Peters.
- In memory of Carl Loeppky, from Myrtle and Grant & Anita Loeppky.

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



Finding Peace

SEC – Dec. 22/24 (Advent Sunday #4)

Introduction

A. There was no _____ in Jesus' day.

1. He was born in Bethlehem because of _____ occupation. Luke 2:1-5
2. His birth caused the death of _____ children in Ramah. Matthew 2:16-18
3. His ministry would cause the _____ and heartbreak of many. Luke 2:34-35

B. What kind of peace does _____ give:

1. Peace with God through _____ for our sins. Isaiah 26:3; 53:5; Romans 5:1
2. Peace with our _____, as we take on the yoke of Christ. Matthew 11:28-30; Romans 6:15-18
3. Peace with _____, as we trust them to God. Psalm 34:14; Romans 12:18
4. Peace with our _____ as we accept the sovereignty of God. Philippians 4:11-12; 1 Timothy 6:6; Hebrews 13:5

Conclusion:

“Where there is _____, there is _____.”