

PRAYER FOCUS – DECEMBER 8, 2024

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

1. **Missionary Focus:** Pray for Beautiful Feet Ministry and its Executive Director, Shawn Hermanson: “This year has been a year of tremendous growth for Beautiful Feet Ministry! God has richly blessed with the harvest of souls that is taking place in Africa. By the grace of God and with your prayers and support, BFM has expanded and is now operating in 13 African nations! We thank God for the miraculous provision of 53 new Jesus Film backpacks, numerous tablets, audio bibles, dozens more motorcycles, and many more evangelists and leaders joining our mission. Since January, our teams have reported approximately 330,000 new believers! Please pray for unity and protection of our team. They often work in dangerous locations and face immense spiritual warfare.” *(Complete letter on bulletin board.)*
2. **Church Family:** Josiah & Kara Ditchburn – Dale & Sheryl Doerksen – Ken & Helen Dymond – Russ & Angela Ens, Liam, Isaiah, Weston – Phil & Shirley Epp
3. **Birthdays:** Greg Nelson (Wednesday), Tina Miller (Friday)
4. **Prayer Requests:**
 - Pray for Arie Van Duyvendyk who has moved to palliative care. Pray for the family.
 - 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 has gone through many cancer treatments since his diagnosis at the beginning of this year. Your prayers are greatly appreciated. His prognosis is good, but the process is hard.
 - Pray for Alicia Regehr’s Aunt Helen & Uncle Dave (siblings) who are both dealing with cancer.
5. **Sister Churches:**
 - Region 1, SK/AB: Open Arms Bible Fellowship—Marsden/Mandy Giesbrecht
 - Region 2, MB C: Lakeside Gospel Chapel—vacant
 - Region 3, MB S: Altona EMMC—David/Jessica Friesen
 - Region 4, ON: Aylmer EMMC—David/Marriane Miller
 - Region 6, BZ: Spanish Lookout EMMC—Blaine/Melissa Dueck
6. **EMMC Missionary:** Benni & Lorina Dueck—Villa Nueva Church, Bolivia
7. **Westside Pastors’ Group:** Rob Shepherd—Westside Pentecostal Church
8. **Bereaved:**
 - a. Our condolences to Owen and Paula, who have lost two loved ones. Paula’s dad, Jim Chapman, passed away on Dec 2nd at the age of 100 ½. The funeral is this weekend, in Alberta. And Paula’s brother-in-law, George, passed away on Dec 3rd.
 - b. Our condolences to George and Verna Froese, who have lost two loved ones. George’s brother Aaron, passed away on Nov 14th. And George & Verna’s sister-in-law, Luella Bergen, passed away on Dec 3rd.

↳ Please be in prayer for these grieving families.

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Welcome to

**Sutherland
Evangelical Church**



*“I am the Lord’s servant,” Mary answered.
“May your word to me be fulfilled.”
Then the angel left her.’
Luke 1:38*



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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.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE: *Eva Regehr*

WELCOME & PRAYER: *Ken Peters*

WORSHIP IN SONG: *His Praise*

PASTORAL PRAYER: *Pastor Dale*

CHILDREN'S FEATURE: *Sheryl & Aviannah*

MINISTRY REMINDERS: *Ken Peters*

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: *Luke 1:26-38 (pg 830) – Ken Peters*

WORSHIP IN SONG: *His Praise*

CHILDREN'S PRAYER: *Ken Peters (for ages 3-7, must be signed in & out)*

MESSAGE: *"Serving with Love" – Pastor Dale*

CLOSING SONG: *His Praise*

CLOSING PRAYER & BENEDICTION: *Pastor Dale*



*If you take in and don't give out, you become FAT.
If you give out and don't take in, you become FAINT.
If you give out and take in, you become FIT.*

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, 7PM: Baby Shower, in our dining room, for Britney & Madelyn.



TUESDAY, NOON: Drop-in prayer meeting in the Youth Wing.
All are welcome. Feel free to text your prayer requests to Pastor Dale.

TUESDAY, 7PM: Heart of Worship practice

WEDNESDAY, 9:30AM: Coffee Fellowship in our dining room. Everyone welcome!

WEDNESDAY, 7PM: Bible study at church, studying John 8:12-59. You can join in person, in our Board Room, or by Zoom (a link will be emailed on Tuesday). Contact Pastor Dale with questions or prayer requests.

SATURDAY, 8:30AM: Men's Breakfast—bring your wife! \$10/person or \$15/couple.
Please sign up at the back table.

NEXT SUNDAY—ADVENT SUNDAY #3

* Thank you to those who signed up for treat bag donations! Please have your donation at church by 9:30AM next Sunday, Dec 15th.

9:30-10:15AM: *Sunday School practice*

COFFEE: *Anita* SOUND: *Tori* PRELUDE: *Betty* POWERPOINT: *Roni*

USHERS: *Mo & James* COUNTER: *James* LIVESTREAM: *Goerge R*

WORSHIP LEADER: *Keenan* MESSAGE: *"Giving Our Best"*

* 6:30PM: Sunday School Christmas Program!



YOUTH / C&C

WEDNESDAY, 7-9PM: *Sr. Youth Christmas Party → SNACK: parents & youth workers*

THURSDAY, 7-9PM: *C & C*

FRIDAY, 7-9PM: *Jr. Youth Christmas Party → MUSIC: Devon & Caden*

CALENDAR

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

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 sign up 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

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!

There will be no Sunday School on Dec 22 and 29. Our worship service will be at 10:30AM as usual. Thank you, teachers—enjoy the break!

The SEC Connection's December '24 edition is available on the back table!

Bibles: The Prairie Hope Women's Centre (Teen Challenge) is looking for copies of **Life Application Study Bible** (2nd or 3rd edition). To donate a used or new copy, you can contact them at 1-306-225-2213 or Charmaine.Neufeld@teenchallenge.ca.

Kadesh News: Staff Applications for the 2025 season is open. Info can be found at <https://www.campkadesh.com/summer-employment>

Poinsettia Memoriam

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

-In memory of Carl Loepky, from Grant & Anita Loepky

During the month of December, you are invited to place a poinsettia at the front of the sanctuary in memory of a loved one. Please contact the office (by phone, email, or a note in mailbox #86) with your name and who the poinsettia is in memory of.



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.

Serving with Love

SEC – Dec 8, 2024 (Advent Sunday #2)

Introduction:

A. Key Examples of Service:

1. Mary was told she would have a _____ outside of marriage—risk of _____ and possible judgment.
Luke 1:26-38
2. Joseph was _____ at Mary's unfaithfulness—he would have to learn to _____ again.
Matthew 1:18-25
3. The shepherds, who were already considered _____, told everyone about the new _____. Luke 2:8-18

B. Key Opportunities for Service:

1. By serving well, we _____ the God who saved us.
2. By helping out, we ensure the _____ is accomplished.
3. By caring enough to enter into the lives of others, we show the _____ of God.
4. By making ourselves less, we become more significant and can have lasting _____.

Conclusion: