# THIS WEEK

MONDAY

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|                              |                |
| TUESDAY                      | Dec. 24        |
| 2:30 pmChristma              | as Eve Service |
| 4:00 pmChristma              | as Eve Service |
| 5:30 pmChristma              | as Eve Service |
| WEDNESDAY                    | Dec. 25        |
| CHRISTMAS DAY / Office       | Closed         |
| THURSDAY                     | Dec. 26        |
| Boxing Day / Office Closed   |                |
| FRIDAY                       | Dec. 27        |
| Office Closed                |                |
| SATURDAY                     | Dec. 28        |
| Office Closed                |                |
| SUNDAY                       | Dec. 29        |
| 9:15 & 11:15 amW             | orship Service |
| 10:30 amYA Coffee Fundraiser |                |
| 1:00 pmFilip                 | inos & Friends |
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**OFFICE CLOSED** - The church office will close for the holidays at 1:00 pm on Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) & will resume regular office hours on January 2, 2025. We will be checking the voicemail periodically.

## **PRAYER**

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Our Local Christian Workers -**Camp Nakamun's Leadership team, SGAC's local C&MA camp.

Our Pastoral Team - Zach Mildenberger, Worship Pastor. Zach is married to Rachael & they have 1 child.

Our Elders Team - Kenton Breitkreuz. Kenton is married to Laurie & they have 2 children.

Our Support Team - Kirstin Funk, Operations Support Assistant.

We want to pray with you. If you have prayer or praise requests contact us at prayer@sgac.net or fill out a Connection Card & place it in the offering plate.

# FAMILY MATTERS

**COOKIE SUNDAY** - Plan to stay after the service & connect with someone new while enjoying a cookie in the foyer.

**SOUL CARE CONFERENCE** will be taking place on March 6, 7, & 8, 2025 from 9:00am - 5:00pm at St. Albert Alliance Church. Scan the QR code below or visit our website for details & to register: sgac.net/ **EventRegistrations** 

FIND OUT MORE about what's going on at SGAC

Website - sgac.net







@Spruce Grove Alliance Church

The Loop scan the QR code to subscribe to receive Pastor

Brent's weekly e-newsletter.



### GIVING

#### **HOW CAN I SUPPORT THE MINISTRIES OF SGAC?**

Cash or Cheque Interac at the Welcome Center Preauthorized Payments from your Bank Account



E-transfer Using give@sgac.net Online Donations through the Website (sgac.net).

Please remember to include your full name, email address & envelope # on your e-transfers, online & offering envelopes.

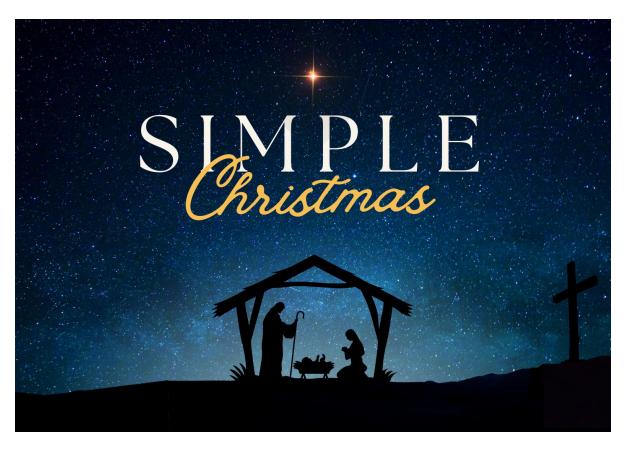
Year to Date Financial Update July 1, 2024 to November, 2024 **General Fund YTD:** 

General Fund Revenue \$607,110 **Budget Required** \$681,894 **Budget Shortfall** -\$74,784 Mortgage Update TYD: Monthly Mortgage Payment \$13.641 \$38.952 Total Interest Paid on Loan Mortgage Balance\* \$1,272,370 Interest Rate 6.45%

\*Includes \$114,661 Principal Payment from The 2nd Mile Campaign



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024



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## SIMPLE CHRISTMAS

Today, we will explore, "Simple Grace"—how God chose lowly shepherds and distant magi as the first worshipers of the Christ Child.

### **Sermon Notes:**

**BENEVOLENT OFFERING** - Since today is communion Sunday, there will be an opportunity for you to give as you leave at the end of the service. This money goes towards helping those in need in our community.

Join us at the front for prayer after each service.

## CHURCH LIFE UPDATES

# REGISTER FOR THE EVENTS BELOW:

Scan the QR code or visit our website sgac.net/EventRegistrations.



**NEW TO SGAC?** Check out the New Here brochure in the chairback in front of you to learn more & get connected.

**SGAC KIDS CHURCH** is available today for nursery to Grade 6. Nursery & 2-year-olds check in at the nursery. 3-year-olds to Grade 6 check in at the Community Life Centre.

YA MISSIONS COFFEE FUNDRAISER - <u>Sunday mornings</u> <u>from 10:30 am - 11:15 am</u>, the YA team going to Mexico will be offering specialty coffees between services from now till Christmas to raise funds for the missions trip. Suggested donation price is \$5 for hot or iced coffees – cash only. Thank you for supporting our SGAC Young Adults!

**INVITE SOMEONE TO CHRISTMAS AT SGAC** - Visit the Welcome Desk to pick up an invite card to our December Simple Christmas sermon series as well as our Christmas Eve services taking place at 2:30pm, 4:00pm, & 5:30pm. We look forward to focusing on the beautiful simplicity of the Christmas story this season.

**YEAR END GIVING** - All 2024 giving needs to be received in the office or online by December 31st. Please check our holiday office hours for in-person giving.

**NO SGAC KIDS CHURCH** on <u>Sun, Dec. 29</u>. Childcare will be available for the Nursery & 2 year olds. Please plan to have your kids sit with you.

CM SAFETY & RISK MANAGEMENT TRAINING will be takingplace on Sat, Jan. 11 from 9:30 am - 11:00 am at SGAC. This is required annually for ALL volunteers who work with children &/or youth. If you have never taken it or you are unsure if you need an update please contact the CM staff. RSVP to Pastor Debbie Funk by Jan. 8.

**SMALL GROUP FACILITATORS NEEDED** - SGAC is looking for small group facilitators. Pray about it & ask the Lord to show you if this is something he is calling you to do. If you feel called to get involved for this coming semester contact Pastor Keith Piquette for more information: keith.piquette@sgac.net

GRIEFSHARE - This 13-week support group offers help & encouragement after the death of a loved one. You will receive valuable guidance & tips, leading you to relief, comfort, & peace of mind. This group is open to anyone in the Parkland County area & runs on <a href="Wednesdays from 7:00pm - 9:00pm at SGAC starting">Wednesdays from 7:00pm - 9:00pm at SGAC starting</a>, Jan. 15, 2025. Scan the QR code above or visit our website for more info & to register.

soli AMBASSADOR TEAM - In February of 2025 SGAC is sending a group of 5 ambassadors to Soli Island to encourage & bless our International Workers, A&J, whom we have sent to make Jesus known in that community. Scan the QR code or visit our website at: sgac.net/GlobalMissions to learn more about the Soli team & find out how you can be praying for them.

MISSIONS FAIR - Save the date for the Missions Fair taking place on <u>Sun, Feb. 2</u>. We are looking for different ethnicities in our church to represent their country at a table for the missions fair. Please contact Coreen Frey for more details & to volunteer: 780-887-2232.

### January 2025 Save the Dates:

- Jan. 5 Vision Verse Sunday 2025
- Jan. 8 AWANA & Keenagers Resume
- Jan. 12 Youth Parent Meeting @ 11:15 am
- Jan. 14 Youth Bible Study Resumes
- Jan. 15 Young Adults Bible Study Resumes
- Jan. 17 Youth Friday Night Event
- Jan. 26 Small Groups Sunday & New Attenders Lunch