



**Sunday services are also available online at 10 am on Zoom**

# Dayspring Weekly News

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*Our services are ...  
Faith filled, Inspiring and Joyful!*

**Mission Moments:** When the Rev. Lora Nafziger visited her sister in Nepal in 2022, she never imagined that she would return as Staff Care and Counselling Advisor with United Mission to Nepal (UMN). A faith-based international NGO, UMN strives to help all Nepalis achieve a fuller life through medical and community development programs. Responding to God’s call, Lora departed for Kathmandu in early January 2024 with her spouse Mitch Rhodes and their two youngest children. Lora, who is also a clinical social worker, will provide spiritual and emotional support to expatriate UMN staff and Nepali staff. She is jointly supported by the PCC through gifts to Presbyterians Sharing and Mennonite Mission Network.



**How you can help your church**  
Dayspring needs an Archivist... We are looking for you, that special someone who would be gathering minutes from the Board, Session and Annual Congregational Minutes and turning them into Microfilm (microfiche) at the Provincial Archives and then sending those on to the Presbyterian Church of Canada. Please see Gina to let her know you are that someone :) Clerk of Session, Gina

**Elder Election 2024...**Several names have been approved by Session for Election as Elder. These following four (4) people have agreed to serve, if elected: **Renita MacCallum; Rhomulus (Rom) Rhoad ; Shirley Simpson and Lynn Vaughan**

If elected by the congregation these Elders (above) would require ordination and/or be admitted/inducted to the Session of Dayspring.

**Ballots are available after worship at the table in the Great Room designated for this purpose.** Please see Darlene Eerkes (Roll Clerk) or her designate if you are unsure of your DPC membership status. This is not a competitive election. Everyone is invited to vote with two forms of accounting occurring in the election:

**The official ballot** is an opportunity for all who are Professing Members of the congregation of DPC to indicate their support (or not) for the candidates. Voting members officially elect the Elders to Session.

**The advisory ballot** is an opportunity for all who are Adherents (not members but regular participants in the congregation) to indicate their support (or not) for the candidates.

Ballots may be completed by mail-in or in-person voting: **In person ballot/voting** will occur after the Worship Services on January 7, 14 and 21. **Voting will cease** 30 minutes after the worship service on January 21, 2024.

**Mailing/emailing** in your vote using the official ballot form. The Administrative Assistant accepting this “mail” vote will be required to identify your name so we can recognize you as a professing member or adherent (advisory vote), so your vote will be registered in the correct tally.

### Time away for our Minister ...

Brad will be away from:  
Thursday Jan 04 – Thursday Jan 18, 2024. For Pastoral care, please contact **Rev Mark Chiang 780 604-6315** or **Rev Annabelle Wallace at 780 439-4669**.  
On our first January Service of 2024, Lynn V. will lead us, with John C. bringing us the communion online, during the Service! A first for Dayspring!!!

### Did you know...

The Food Bank are serving more than 34,000 people monthly through the hamper programs while simultaneously providing food to soup kitchens, shelters, schools, and community agencies. Food donations are not keeping pace with the need in our community and this is where food purchases are necessary. “Edm. Food Bank - your gifts are truly appreciated”

**Minister:** Rev. Bradley Childs **780 999-3005**  
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**Dayspring Weekly News & Event Calendar:**  
Announcements need to be in to the office by Tuesdays at **5pm** in order for them to be in the Sunday NEWS.  
**Volunteer Centre:** Located in the Great Room.  
**Postings Wall:** The west wall of the Great Room.

## Revised Common Lectionary Readings

(not necessarily Sunday's chosen readings)

2024 Jan 06, Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14;  
Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12

Jan 07, Genesis 1:1-5; Psalm 29; Acts 19:1-7;  
Mark 1:4-11

Jan 14, 1 Samuel 3:1-10, (11-20); Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

The 2024 phone directory will be available for the end of January Thx, Linda FB



Make Tax Time Pay

# FREE TAX PREP

Safe and confidential tax filing services done by VOLUNTEERS for SIMPLE tax returns.

Contact Sam or Ali at [taxtime@dayspringchurch.ca](mailto:taxtime@dayspringchurch.ca)

[tax.e4calberta.org](http://tax.e4calberta.org)



## Youth Church on Sundays

(Grades 6-12, ages 12-18)

Just a reminder that we will have Youth Church during the services on **January 14th & 28th**. We are starting a new study focus, AND we will be planning some future activities. See you on the UP-side!

### Stewardship Moment

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

*Matthew 2:11*



Private information removed

Continue to keep all those in your prayers who are experiencing hardships in their lives. Pray for our troubled world and ask God to help heal the brokenness that seems to be ever present.

Note: Besides deaths and births, names are not included on this prayer list unless explicit permission is given.



Wanna bring extra JOY to people's lives on Sunday mornings?

Add your name on the sheets on the Volunteer Board for any Sunday in 2024 to be one of our greatly appreciated COFFEE HOSTS! Instructions on how to brew are posted in the kitchen, and a fellowship member can help with the instructions, too!

OR, perhaps you would consider being an usher on a Sunday, instead. On the same Volunteer board, there is a sign up sheet for that, as well.



The Craft Group has now resumed their meetings on Friday afternoons, from 1-3pm at the church.

### Ways to Donate at Dayspring

-E-transfer to [dpc.edmonton.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:dpc.edmonton.treasurer@gmail.com) through your bank's website

-Set up a monthly pre-authorized remittance by emailing this completed form

<https://presbyterian.ca/downloads/55721/> to [EnvSecy@DayspringChurch.ca](mailto:EnvSecy@DayspringChurch.ca)

-Mail a cheque to the church at 11445 40 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T6J 0R4

-Donate using a credit card at

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/16490>

The Bible Study group is on a break and will resume on **Wednesday Jan 24, 2024**



Save the date: **Saturday, January 20th**

The Fellowship Ministry Team is holding a Multicultural Potluck Supper at the church this month. Everyone attending is asked to bring a favourite dish to share that highlights their heritage and their culture.

Tickets are being sold, just to plan for numbers & to off-set cost of beverages, plates, napkins, etc.

**\$2 per person | \$5 for a family**

Tickets will be for sale at church after the service for the next few Sundays.