

Sunday services are also available online at 10 am on Zoom

Dayspring Weekly News December 22, 2024

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Christmas isn't always Merry... a Church Service A Candlelight Christmas Service for anyone struggling

this Christmas season or seeking a moment of calm reflection amidst a busy life.

Perhaps this Christmas is your first one without that very special loved one or there are pressing health issues. Perhaps there are struggles with a relationship. Maybe it's limited resources or a change in work. Perhaps this year, it's a tough time to put healthy food on the table or the gifts you most want to leave underneath the tree. Maybe it is difficult for reasons that cannot be easily understood or shared. Whatever the case may be, the truth is...

Christmas isn't always merry. And yet, there is still hope, community, and peace.

Knowing how hard Christmas can be for some, the "Christmas Isn't Always Merry" service will be Thursday, December 19th at 7:00 pm. It will be a multi-church program, being hosted this year at Dayspring

Dayspring.



NCN Christmas dinner...

Greenfield was so thankful for all of the volunteers from Dayspring and Greenfield that helped at the NCN Neighbourhood Christmas Dinner.**101** people from the surrounding neighbourhoods attended, many for the first time! It was a really wonderful evening as neighbours connected with each other with lots of good conversation around the tables. Thank you to everyone that helped to make the dinner possible. They look forward to continuing dinners and other events that enable our neighbours to connect with each other.

Minister: Rev. Bradley Childs **780 999-3005** Minister@DayspringChurch.ca **Office hrs:9am-12pm M-F Church School Coordinator:** Lynn Vaughan ChurchSchool@dayspringchurch.ca Office Hours: most Thursdays, afternoon **Youth Coordinator:** Nahyeni Bassah Youth@dayspringchurch.ca Office Hours: TBA **Music Director:** Binu Kapadia Music@DayspringChurch.ca **Custodian:** Jim Matthew

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

December Church Services

Dec 22 Advent 4 at 10:am

Dec 24 Christmas Eve candle-light at 7:pm Dec 29 First Sunday after Christmas at

10:am

Please NOTE: the Office will be closed on it's regular days, <u>Wed and Thursday Dec 25,26 and Wed Jan 01.</u>



For all pastoral concerns from Jan 05-13 while Rev. Brad is away, please contact <u>Rev. Harry Curry</u> on his mobile phone **780-232-1160**

Would you like to be in our 2025 Phone Directory? Have you had changes to your mailing address, phone number or email address in the last year? Please let me know. You may be on the email distribution list currently but perhaps NOT given the office

currently but perhaps NOT given the office permission to be in our phone directory, if so please let me know. *Linda*

The 'Tax preparation assistance program' for 2024 tax

returns, has once again been organized by our Mission and Outreach ministry team. To volunteer as a tax preparer, for the 'Community Volunteer Income Tax Program, contact Sam at:

TaxTime@DayspringChurch.ca

help prepare individual tax returns.

Training and other resources are available. Most of the tax preparations will be **done online**, however we have booked the Great room for 4 Saturdays in April for **in person** clinics. Once we have enough volunteers, we will spread the word that DPC can



Administrative Assistant: Linda Farrah-Basford Admin@dayspringchurch.ca Office Hrs: W & Th 9am-5pm (Occasionally, office hours change without much notice.) Envelope Secretary: Iris R. 780-920-4415 envsecy@dayspringchurch.ca Dayspring Weekly News & Event Calendar:

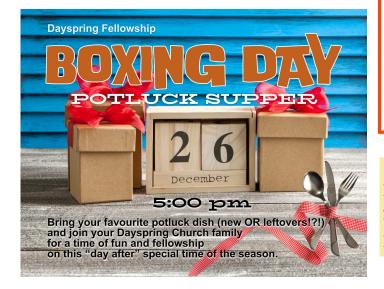
Announcements need to be in to the office by Tuesdays at **5pm** in order for them to be in the Sunday NEWS.

Volunteer Centre Unit: Located in the Great Room. **Postings Wall:** The west wall of the Great Room.



Private information removed

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



Our **Coffee and <u>Usher</u> volunteers** list could <u>definitely</u> do with some names being added to it for the next few weeks/months to come. Instructions on how to brew this popular liquid gold are posted in the kitchen and a fellowship member can help too! Iris will help with understanding Usher duties. Thank you, to all of those who have offered their help in the preceding months! You help make Sunday mornings a little PERKIER for everyone!

Stewardship Moment

For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. *Isaiah 9:6*

SCENT...a word on it

If you wear a scent please be aware that

someone in a pew near you might be quite sensitive to fragrances and perhaps you could choose to not wear it on a Sunday? Thank you



Playgroup & Coffee Time, Dayspring and Family Futures Resource Network

.... Every Friday 10 - 11:30am @ Dayspring Church Come and connect with other parents & caregivers and just let the kids play! CLOSED Dec 27 only

More Ways to Donate at Dayspring -E-transfer to 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 -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

Do you use our Pre-Authorized

Remittance (PAR) Offertory Cards? If not and you would like to have your

offering sent automatically through your bank, please speak with Iris R.at: envsecy@dayspringchurch.ca



Revised Common Lectionary Readings

(not necessarily Sunday's chosen readings) Dec 22, Micah 5:2–5a; Luke 1:46b–55 OR Psalm 80:1–7; Hebrews 10:5–10; Luke 1:39–45, (46–55) Dec 24, Isaiah 9:2–7; Psalm 96; Titus 2:11–14; Luke 2:1–14, (15–20) Dec 29, I Samuel 2:18-20,26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17 4:4–7; Luke 2:41-52

If you are looking to purchase a different type of Christmas gift

this year you might consider something from the 'Gifts of Change' catalogue. *Make a gift in the name of a friend or family member and they will be sent a card acknowledging the donation.*

Catalogues are available on the **Welcome** table with instructions on how to order inside on the 1st page

