



## Welcome to AAC!

*2nd Sunday of Advent*

*"This is my command: Love each other." John 15:17*

### CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK:

#### Monday, December 10

- 6:45 pm Freedom Session (Gym)  
7:00 pm Men's Bible Study (Oviatt's; 26926 18 Ave.)

#### Wednesday, December 12

- 10:00-11:15 am Sage (Senior Adults; Room 204)

#### Thursday, December 13

- 9:30-11:30 am Women of Grace Christmas Brunch (Lobby)  
6:30 pm It's a Family Christmas! (See insert)

#### Friday, December 14

- 6:30-9:30 pm Youth Christmas Dinner

### NEXT SUNDAY AT AAC

- 9:30-10:15 am Church Singing Group (Gym)  
9:45-10:15 am Pre-Service Prayer (Room 207)  
10:30 am Celebration Service: Message by Pastor Doug:  
"Because Christmas Really Happened"

#### Serving you today

Music: Shane Moews  
Seeds (0-2): Sachiko & Megumi  
Sprouts (3-4): TBA  
Saplings (Gr.K-1): Cindy & Riley  
Rooted Kids (Gr.2-6): Grady & Angelina C  
Coffee: Helen Mach

#### Serving you next Sunday

Music: Steve Laird  
Seeds (0-2): Lea Feddes  
Sprouts (3-4): TBA  
Saplings (Gr.K-1): Cindy & Riley  
Rooted Kids (Gr.2-6): Pastor Heather; Alexis P  
Coffee: Heather Winters

## Family News and Events

### Christmas Hampers

Would you would like to prepare and deliver a Christmas hamper to a family that could use a little help this Christmas? Simply shop for your family, deliver the hamper, keep your receipts and AAC will reimburse you. This gives our hamper ministry a relational touch and opportunity for follow up and care. You can also purchase grocery gift cards and give them to your family/individual. If you would like some shopping suggestions, lists are available on the information table.



### Year End Giving

Please note that to be receipted for 2018 donations you must have your cheque/envelope into the church on Monday December 31, 2018 by 2:00pm so that your gift can be deposited. Any donations received after this date and time will be recorded as giving for 2019. If you mail in your donation, please note that the envelope must be post-marked on 2018 in order for us to record and receipt it. If you mail your donation after that date, and the cheque is written with a 2018 date, we will not be able to receipt you. We hope that you understand that these are the regulations established by the Canada Revenue Agency which as a registered charity we must abide by and strictly adhere to. Thank you for your understanding and support.

| October Financial Report   |               | Budget       |
|----------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| General Fund Giving:       | \$35,725.86   | \$35,749.18  |
| Expenses:                  | \$36,629.82   |              |
| Variance:                  | (\$903.96)    |              |
| General Fund Year-to-Date: | \$326,456.17  | \$357,491.80 |
| Expenses:                  | \$352,745.42  |              |
| Variance                   | (\$26,289.25) |              |
| September                  |               | Year to Date |
| Benevolence Fund:          | \$465.00      | \$8,416.00   |
| Global Advance (Missions): | \$2,130.00    | \$33,215.00  |

## Praying for our Church Family

We are so grateful for God's grace in giving Lydia Redekop strength to return home after being in the hospital for two months. Please continue to pray for Walter and Lydia as she recovers and for continued strength in her bones. Pray for others who need that anointed, special healing touch from God. Pray for opportunities to share Christ this Christmas season, pray for the events planned at AAC to be a beacon of light and hope to some, pray for the pastoral staff as they give leadership and shepherd us through this wonderful time of the year. Pray for Alpha as they concluded their course on Friday. Pray for God the Holy Spirit to work (and He has), in the lives of those attending, pray for Ken Baron, Mary Van Zuuk and others who lead Alpha each Friday evening.

## Praying for our Missionaries



**A L D E R G R O V E**  
ALLIANCE CHURCH

**December 9, 2018**

# The Stable!



## The Christmas Crib

### Luke 2:4-16

Our vision is to be a *growing community of believers*  
who *reflect the character of Jesus Christ*  
so that others come to *know and experience God*.

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