

**OFFERING THIS WEEK is for the Local Church Budget.**

Happy Thanksgiving!

You might think I'm a bit confused. In Canada, Thanksgiving was the second Monday of October—the 9th. In the United States, it won't be until next month—the fourth Thursday in November, which will be the 23rd. Why say, "Happy Thanksgiving" today?

Of course, any day can be Thanksgiving. And Scripture gives us many reasons to give thanks, such as these:

"I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly...The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy" (Ps. 111:1, 7).

"It is good to give thanks to the LORD. ... O LORD, what great works you do! And how deep are your thoughts. Only a simpleton would not know, and only a fool would not understand this" (Ps. 92:1, 5–6 NLT).

"Praise be to the Lord, for he has heard my cry for mercy. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him" (Ps. 28:6–7).

National holidays for Thanksgiving come from expected harvest blessings. Most of us aren't farmers, but we have experienced God's abundant blessings in so many ways. So today, join me in Thanksgiving—we aren't limited to one day a year. Let's give to God from an abundant heart of praise and thanksgiving today!

~Steve Case

**WELCOME**

Grace and peace to you. This was the Apostle Paul's traditional greeting to the churches in God's Kingdom community—God's family of grace and peace. Family relationships are important to God and they're important to us too! We hope and pray that you find grace and peace and family here in our Kingdom community. Please take some time to check out our programs, church school, or a sermon or two. We hope you'll come back frequently, and we pray that God will richly bless you as you seek to know Him and grow in grace.

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**WEEKLY SABBATH SCHOOL**

**Sabbath Breakfast** ..... Small Fellowship Hall.....**9:00 – 9:25AM**  
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

Adult Class (1) ..... Main Sanctuary  
Adult Class (2) ..... Main Sanctuary  
Adult Class (3) ..... Board Room  
Adult Class (4) ..... (Tagalog) Small Fellowship Hall  
Children's Beginner..... Ages 0-3  
Children's Kindergarten..... Ages 4-5/Pre-K & K  
Children's Primary..... Ages 6-9/Grades 1-4  
Children's Junior ..... Ages 10-12/Grades 5-7  
Youth..... Ages 13-18/Grades 8-12  
Clerk ..... Helie Fabroa  
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Treasurer ..... Pope Gondwe  
Secretary ..... Crystal Palaganas

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

Sunset Today ..... 06:30PM  
Sunset Next Friday ..... 06:17PM  
**Offering this Week** ..... **Local Church Budget**  
Offering Next Week ..... Conference Advance  
Next Communion Service .....  
Bulletin Info ..... [communications@reddeeradventist.ca](mailto:communications@reddeeradventist.ca)  
**SOUTH SIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL** ..... Kindergarten-Grade 9  
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**Church Prayer Line: 587-405-1252 Access Code: 5627126**  
**Fridays: 8:30PM**

2023	Sep	Sep		YTD	YTD	
Red Deer SDA Church	Actual	Budget	Variance	Actual	Budget	Variance
Offerings	8,555	15,109	(6,554)	74,097	135,983	(61,885)
Expenses	19,288	15,109	(4,178)	131,569	120,873	(10,696)



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### SABBATH SCHOOL & LESSON STUDY

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**09:30 AM – 10:45 AM**

Lesson Study Review..... by Class

Sabbath School.....Small Group

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### WORSHIP SERVICE

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**11:00 AM**

Welcome & Kingdom Building.....Franz Caponpon

Prayer..... Doyle Steinke

Tithes & Offerings..... Jun Guanzon

Praise & Worship.....Praise Team & Congregation

*Blessed Be Your Name  
King Of Heaven  
Forever*

Scripture Reading..... **Philippians 4:4-8**

Message ..... Jourdane Smith  
**“It Was All for Nothing”**

Response.....Praise Team & Congregation  
*Friend of God*

Benediction..... Jordane Smith

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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[www.reddeeradventist.ca/news](http://www.reddeeradventist.ca/news)

**Wednesday Evening Prayer Meetings & Kids Prayer Time** will be starting up again. Join us this Wednesday@7pm (Sept 13) where we will be studying lessons on thriving relationships. Kids prayer time will also be starting at the same time.

**You can join in and participate in a lesson study on zoom at 9:30am.** Use this link to join in and take part: [albertaadventist-ca.zoom.us](https://albertaadventist-ca.zoom.us). Meeting ID: 937 9526 4185 ----- Passcode: Lesson

**Our church services are now streamed live on YouTube.** You can find our YouTube channel by search for “Red Deer Seventh-day Adventist Church.” You can find YouTube on any browser by typing [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com), or by using the app on any device or smart tv. Please subscribe and you will be notified of future events and videos.

**NOTE: Our responsibility for the Soup Kitchen is on the 4th Sabbath of each month from 3:00PM until 6:00PM... and the following Thursday 3:00PM to 6:00PM.**

**Evangelistic Series:** "Re-think" **October 13 to November 4, 2023.** Come join us every Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday at 7pm. “Heroes” Kids programming provided. Feel free to invite friends and family as we Re-think God, the future, and family.

**Bookings:** For any booking inquiry of church facilities, please email [info@reddeeradventist.ca](mailto:info@reddeeradventist.ca)

### JOB Opportunities

**Chinook Winds Adventist Academy** is in the growing City of Calgary, Alberta on 22 acres of land surrounded by trees and wildlife. CWAA is seeking a Jr. High Teacher for the 2023-24 school year. To view the salary scale, please go to [albertasdaedu.org](http://albertasdaedu.org). This position requires the individual to be eligible to hold both SDA and Alberta teaching certifications. **Interested applicants** are asked to send a cover letter and resume, which includes three references, to the contact information provided. We thank all applicants. Those selected for an interview will be contacted.  
**EMAIL:** [gwilton@albertasdaedu.org](mailto:gwilton@albertasdaedu.org)

**Burman University.** Be a part of our team.

- Full-Time Tenure-track Faculty in Business - School of Business
- Carpenter/Painter - Facility Maintenance

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Scripture Reading Today

Philippians 4: 4-8

Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

### The Way to Look at Things

As long as Satan has power to work upon human minds that are not barricaded with the Holy Spirit, there will be stern and earnest conflict between good and evil, and evil will be manifested, even among those who claim to be the children of God....

There is no reason for us to fix our eyes upon error, to grieve and complain, and lose precious time and opportunities in lamenting the faults of others.... Would it not be more pleasing to God to take an impartial outlook, and see how many souls are serving God, and resisting temptation, and glorifying and honoring Him with their talents of means and intellect? Would it not be better to consider the wonderful, miracle-working power of God in the transformation of poor, degraded sinners, who have been full of moral pollution, who become so transformed that they are Christlike in character? ...

Let us turn away our eyes from beholding the imperfections of those who are in the church, but who have not the likeness of Christ. We shall not be held responsible because those who make a high profession do not possess corresponding virtues. Let us thank God that it is our privilege to turn away our eyes from these defective Christians, and look upon those who are truly devoted, who are doers of the Word, and who in life and character bear the image of the Divine. And above all things, thank God that it is your privilege to look upon Christ, the perfect pattern....

Everything that causes us to see the weakness of humanity is in the Lord's purpose to help us to look to Him, and in no case put trust in man, or make flesh our arm.... We become changed into the image of that upon which we dwell. Then how important to open our hearts to the things that are true and lovely and of good report! <sup>58</sup>Letter 63, 1893.

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