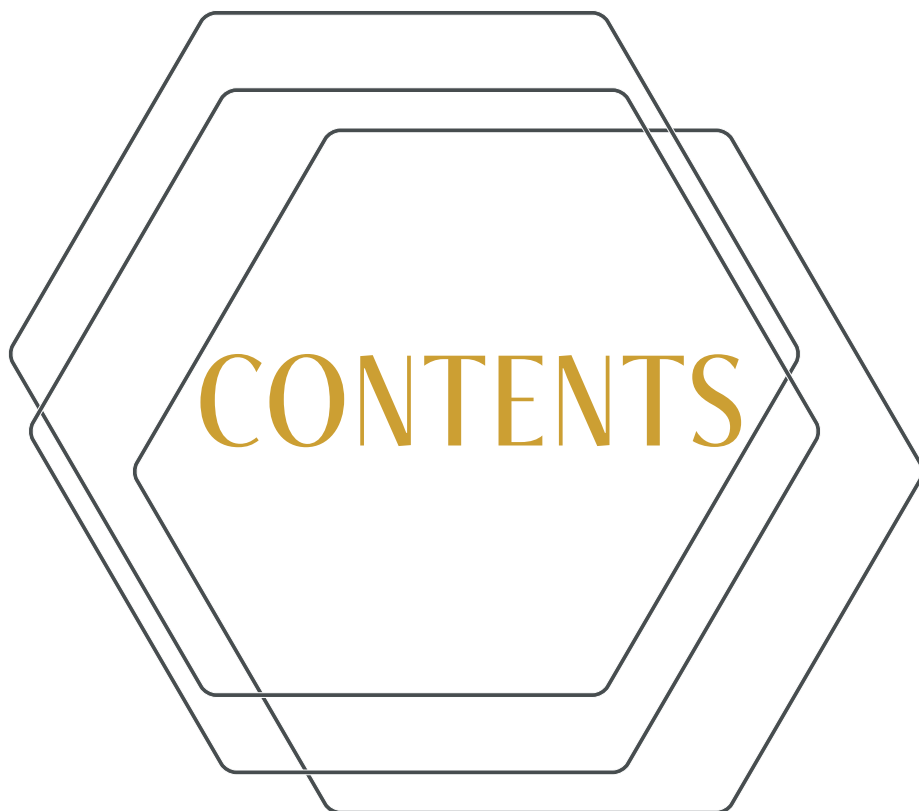




STONY PLAIN
ALLIANCE CHURCH

SPRING 2022 **CONVERGE**

June 21 @ 6PM



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IMPORTANT INFO

In preparing for our 2022 Spring Converge, here are some very important pieces of information that we would like you to be aware of:

Date: **Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

6:00pm - Potluck Supper

7:00pm - Converge Meeting

Location: **Hybrid of In-Person and Online**

ATTENDING OPTIONS:

- There are two options for attending our 2022 Spring Converge: In-Person or Online. If you are attending online, please contact the Church Office (780-963-2082 or emalee@spaonline.com) as soon as possible to register and to receive a link for joining online. Those attending in person, please join us for a potluck supper at 6:00pm, bringing sides (salads or chips) or dessert to go with a BBQ.

ENGAGEMENT:

- During the Converge Meeting there is always opportunity for questions from the floor. Online participants will be able to engage in asking questions by using the online chat box, submitting their questions ahead of time or by using the hand raising icon on the screen, at which time the online host will unmute that participant and they will be able to verbally ask their question.

VOTING:

- Please note that only formal members of SPAC are eligible to vote during the AGM.
- The voting that will take place during the meeting is for the (1) Agenda, (2) Fall 2021 Converge Minutes and for the Elder nominations as laid out in the Nominating Committee Report of the Spring Converge Package.
- For those attending in person, they will be given a voting ballot with the elder nominations when they arrive and those will be collected and tallied in-person during the meeting. For those attending online, please call the church office as soon as possible, to request a voting ballot be mailed to you so that you can vote and return it by mail before June 21 in order for it to be counted during the meeting as well.

AGENDA

6pm – Potluck Supper

7pm – AGM opening with worship and devotional

1. Call To Order
2. AGM Session Rules Explained
3. Adopt Agenda
4. Adopt Minutes
5. Ministry Report
6. Membership Acknowledgements
7. Elder Appreciation
8. New Business:
 - (a) 2022-2023 Budget
9. Nominating Committee Report; Elder Votes and Election Results
10. Adjourn Meeting/Close in prayer



FALL CONVERGE MINUTES

November 16, 2021

1. Call to Order

Dan Kehler called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm. 59 people (52 members + 7 adherents) in attendance.

2. AGM Rules Explained

Dan explained how the meeting will be held and votes conducted. Reverse voting in effect. Introduction of new members and explanation of membership.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Jesse Boulianne and seconded by Harm Mulder that the agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried

4. Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes

i. Adopt Minutes from 2021 Spring Converge Finance Meeting

Moved by Robert Wolf and seconded by Jack Adkins that the Spring Converge (June 22, 2021) Finance meeting minutes be accepted as presented.

Carried

5. Lead Pastor Search Committee Update

Kimberly McElroy gave an update from the search committee. Resumes have been reviewed and although there have been two interviews, nothing has come to fruition. The committee has reached out to other candidates as they have come to the attention of the committee and some resumes have been forthcoming. Please continue to pray for God's timing and will in this.

6. Rural Subdivision Lot Presentation

It is moved by Dan Kehler for the membership of Stony Plain Alliance Church to pre-approve the eventual sale of the property described as: Plan 8020569, Block 2, Lot 12 in Parkland, County, Alberta, for a minimum price of \$45,000.00 before November 30, 2022.

Seconded by Harm Mulder.

Questions were addressed regarding approximate value as per real estate experts and the location of the property.

Carried.

7. Financial Statements Presentation

Rob presented a summary of the financial statements. Overall giving is down, but staff is working hard to limit expenses.

Question regarding the use of our 900,000 earnings. Explained that this has been put against our loans.

Moved by Rob Davidson, Treasurer, and Dan Kehler, Chair, that the 2021 Financial Statements, presented by Hawkings Tinney LLP, be accepted as presented.

Carried.

Dan Kehler spoke about the challenges to come and also God's faithfulness to us. Encouragement to share stories of God's faithfulness and to lean into experiencing this in our generosity by listening to God's calling on you in this area.

Question about how the lead pastor will affect the budget (bigger shortfall?). This has been already built in to our budget.

Question about planned and unplanned deficit. After the first quarter we are down more than expected, so we are being preemptive and creating awareness. Commitment to fiscal responsibility.

8. Prayer and Adjournment at 7:49 pm.

Motion to adjourn moved by Robert Wolf, seconded by Ruby Barnes.

Carried.

The meeting was adjourned and Dan Kehler closed the meeting with prayer.

MINISTRY REPORT

Dear Stony Plain Alliance Church,

As I write this year's Ministry Report for our upcoming 2022 Spring Converge, there are two words I'm reflecting on to describe this past season: Intentionality and Listening.

It has been our desire, as a team of staff, that we would intentionally lean into and live out our vision and mission of "Fullness of Life for Everyone, by Practicing the Way of Jesus Together." Despite the absence of a lead pastor and the ongoing covid restrictions we faced, we didn't want to push pause on moving forward and creating opportunities for growth, apprenticeship, and formation as a church family.

One of the main ways our team of staff has practiced this intentionality is by spending a lot of time just being quiet and listening to what Jesus is saying. This has become the first place we go before we start making plans for services, sermon series, events or new ministry endeavors. It has been important for us to acknowledge and live into the reality that it is **Jesus**, who is the functional Lord and leader of our church.

For our service planning team, this has looked like asking the question of Jesus: "What is it that you are wanting to say to our SPAC family through the whole of a service?" We have given intentional thought to this through the practices of worship, teaching, liturgy, the table and prayer.

We have focused our preaching and teaching around sitting in the gospel of Mark since September 2021, to specifically focus on who Jesus is and what His Way looks like. We have carefully and intentionally thought through the songs we are singing as a worshipping community and why we are singing them. We have created opportunity for weekly sharing in the Lord's supper together: reminding ourselves of our dependency on Christ. We practice praying a Giving Liturgy together as a weekly reminder that the kingdom is one of generosity and abundance.

When it has come to what to put on the calendar for our church to engage in, we have asked Jesus what our church family needs and where our efforts and energies are to go. Last fall we sensed we needed to simply create opportunities for people to connect after a long season of not being able to do that. Hosting weekly viewings of the show *The Chosen* provided opportunity to connect with one another but was also an easy way discover the story of Jesus in a very humanizing way.

Throughout the fall, winter and spring months, a number of Life Groups or short-term Lent Groups as well as our Life Recovery Group, have continued to offer a space for our SPAC family to connect with one another by committing to doing life in an intentional way with a small group of people. We believe our journey and growth as apprentices of Jesus can be enhanced through intentional community and we are hopeful in the days to come that we might be able to develop more and more opportunities for Life Groups to form and thrive.

This spring we have had the opportunity to begin hosting Alpha, led by phenomenal volunteer leaders. This has ended up being a very significant journey for many people who have chosen to engage with Alpha and we are seeing and hearing of the ways God is moving in people's lives every week.

Our Youth ministry has spent the year focusing on who God is and who we are as a result. The students and leaders have worked through the theme of it being a year that the weeds in our lives don't win, while continuing to experiment with spiritual practices to apprentice with Jesus. Our students continued to focus on telling Stony Plain they love her through Love in Action serve projects, such as participating in the pitch-in week, a food drive, writing Christmas cards for seniors, and praying over our schools.

Our Children's ministry has been marked by the phrases of you are loved and you belong (and prior to reopening our Sunday classrooms, we miss you). It has been so great to have our classrooms open and have the kids reconnecting and growing together. Both our kids and youth ministries have intentionally created curriculum and opportunities to be learning alongside the adults in our church, what the right now, available Kingdom of God looks like; what the Way of Jesus looks like and how, at any age, we can all be apprentices of Jesus.

As we have desired to continue to pursue ways to become deeply formed, we have practiced different spiritual formation practices in ways such as Encounter Nights. A space for extended worship and prayer offered every six weeks, giving space to encounter the Holy Spirit. Another practice has been raising the value of lament through teaching, publicly lamenting, and joining together for a Blue Christmas Service, during the Christmas season, where we collectively grieved and named our losses and allowed Jesus to minister to us in our pain. Other things such as Advent, Lent and Week of Prayer have offered points of opportunity to engage in corporate spiritual disciplines as well.

More recently, about 45 people from our church community, as well as a few other churches, gathered for a Holy Spirit Encounter Weekend. This extended time in sitting under teaching about the Holy Spirit and being given opportunities to practice listening to the Holy Spirit and receiving prayer ministry for filling and healing, has brought significant depth and growth that we believe, and trust will impact our entire church and community at large.

At the end of May we celebrated baptism with three members of our SPAC family. It was a joy to hear the stories of their journeys with Jesus, how He has impacted their lives and to bear witness to their love for Him and desire to follow Jesus and be his apprentices.

Our Prayer Team has been a faithful and discerning presence, both on Sundays during the service and during the week, offering incredible support and follow up to the prayer needs we are made aware of. We are thankful for the emphasis on prayer that this team brings to our church family and community and the difference their prayers are making.

Over the last year our Lead Pastor Search Committee and Board of Elders has poured an incredible amount of time and energy into the process of who our next Lead Pastor should be. Eleven months after we posted the position of Lead Pastor at SPAC, we are grateful to be able to say that have a new Lead Pastor. We know that Jesus is truly up to something in bringing Wade Paton and his family across our paths and us across theirs.

As Wade steps into his new role with SPAC, we look to the future with hope and anticipation of how Jesus wants to continue to grow our church family as apprentices of His Way. We believe we are entering a season of becoming more outward focused, that we each might continue to bring Jesus and His Kingdom Come into our community and world.

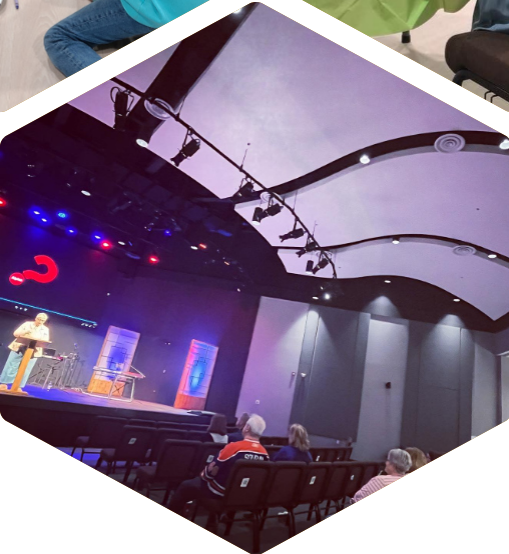
Recently our staff engaged in an exercise of naming both the losses and gains of the last few years; sharing how we've grown individually and collectively as a church; acknowledging the fears and apprehensions that inevitably come along with change and asking Jesus what He wants to give us in exchange for our fears. And then we took the time to dream and hope for the future and to get ready to welcome Wade Paton to our team. We are ready and we are excited!

Thank you to each one of you for being on this journey with us.

With Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Kimberly McElroy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'K' and 'M'.

Kimberly and the SPAC Staff Team



Stony Plain Alliance Church
GENERAL FUND
 July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

B U D G E T

	Full year July-June 2022/2023 draft BUDGET	Full year July-June 2021/2022 BUDGET
General Fund Income	\$1,321,914	\$1,169,569
Direct Ministry Costs (net of cost recovery):		
Adventure Ministries	\$7,126	\$7,125
Youth Ministry	\$8,000	\$7,987
Young Adults	\$900	\$5,700
Adults	\$11,438	\$11,438
Community Engagement	\$14,500	\$23,750
Worship and Creative Arts	\$9,700	\$9,693
Missions (does not include congregant missions giving)	\$10,650	\$900
Events & Promotion	\$17,110	\$14,990
	<hr/> \$79,424	<hr/> \$81,582
Staffing & Training Expenses:		
Payroll (Wages & Employer Costs + Group Benefits)	\$671,000	\$552,000
Staff Support		
Gifts - pastoral and support	\$500	\$0
Books and Subscriptions	\$3,250	\$2,050
Continuing Education	\$14,000	\$8,500
Denominational Conferences	\$7,800	\$5,200
Meals	\$5,400	\$4,000
Mileage	\$6,000	\$5,625
Cell Phone	\$4,680	\$3,780
Candidating & Moving Costs	\$11,000	\$11,000
Staff and Elder training & events	\$6,700	\$6,150
	<hr/> \$730,330	<hr/> \$598,305
Office & Administration Expenses		
Office		
Office Rent - Park House	\$0	\$0
Computer software & tech support	\$23,100	\$22,910
Copier lease and service	\$7,780	\$10,345
Postage & Courier	\$2,500	\$2,000
Office Supplies	\$2,500	\$2,500
Service Charges, Licenses & Subscriptions	\$10,900	\$9,420
	<hr/> \$46,780	<hr/> \$47,175
Building Expenses:		
Mortgage - Principal & Int. payments	\$312,000	\$294,167
Sunday Space - LWCA Rent	\$0	\$0
Utilities	\$42,900	\$43,428
Garbage Removal	\$2,700	\$2,200
Repairs & Maintenance	\$31,730	\$34,063
Cleaning Supplies	\$3,800	\$3,700
	<hr/> \$393,130	<hr/> \$377,557
Capital Expenses	\$5,000	\$9,800
Amortization	\$0	\$0
Other Expenses:		
District Operating Budget (3% of general fund)	\$27,000	\$24,000
Insurance	\$13,250	\$13,150
Cemetery - Maintenance	\$10,500	\$10,500
Cemetery - Expansion	\$0	\$0
Reserve Fund (1% of general fund)	\$9,000	n/a
Professional Fees	\$7,500	\$7,500
	<hr/> \$67,250	<hr/> \$55,150
Income Net of Expenses	<hr/> \$0	<hr/> \$0

GIVING REPORT

Giving From July 1, 2021 to May 25, 2022
Our fiscal year is July 1 to June 30.
The numbers below represent 47 of 52 weeks.

General Fund

Budget as of May 25, 2022	\$ 781,738
Actual received as of May 25, 2022	\$ 636,906
Budget vs. Actual shortfall (this does not represent a cash shortfall)	<u>(\$144,832)</u>

Missions (Global Advance, Short Term Missions, Home Missions, Refugee Sponsorship, etc)

\$81,862

Building Fund

New building funds raised as of June 30, 2021 (Reach Beyond and Flourish)	\$ 2,234,788
New building funds raised July 1, 2021 to May 25, 2022	\$ 302,286
Less - New building expenses July 1, 2021 to May 25, 2022	<u>(\$65,524)</u>
Net building funds raised as of May 25, 2022	[A] \$2,471,550
Total Family Centre Building Replacement Value (BRV) Received	[B] \$ 2,862,408
Auditorium sale - land & building	[C] \$ 1,340,857
North Business Park land & building	[D] (\$10,860,417)
Total building fund net of all expenses	[A]+[B]+[C]-[D] <u>-\$ 4,185,602</u>

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ELDERS UP FOR ELECTION OR RE-ELECTION

The Nominating Committee nominates the following members as Elders for a two-year term:

Clark Mills, 2-year term re-election
Linnaea Anderson, 2-year term re-election
Jay Ridderikhoff, 2-year term re-election
Sue Fulmore, 2-year term election
Teri Rebagliati, 2-year term election

ELDERS CURRENTLY SERVING

Dan Kehler, **Rob Davidson**, and **Jack Adkins** are currently serving a two-year term.

In keeping with our local church constitution: Other nominations, if any, shall be made in writing, signed by two members in good standing and filed with the chairman of the nominating committee for posting on the Sunday prior to the annual meeting (Spring Converge).

APPRENTICE APPOINTMENT

Apprentices are not elected, but rather appointed by the Board of Elders. Apprentices go through a process of mentorship and growth and could potentially be available to serve as elders following this process.

Jeff Nixon, 1-year term apprentice

2021 NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

February 9, 2015, the Board of Elders passed a motion to entrust the task of nominating from the general membership a minimum of two individuals for election at the annual general meeting. As such, the present Nominating Committee has nominated the following members to represent the general membership on the 2023 Nominating Committee:

Kelsey Sawatzky
Tammy Nelson

Members can also nominate others from the floor at the annual finance meeting (Fall Converge).

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Kehler, Board Chair
Nominating Committee Chair

2022 Nominating Committee Members:

Sam Kinniburgh (Elected Member)
Glen Nelson (Elected Member)
Rob Davison (Board Representative)
Linnaea Anderson (Board Representative)
Dan Kehler (Board Representative)

NOMINATED ELDERS



Linnaea Anderson

Linnaea has attended SPAC for 10 + years. She is the proud owner of her furry babies, Loki and Keltie.

Linnaea works as an Assistant Principal at a local High School and completed her master's degree in 2019.

Linnaea's ministry experience includes: SPAC Youth small group leader, Nursery leader and Elder Board Apprentice and Elder.

Sue Fulmore

Sue and her husband Gary have been married for just about 37 years, and are the long-distance parents of two adult daughters, Rachel (Toronto) and Ellyce (Calgary). They began attending SPAC when their oldest was just a baby.

Sue is a freelance writer and speaker and has been featured in numerous publications since beginning her writing career a few years ago.

Sue's ministry experience at SPAC includes; board apprentice, life group leader, prayer team member, decorator, and women's ministry leader. She has loved all of her roles at SPAC over the years and looks forward to many more years of ministry here.



Clark Mills

Clark and his wife, Debi, have been married for 46 years. They have a daughter and a son. Miranda and her family live in Toronto and Carson and Lara reside in Stony Plain. Six grandchildren bring them enormous joy!

Clark and Debi have been part of the SPAC family since 1977. Clark has served on the SPAC Elders Board in the past spanning several decades. He enjoys participating on one of our worship teams and takes a keen interest in sound engineering and tech support.

Clark and Debi have worked together at Shiloh Chiropractic Clinic for some 45 years. Clark has served professionally on the Alberta College and Association of Chiropractors council for many years and currently serves on the Canadian Chiropractic Association Board of Directors. He has also served on the Board of Directors of World Relief Canada [Tearfund Canada] and most recently on our National Board of Directors of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Canada.



Teri Rebagliati

Teri and her husband, Perry, have been married 37 years. They have two grown children. Desiree married to Shaun with two children Lyla (9) & Lennox (6). Dustin married to Veronica with Wells (2) and a baby Miles (8 months old). Perry and Teri met as teens working for McDonald's. Perry continued his way up the corporate ladder with McDonalds' for 28 years and for 14 years they have been franchise owners living in the Spruce Grove area for the past 6 years.

Teri and Perry have been attending SPAC since the spring of 2018.

Teri's ministry experience at SPAC includes: First Impressions; Elder Apprentice.



Jason Ridderikhoff

Jay and his wife Christine have been married for 31 years. They have 4 adult children.

Their family has attended SPAC since 1995.

Jay has worked as a researcher in the Pharmaceutical Industry for 23 years and is currently the Global Head of Quality at his company.

Jay's ministry experience at SPAC includes: Board of Elders, Children's Ministry, and Short Term Missions.

NOMINATED APPRENTICE

Jeff Nixon

Jeff and his wife, Tayce, have been married almost 14 years. They have three children, Emery, Adalynne and Hartley.

Jeff currently works for Alberta Municipal Affairs. As well as providing advisory support to municipalities in the areas of governance, administration and legislative compliance, Jeff also assists not-for-profits and the private sector with strategic growth, branding, and best-practice governance through his firm he founded in 2009, Synergist Communications and Consulting.

Jeff has been attending SPAC since 1999, and attending youth events since he can remember. Jeff also has been part of SPAC's worship team over the past twenty years.







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