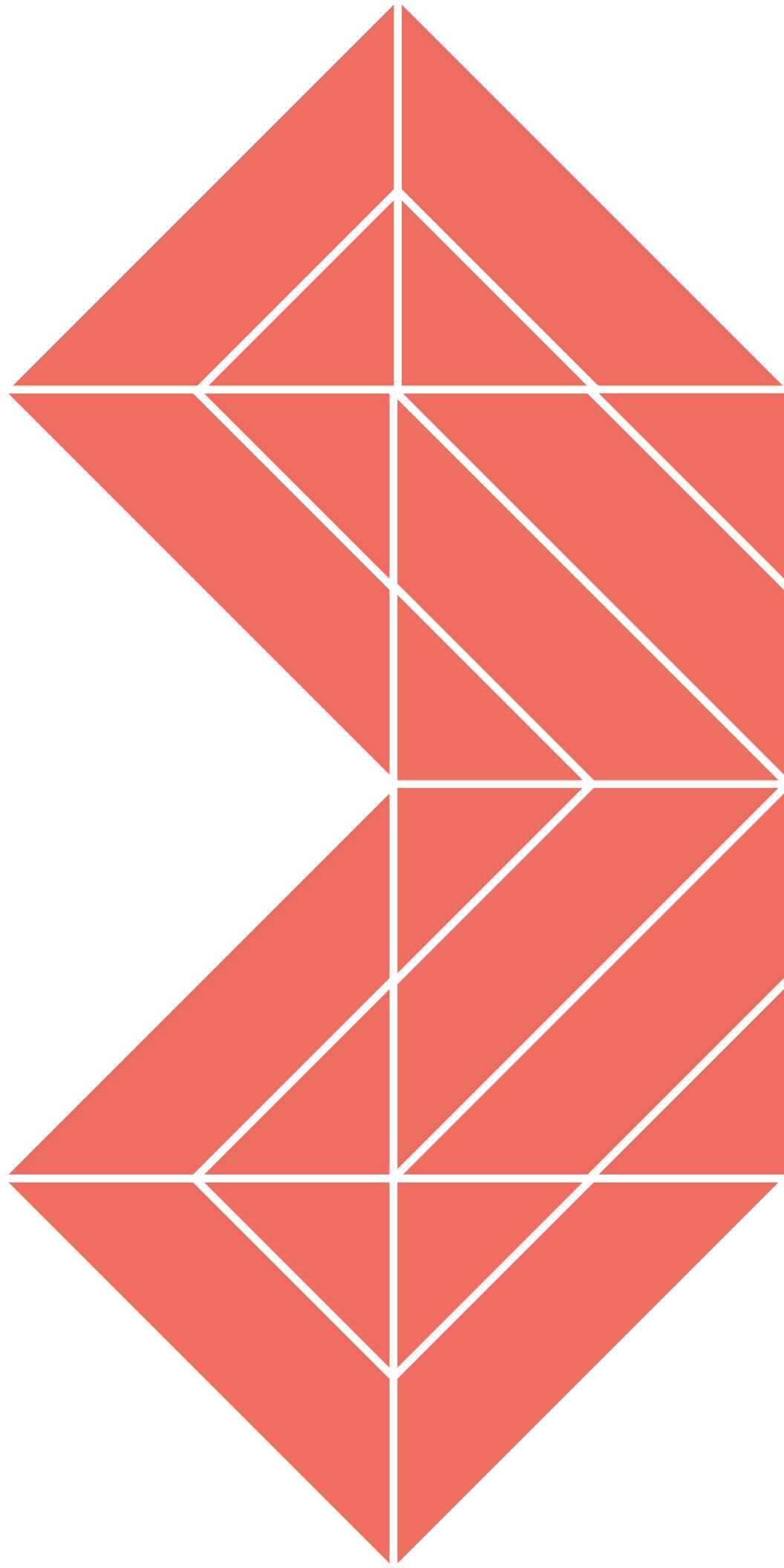


SPRING 2024
JUNE 18 @ 7PM

CONVERGE



STONY PLAIN
ALLIANCE CHURCH



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IMPORTANT INFO

In preparing for our 2024 Spring Converge, here are some very important pieces of information that we would like you to be aware of:

DATE | Tuesday, June 18, 2024
7:00pm - Dessert Potluck
7:30pm - Converge Meeting

LOCATION | SPAC Foyer

POTLUCK DETAILS

- Please bring a dessert or fruit to share. Coffee and tea will be provided.

ENGAGEMENT

- During the Converge Meeting there is always opportunity for questions from the floor.

VOTING

- Please note that only formal members of SPAC are eligible to vote during the meeting.
- Voting ballots will be distributed upon arrival with the elder nominations listed and those will be collected and tallied in-person during the meeting.

AGENDA

7:00pm - Dessert Potluck

7:30pm - AGM Opening

1. Call To Order
2. AGM Session Rules Explained
3. Adopt Agenda
4. Adopt Minutes
5. Devotional & Ministry Report
6. New Business:
 - 2024-25 budget
7. Nominating Committee Report; Elder Votes and Election Results
8. Adjourn Meeting/Close in prayer

FALL CONVERGE MINUTES

Stony Plain Alliance Church
Fall Converge Minutes — November 21, 2023

1. **Call to Order**

Linnaea Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:08pm. 42 people (31 members + 11 adherents) in attendance.

2. **AGM Rules Explained**

Linnaea explained how the meeting will be held and votes conducted.

3. **Adoption of Agenda**

Moved by Jack Adkins and seconded by Sue Fulmore that the agenda be accepted as presented.
Carried.

4. **Adopt Minutes of Spring Converge 2023**

Moved by Clark Mills and seconded by Carol Wolfe that the Spring Converge (June 20, 2023) meeting minutes be accepted as presented.
Carried.

5. **Financial Statements Presentation**

Rob acknowledged and gave thanks to Lorraine Robinson for her work with our books. Jason Kennedy, our accountant, confirmed our books arrived to him again this year in very good condition. Nothing came to his attention to suggest the statements do not with the accounting standards that we have to abide by.

Rob referenced page 11 of the Converge package, that our cash on hand has gone down from \$423,433 last year to \$160,117 as of June 30 this year. This is the area Kennedy flagged as of most concern. The interest rates are a toll on our liquidity.

Our liabilities are all in line with where they should be. Nothing or new to report on this.

Page 12 demonstrates that General revenues, including the capital fund, have increased \$321,226 year over year.

The Expenses demonstrate that interest on the long-term debt has over

doubled to be at \$260,047 but areas like Office, Staff Support and our District budget have all gone down. In Other Income, there have been big reductions in AdKids Ministries, Programming, Events, Promotions and Youth Ministry. As per our budget passed at Spring Converge, all non-essential line items have been cut drastically back, if not eliminated, and this continues to be monitored closely by the staff.

Page 12 also shows where we are at with our assets, which demonstrates no noticeable change.

In reference to our cash flow position, the board has voted to form a finance committee to monitor, evaluate and consider how to continue to navigate our finances for the remainder of the budget year. This committee consists of our Board Chair, Linnaea, Vice-chair Jay, Lead Pastor Wade, Executive Pastor Kimberly and Treasurer, Rob. We have already met once and will continue to have regular meetings as we discuss and consider all options.

There are also some amazing moments over the last few months when God has shown us how he does have a plan for us and our finances and wants to keep being faithful. In August we received a \$100,000 donation (\$75,000 to General Funds and \$25,000 to our IWs) and in October we received two \$30,000 donations. These extraordinary gifts allowed us to meet budget for those months for the first time in years.

In conclusion, we have seen so many new people come through our doors.

We have had a record number of attendees to our newcomers' lunches.

Lots of people who are officially saying they want to call SPAC their home by becoming members.

We are hearing life transforming stories from people who have gotten baptized recently (around 25 in total in 2023).

I've heard from people who hear our message of Fullness of Life for Everyone, and they want to be a part of that.

There are some things you just can't put a price on.

Question: Will the finance committee be in communication with the WCD regarding our financial position?

Answer: Communication with the WCD is part of the options the finance committee is exploring.

Moved by Harm Mulder and seconded by Brent Robinson, that the 2023 Financial Statements, presented by Hawkings Tinney LLP, be accepted as presented.

Carried.

6. Prayer around tables and Adjournment at 7:41 pm.

Motion to adjourn by Dan Kehler, seconded by Rob Davidson.

Carried.

MINISTRY REPORTS

WADE PATON | LEAD PASTOR

*See, I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not
perceive it? I am making a way in
the wilderness and streams in the
wasteland.*

Isaiah 43:19

It's not always easy to see the new things God is doing. To perceive ways in a wilderness where few travel or watch water appear in parched places takes a certain way of seeing. Much like being aware of the in-breaking Kingdom of God in daily life, we may be anticipating a big and impressive display of Divine intervention, when, in reality, it more often happens like a bubbling-up in the seemingly mundane. This new way of seeing and identifying where the Kingdom of God is 'bubbling-up' all around us has been an intentional practice of ours over the last year.

As a staff we asked Jesus to open our eyes to the right now Kingdom of God and then committed ourselves to being witnesses of what we were seeing. I can testify in truth to you today that God has been abundantly generous in showing us what it looks like when His kingdom comes, and His will is done here like it is in heaven.

As you turn the pages of this report it is possible to read each entry as a simple recollecting of things that tend to happen in churches. You could turn to the budget section and see an accounting of our financial position. It is possible to read this document as the function of a charitable entity in Canada called

Stony Plain Alliance. We can do it that way, but I would invite you to take an alternative approach.

There's a story being told in these reports that all point to one Source of life, redemption, forgiveness and mercy. By putting on a Kingdom lens as you begin to move through this unfolding testimony, you will see Jesus and how he has been faithful to this community over the last year. What you will find in the ministry reports that follow are some examples of the bubbling up that we've been invited to be aware of and share with one another. In the financial accounting you will see God being generous and lives being set free from the grip of greed and scarcity.

Behind the numbers and statistics there are almost innumerable moments of breakthrough that count as the in-breaking of the Kingdom. Every baptism counts. Every profession of faith counts. Every word of encouragement and every prayer that was prayed counts. Every moment of decision where someone chose to take that next step into Jesus counts. Every moment of broken bread and consumed cup counts as what it looks like for the Kingdom of God to be at hand as we practice the way of Jesus together. Every act of service, whether seen or unseen, counts. Every instance of someone choosing the open hand instead of the closed fist, and every invitation of hospitality counts as heaven coming to earth in the lives of people like you and me. Every act of

justice and mercy, of giving ourselves away for the sake of another as we live in active resistance against hate, polarization, and all the 'ism's' that dominate our world, count as a pushing back of the darkness so the light can shine more brightly. Every song, every act of gentleness, every lament and every praise, it all counts.

This is what the bubbling up of the Kingdom looks like in a community like ours. This is what the journey of Fullness of Life for everyone is about as we practice the way of Jesus together. And it is an unspeakable gift to be on this adventure with all of you.

We have the privilege of being part of the new thing that God is doing in this time and place as he opens ways in the wilderness and causes streams to appear in the wastelands. Thank you for your participation with Jesus in being a conduit of His Kingdom here at SPAC, in Parkland County and all around the world. It counts and I pray that the year to come will overflow with more of Jesus in every area of our lives and church.

Peace,
Wade

SPAC Justice and Compassion

A new team was formed this past year that exists to help SPAC engage in God's work in the world. We do this by focusing on four strategic areas: PRAY. EDUCATE. INSPIRE. SUPPORT.

One of the main tasks of this team is to work together to form and nurture ministry partnerships, locally and globally, that open opportunities for us as a church to be active in doing justice, loving mercy and walking humbly with God. (Micah 6:8)

Some the highlights have been:

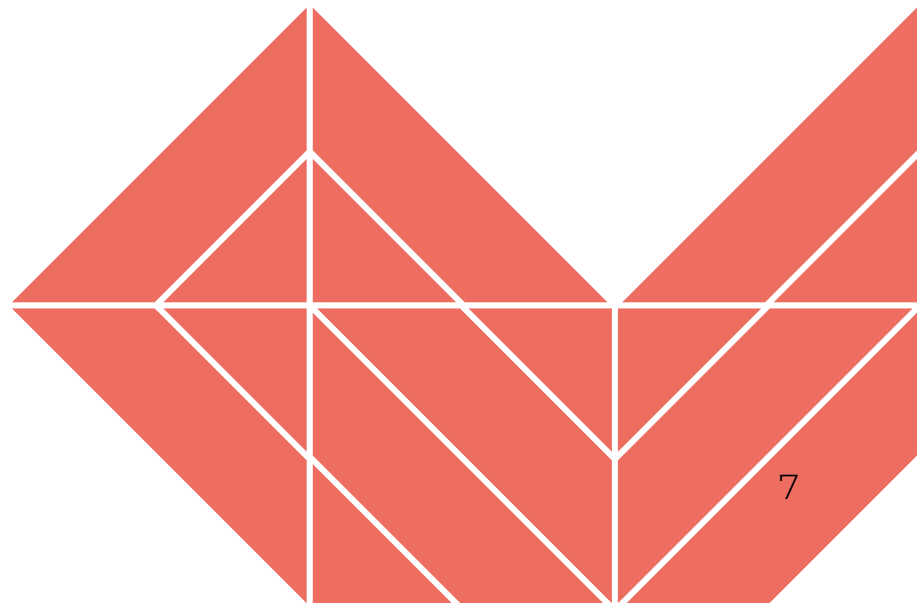
Re-establishing a partnership with Impact Guatemala.

Enhancing our relationship with Neighbourlink Parkland.

Our on-going commitment to supporting Ray and Cindy Perry in Mexico as well as M serving in Asia.

Listening to community leaders about how we can be more active in being good news to Parkland County.

Thank-you to Janessa Ryan, Shara-Rae Jansen, Aimee and Dan Kehler, Vange Weins, Steve Paddon, Emalee Lane and Linda Stover for your commitment in helping us engage with God's work in the world.



AMANDA KRAUSE | *CHILDREN'S PASTOR*

This year was full of joy in AdventureKids! Together we learned about the life and ministry of Jesus in a number of new ways, and we learned how to grow closer to him and shine his light into the world. Throughout the year AdventureKids has continued to be a place where the Kingdom of God has bubbled up, shone through, and revealed the ways that God is at work in our midst.

In this past year we have regularly had close to 75 children present with us on Sunday mornings, often including a handful of guests. We celebrated together a total of 3 student baptisms, and we have more on the horizon as our students continue to make the choice to follow Jesus. This year we also began to take an offering as AdventureKids, and together we raised a total of \$140 which goes toward different community connections: between September - December we raised funds to offer gifts at the Giving Tree, and since then we have been collecting offering to help support Impact Ministries, and the work they do in Guatemala.

We are now gearing up for our summer programming—this year we will “Start the Party” and spend the summer months celebrating the Good News of the Gospel. Together we will be reminded of the ways that Jesus is Good News—how he gives us friendship, belonging, forgiveness, abundant life, and purpose.

In the middle of summer we will also be sailing away to Adventure Cove—this year's VBS! Over the course of

three days, the children in our community will explore what it means to dive into life with Jesus by learning three key truths: that we are called, treasured, and saved! Throughout our time in Adventure Cove, our children will encounter Christ through games, crafts, activities, stories, relationship, and more!

Our SPAC Moms group continues to meet regularly on alternating Wednesdays throughout the year. We have seen some new moms from the area join this year, we have welcomed new babies, and we have made some partnerships that will allow for moms and kids to join who would not regularly have access to transportation for these events, which we celebrate!

SPAC Young Families took a pause this year, as we did not have a team to create and support the events we would like to put on. In the coming year we hope to see a rise in interest so that we may offer a few family events. We would also love to have the chance to offer family learning opportunities and are praying over what that could look like moving forward.

AdventureKids is a bright, shining point that continues to grow in our church community. It has been beautiful to witness the ways in which the Spirit has been moving, and there is a certainty that there is even more in store as we move into another new season. Thank you all for your continued support, encouragement, and prayer!



BEN MUELLER | *YOUTH PASTOR*

SPACYOUTH

At SPACYOUTH, we decided to try out a few new things this year regarding our structure and schedule, as we wanted to create an atmosphere that best suits our students needs. The first change involved splitting up our Jr. and Sr. High into two distinct groups. Each now has their own individual space, schedule, games, and teaching. This primarily affects our small group nights, but we've done it for events as well! This change has allowed for better relationship building between peer relationships and student-to-leader relationships.

In addition, we made changes to our calendar about halfway through this ministry year as our leadership team felt like there was a need to focus on relationship-building. To do this, we added more fun events as we find that's the best way for students to connect with each other and is beneficial for our leaders to connect with them. During the year, I've seen relationships deepen and comments made that make me believe that the changes we made have helped foster deeper relationships within our community.

We've had quite a few Friday night events this year, which include our annual Camp Nakamun Retreat, a Parkland Youth Rally, a 780 Youth Rally, a hockey game at Rogers, and Overnight Laser Tag. These events are always full of energy and are a time where we get to live into the joy that Jesus offers!

The topics we covered during our small group nights this year were: Kingdom Stories (explaining what God's kingdom really is), Mental Health Night; Mindful (a follow up series after Mental Health night); Together (being unified



in a divided world); a Prayer and Worship Night (joined by our Prayer Team); Q&A Night (answering our students questions).

We had three students baptized on Palm Sunday, and currently have a few more who are interested! It's such a blessing to see them have a desire to want to walk in the direction of Jesus.

I've been so blessed to be able to work with such an amazing group of students, as they bring me joy and always give me new ways of thinking about things with their truly thoughtful questions. I'm so grateful for our leadership team as well; they have served so willingly and faithfully during this year. Thank you all for being the best group of students and leaders I could ask for! I'm excited to see all that Jesus has in store for our community!

SPAC Young Adults

Wade led our young adults ministry over the past year. The emphasis was on small group nights with a focus on a discussion-based study of scripture. The questions that were asked were insightful and promoted a quality of conversation that was honest, authentic, and sought to genuinely discover more about the person of Jesus.

This group came back under me (Ben) as the year started to close, and as we go forward we will be switching to a weekly gathering, as the bi-weekly frequency wasn't enough, focusing on a mix of small group studies and community-building events.



MATT KINNIBURGH | *SPIRITUAL FORMATION PASTOR*

As you read this I am currently on Sabbatical. Thank you for being the kind of church that cares for its staff and blesses them with time to stop, rest, delight, and worship. I am so grateful for this gift, and for the gift of you, my church community. It is a gift to apprentice with Jesus together with you, as he teaches us to walk in his way.

This past fall we launched a new intentional community called Apprenticeship Groups. These groups are designed around meeting in groups of 2-3 and practicing reading scripture, confession, and praying for others in our lives who don't know Jesus. There are a number of groups meeting currently, and I have been hearing stories about how it has been helpful for others to grow.

In Men's ministry we sought to build on last year's goal of connecting men together. The primary vehicle where that happened this year was our monthly men's breakfasts. These breakfasts were designed around sharing a great meal together (well done to our cooks - Michael Mackey, Raul Soria, and Brandon Dombroski - who came alongside our men's ministry team) and someone sharing their story of how they came to Jesus and what he's been up to in their lives. We also had our men's retreat this past January where we focused on abiding in Christ. I am grateful for the team I get to work with, they are passionate and I learn so much from them: Kendyl Cooper, Wade Hagman, John Ginter, and Kevin Nickaruk.

This past fall we relaunched the Alpha Marriage Course, which is an eight week course on growing marriages. Rob and Shauna Davidson did an

amazing job of leading it and I am so grateful for their engagement.

We hosted Alpha again this February to April. Alpha is an eleven week video course that creates a space for a conversation about life, faith and Jesus. The community around Alpha that was built was great and was led by a gifted group of leaders - Sue and Steve Paddon, Mark Turner, and Glen Nelson.

Every other Thursday afternoon the church foyer has been ringing with the joyful sounds of our Hymn Sings. These afternoons are filled with song and story, as they sing of the goodness of God and reflect on the ways God has been speaking to them. Afterwards there is a great and boisterous time of fellowship in the cafe. I am grateful for the Mulder's and Barnes' leadership over this time.

Our addiction recovery group has been faithfully meeting in person and online every Tuesday night. They are led by Sherry Sadleir, Lillian Helton, and Tony Caron.

Lastly, I have loved to delve deeper into the world of pastoral care. It is a deep space of joy for me to walk in my shepherd gifting and watch as Jesus ministers to people. It is a privilege to walk with people as they walk with Jesus, helping to learn his voice, to see what it means to live lives of apprenticeship in our context.

I am grateful to Jesus that he has entrusted me to be a part of the staff team here, and look forward to what he will be up to in the coming year.

Grace and Peace.

KIMBERLY MCELROY | *EXECUTIVE PASTOR*

SPAC Women

Over the last year a new team has emerged to build and invest in the women of our church and larger community. Initially several of us gathered, prayed and just listened to what Jesus might have in mind in creating a space specific for women, while acknowledging that all women show up unique and seek different things in church community.

Jesus began to unfold a picture for us of a long family table that is set beautifully, where good food is shared between one another and where our stories are shared and entered into with one another.

In January and May 2024 we held our first two SPAC Women The Table events. Around 100 women gathered for an evening, ate great food, heard beautiful and hard stories, and saw ourselves in each other's stories.

We want SPAC Women to be a healing community where

- All women are on equal footing
- We reclaim our worth and value and choose love
- All stories and experiences are honoured
- All generations are honoured
- All life stages and circumstances are honoured
- Humility anchors us

We look forward to many more evenings of being together, hearing one another's journeys with Jesus, seeing ourselves in these stories and celebrating that is good that each one of us exists.



SHELEENA BOULIANNE | *WORSHIP PASTOR*

Worship

It has been a privilege to gather as a pastoral team week after week and listen to what Jesus has to say regarding our Sunday gatherings and to follow his leading. Our liturgies, rhythms, songs, prayers, preaching, and even the look and feel of our services flow out of a deep attentiveness to how Spirit is moving in our midst. It has been a joy to watch our worship teams join in that attentiveness and participate through prayer and practice. We are seeing new gifts being released in our midst, new pathways of worship being opened up, new leaders being developed, and new relationships being formed. The Table continues to be a significant highlight of our gatherings as we come to communion week after week, remembering Christ's sacrifice and receive his mercy afresh. We have also celebrated numerous baptisms, child dedications, and stories through Lent and Advent together. We are growing as a church that knows how to listen well, how to bless, and how to encourage. Well done SPAC!

Our special services (Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Blue Christmas, etc.) have allowed us to minister to the wider community as people enter our space and find peace – in fact, they encounter Peace himself. We have received much feedback around how our attentiveness to grief and lament is meeting a profound need in a world full of turmoil, anxiety, and loss. God is entrusting our community with precious children who are on their way to finding Jesus and need to know that their brokenness is not a barrier.

Our Encounter Nights are a special time for us to gather in worship and prayer in an unhurried environment every 5 or 6 weeks on Sunday evenings. This past year, we have explored themes of mercy, pursuing wisdom, having our truest desires awakened, surrendering to the love of God, having our hearts moved in

justice and compassion, and embracing Jesus' invitation to rest. Every evening has been unique in the way that Spirit leads and guides and our responsiveness has led to much healing, freedom, and breakthrough for individuals and our congregation. Our posture is expectation. Our response is surrender. Our privilege is asking. Our joy is receiving.

We have a Worship Lead Team continuing to grow and dream together which has been a wonderful source of encouragement and collective discernment. We look forward to what Jesus has in store for the next ministry year, especially around songwriting and team skill development. Speaking of songwriting, Jesus is in the process of uncapping wells of creativity in our midst that we want to keep giving space for.

Prayer

This past year has brought tremendous growth and momentum in the area of prayer. Our Sunday Prayer Ministry Team has seen the addition of many new intercessors – some looking to learn and be mentored simply in obedience to a whisper of Spirit. These people have been God's timely provision for a congregation moving steadily toward responsiveness and courage in asking for prayer. Even as this team prays for our staff and volunteers each Sunday morning and through the week, they are also cultivating an attentiveness to what Spirit is doing and have countless stories of being granted kingdom eyes to see how Jesus is breaking into our midst.

We have an active online group of around 75 PrayerLink intercessors who respond to congregational prayer requests as they come as well as pray for upcoming events, baptisms, series, etc. What a gift to be a community so committed to growing in this area!

Another wonderful highlight of this year was having our Prayer Leadership Team join SPACYOUTH for a night of modelling different prayer practices. Some of our worship ministry volunteers started the evening with worship before students broke off into different groups and visited a number of different prayer practice stations. The kingdom is near when generations come together and learn from one another.

Life Groups

There are over 150 people in our church who are seeking to practice the way of Jesus together in life groups. This year, many people took the courageous and vulnerable step of joining an intentional community and some said yes to

facilitating a group for the very first time.

These groups all look very different and meet different needs. Some meet weekly; others have a rotating schedule. Some meet in homes; others at the church. Some read books or watch videos; others use our sermon discussion guides and other church-wide resources. Some are demographic-specific; others are intergenerational. Some are affinity-based; others are as diverse as can be. What holds all these groups together is a commitment to keeping the unity of the Spirit as they share in life's ups and downs, honour and value one another's unique stories and perspectives, and journey into an ever-increasing awareness of the kingdom of God and person of Christ.



BUDGET

Stony Plain Alliance Church
GENERAL FUND
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

	Full year July-June 2024/2025 BUDGET	Full year July-June 2023/2024 BUDGET	Full year July-June 2022/2023 BUDGET
General Fund Income	\$1,107,367	\$1,239,939	\$1,321,914
Direct Ministry Costs (net of cost recovery):			
Adventure Ministries	\$5,757	\$5,757	\$7,126
Youth Ministry	\$7,216	\$6,865	\$8,000
Young Adults	\$765	\$765	\$900
Adults	\$10,966	\$10,744	\$11,438
Community Engagement	\$6,200	\$11,600	\$14,500
Worship and Creative Arts	\$11,192	\$11,420	\$9,700
Missions (does not include congregant missions giving)	\$5,750	\$650	\$10,650
Events & Promotion	\$9,822	\$10,722	\$17,110
	\$57,668	\$58,523	\$79,424
Staffing & Training Expenses:			
Payroll (Wages & Employer Costs + Group Benefits)	\$683,000	\$640,000	\$671,000
Staff Support			
Gifts - pastoral and support	\$280	\$280	\$500
Books and Subscriptions	\$0	\$0	\$3,250
Continuing Education	\$1,400	\$1,200	\$14,000
Denominational Conferences	\$2,712	\$3,000	\$7,800
Meals	\$4,050	\$2,700	\$5,400
Mileage	\$5,000	\$4,000	\$6,000
Cell Phone	\$5,040	\$4,320	\$4,680
Candidating & Moving Costs	\$0	\$0	\$11,000
Staff and Elder training & events	\$2,645	\$5,595	\$6,700
	\$704,127	\$661,095	\$730,330
Office & Administration Expenses			
Office			
Office Rent - Park House	\$0	\$0	\$0
Computer software & tech support	\$14,145	\$19,127	\$23,100
Copier lease and service	\$6,412	\$6,412	\$7,780
Postage & Courier	\$600	\$1,800	\$2,500
Office Supplies	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,500
Service Charges, Licenses & Subscriptions	\$12,180	\$11,380	\$10,900
	\$35,337	\$40,719	\$46,780
Building Expenses:			
Mortgage - Principal & Int. payments	\$123,000	\$342,525	\$312,000
Sunday Space - LWCA Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0
Utilities	\$52,200	\$48,120	\$42,900
Garbage Removal	\$1,836	\$1,836	\$2,700
Repairs & Maintenance	\$42,498	\$39,411	\$31,730
Cleaning Supplies	\$2,800	\$2,320	\$3,800
	\$222,334	\$434,212	\$393,130
Capital Expenses	\$5,800	\$7,000	\$5,000
Amortization	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Expenses:			
District Operating Budget (3% of general fund)	\$33,221	n/a	\$27,000
Insurance	\$18,506	\$20,406	\$13,250
Cemetery - Maintenance	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500
Cemetery - Expansion	\$0	\$0	\$0
Reserve Fund (1% of general fund)	\$11,074	n/a	\$9,000
Professional Fees	\$8,800	\$7,485	\$7,500
	\$82,101	\$38,391	\$67,250
Income Net of Expenses	\$0	(\$0)	\$0

GIVING REPORT

Giving From July 1, 2023 to May 23, 2024
Our fiscal year is July 1 to June 30.
The numbers below represent 47 of 52 weeks.

GENERAL FUND

Budget as of May 23, 2024 (includes all mortgage and interest costs)	\$ 1,120,714
Actual received as of May 23, 2024	\$ 973,238
Budget vs. actual shortfall (this does not represent a cash shortfall)	(\$147,476)

MISSIONS (Global Advance, Short Term Missions, etc.)	\$ 71,985
Short term missions reserved funds	\$ 15,473

BUILDING | 2 KEYSTONE DRIVE

Loans payable to Western Canadian District of Alliance Canada	\$ 3,533,041.83
	\$ 522,910.59
	\$ 4,055,952.42



NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ELDERS UP FOR ELECTION OR RE-ELECTION

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

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

ELDERS CURRENTLY SERVING

Rob Davidson, Jack Adkins, and Jeff Nixon, 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).*

ELDERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED OR RESIGNED THEIR SERVE

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.

Anita Ripmeester, 1-year term apprentice
Nathan Rintisch, 1-year term apprentice

2024 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 2025 Nominating Committee:

Al Voth
Brenda Hankinson

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

Respectfully submitted,



Wade Paton, *Lead Pastor*
Nominating Committee Chair

2024 Nominating Committee Members:

Lani Lupul (Elected Member)
Sheralee Tinney (Elected Member)
Jack Adkins (Board Representative)
Rob Davidson (Board Representative)
Kimberly McElroy (Executive Pastor)
Wade Paton (Lead Pastor)

NOMINATED ELDERS



LINNAEA ANDERSON

Linnaea has attended SPAC for 13+ years. She is the proud owner of her furry baby, Keltie.

Linnaea works as a Principal at a local K-9 school and completed her Master's Degree in 2019.

Linnaea's ministry experience includes: SPACYOUTH leader, Nursery leader and Elder Board Apprentice and Elder.



SUE FULMORE

Sue and her husband Gary are long-distance parents of two adult daughters, Rachel (Toronto) and Ellyce (Calgary). They began attending SPAC since the early 90's (yes we are old!).

Sue is a freelance writer and part time florist as well as being semi-retired. Sue prefers tea over coffee, baking to cooking, and will always find new ways to express her creativity.

Her ministry experience at SPAC includes: board member, life group leader, prayer team member, decorator, and women's ministry leader.

Being part of this faith community has been a huge blessing over the years, and being able to offer her gifts in ministry is a significant part of that. Sue looks forward to many more years of being formed within this community.

CLARK MILLS

Clark and his wife, Debi, have been married for 48 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



JASON RIDDERIKHOFF

Jay and his wife Christine have been married for 33 years. They have 4 adult children.

Their family has attended SPAC since 1995.

Jay has worked as a researcher in the Pharmaceutical Industry for 25 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 APPRENTICES



ANITA RIPMEESTER

Anita and her husband, Matt, have been married almost 10 years. They have 2 children, Leo (almost 4) and Mason (19 months).

Anita has worked as a Speech-Language Pathologist for 7 years and currently works for Parkland School Division.

Anita and her family have been attending SPAC since about 2019. Anita's ministry experience at SPAC over the years includes: Adventurekids, SPAC Moms, and Life Group Leadership.

NATHAN RINTISCH

Nathan and his wife, Amanda, have been married nearly 19 years. They have two amazing children, Elaina (12) and Flynn (10).

Nathan has worked in restaurants for the majority of his career, but wholly believes it's been his time as a husband and a stay-at-home dad, that really taught him about what's important in this world.

Nathan and his family have been attending SPAC since mid-late Covid. Nathan's ministry experience at SPAC includes singing on the worship team & leading a life group.



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