We would like to extend a heartfelt <u>**Thank You**</u> to the Young Adults Group for the beautiful job decorating the church for Christmas . It looks and definitely feels like Christmas at East Side!

# TALK IT OUT - Postponed till Dec 7th

**TUESDAY AT 7:00 pm** Online ZOOM Group. Call the office to send you a link or enter on **ZOOM APP Meeting ID: 248 149 1644**. Everyone welcome! Check the East Side website; **Small Group Bible Study** for more information.

# Christ's Birthday Offering

Every Christmas East Side participates with our sister churches across North America in the "Christ's Birthday Offering" (CBO) This over-and-above offering will be received up to and on Sunday, Dec 19th.

## The CBO projects are:

International: Church of God Missionary Support Regional: 4 Re-Developing congregations in Western Canada

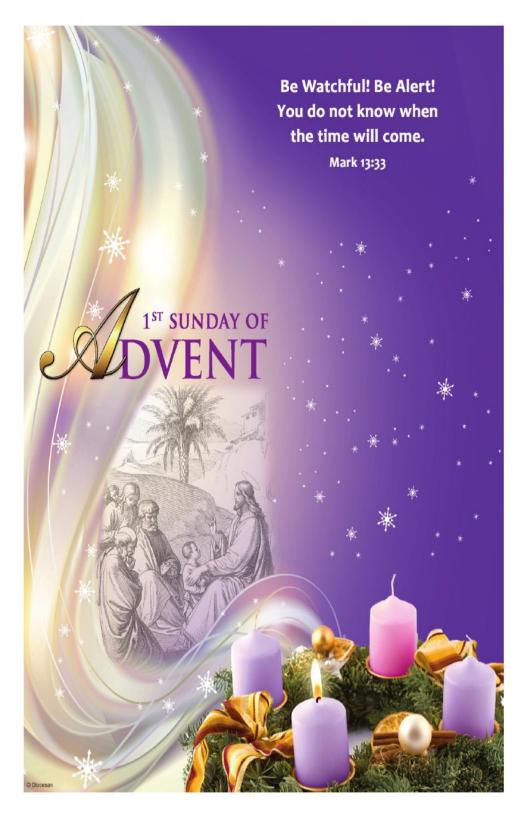
Local: We are invited to add some projects that appeal to our local congregation.

## 2 projects have been selected:

- **B.C. Flood Relief** We are giving to support some local churches in the flood damaged areas that are seeking to minister to the needs of people in their communities.
- Christmas Blessing Packages for 2021 with VOMC focuses on specific persecuted nation, working closely with in-country ministry partners to provide packages containing practical items. This year VOMC is partnering with local churches in Tunisia and Morocco to provide gift packages to persecuted Christians. Each package costs approximately \$50 USD (bless 2200 children,1100 from each country)

# **East Side Church Staff**

Lead Pastor: Kevin Snyder Worship Arts Pastor: Dave Smith Director of Care & Women's Ministries: Shauna Friesen Family Ministry Director: Jennifer Klassen Pastor of Discipleship and Student Ministries: Drew Weber Associate Pastor of Youth Ministry: Parker Wall Administrative Secretary: Tracey Stienley Communications/ Online Productions : Corie Lanceleve



## **BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART**

Matthew 5:8 U-Turn: Advent #1 Nov 28/21

#### <u>Intro</u>

What criteria did God use in choosing people? Isaiah 53:2

### <u>O.T.</u>

- Israel Deut 7:6 7
- Moses *Ex 4: 10 10*
- Gideon Judges 6: 15
- Jeremiah Jeremiah 1: 4 6 David - 1 Sam 16:7

# <u>N.T.</u>

- 1 Peter 3: 2 4 ; 1 Corinthians 1: 26 30
- Joseph Matt 1: 19 25; Luke 2: 22, 39
  Mary Luke 1: 26 38

## **Application:**

Psalm 24:3,4 Point: Pure Hearts Are Remade Hearts

## **Purifying Process**

Jesus is Filter - 1 John 1:9; Titus 3:3-7 (NIRV) Jesus changes the filters - Titus 1:15 -

- Focus on going in a new direction becoming like Jesus Col 3: 1 10
- Feed your mind the good, pure, godly. *Phil 4: 8* Guard your influences - *Proverbs 4:23* -

#### **Discussion Questions**

What are some "weaknesses" that have been passed down in your family tree?

What ethical and theological issues does this technology raise for you?

Talk about the spiritual discipline of confession. What are the difficulties, costs, and benefits? How have you experienced confession – it's practice and effects??

What criteria do you believe God uses to select his servants? How does that speak to you?

What practical strategies have you found helpful to growing and guarding the purity of your heart?

What is one thing God impressed upon your heart through this message? What are you going to do about it?





Tuesday, December 21, 7:00PM—8:00PM Location: Eastside Church of God 2105 Adams Street, Swift Current SK.

Please join us in honoring the loved ones we have lost, no matter how long it has been, with this unique service that will bless and encourage you in this difficult season.



Our heart for worship and prayer is to help people connect with God in meaningful ways and to cultivate an atmosphere and an experience that encourages communion between God and His people. We want to invite you to join us for a night of worship and prayer where we can connect with each other, but more importantly, connect with God Himself. We are creating a time to gather, to worship, to encourage, and to pray! We believe, now more than ever, we need to come together, to unite, and to lift up the name of Jesus through prayer and through praise. We believe that worship and prayer leads to healing and where the cries of our hearts can be heard, by the One we all need the most - Jesus. **Come join us Tuesday, November 30th at 7 pm.**