

August 2023 Financial Report			Change	
	Actual	Monthly Budget	Difference	From Last Year
Gen. Fund Income	21,875.39	29,408	(7,533)	-1.67%
Gen. Fund Expenses	21,148.81	28,498	(7,349)	-17.66%
Surplus (Deficit)	726.58	910		
Year-to-Date: July - August			Change	
	Actual	2 Months' Budget	Difference	From Last Year
Gen. Fund Income	56,930.49	58,817	(1,886)	4.98%
Gen. Fund Expenses	42,633.49	56,996	(14,362)	-14.49%
Surplus (Deficit)	14,297.00	1,821		
General Fund Balance				
July 1 Balance	36,026	(after year-end adjustments)		
Year-to-Date Surplus	14,297			
Aug. 31 General Fund Balance:	50,323		Grade: B+	

August was a typical summer month for our General Fund in that both income and expenses were below budget. We had a small surplus for the month of \$726.58, which was enough to push our General Fund Balance over \$50,000. Crossing that threshold raises our grade level from a B to a B+!

Our expenses will certainly increase in September with our church programs resuming for a new school year. Now is a good time to also give to our Student Aid Fund, if you desire, so we can give financial help to local young people pursuing post-secondary Christian education. A special “thank you” to Georgine Nadeau for filling in as our bookkeeper this month. May God bless each gift and each person who gives to Him.

Keith Boody, Treasurer



Prairie Tabernacle

PTC Building a Community in Christlikeness

Sunday Morning Service
September 24, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
Pastor Jerred Andreas
“Celebration Sunday”

Coming Events

Sundays—Supervised NURSERY for 0-3 year olds is open at 9:30-11:45 a.m. Sign-in opens at 9:25 a.m. The Parent Room is open for infants.

Sundays—Discipleship for adults, TabTalks for teens, and children at 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Sundays—Youth 6:00-8:30 p.m., Blue Room, Eliana Nazari—leader.

Sundays—“God’s Awesomeness”; 6:30 p.m. Zoom, John Mills—leader. **No session this Sunday, September 24**—Resumes October 1.

October 1—Sunday Morning service 10:30 a.m. Colossians 1:15-23, Pastor Jerred

September 25—funeral for Mary Wiebe at Bethel Evangelical Missionary Church, 10:30 a.m. Graveside service immediately afterwards, then lunch and fellowship at Bethel EMC.

Tuesday, September 26—Tuesday Prayer Meeting Zoom, 7:00 p.m. Rita Fahlman from Olds Pregnancy Care will be our speaker.

Wednesdays—Women Prayer Warriors, praying for our children, Wednesdays 7:30 p.m., Blue Room, Donna Brouwer—leader.

September 30—“Right Side Up Parenting Seminar” 9am-4pm Bethel EMC.

October 16—Far East Broadcasting Friendship Dinner, Monday, 6:00 p.m. at Prairie College; Guest Speaker Victor Akhterov; Dinner is complimentary; RSVP to 800-565-3322 ext 175 before October 11.



God's Garden Bounty

Until Thanksgiving Sunday, there will be a table in the foyer where you can bring your extra produce to share with your church family and help yourself to what others have brought!

Missionary of the Week Terry and Joanie Wiley, Africa Inland Mission Canada



After working in Pakistan for 24 years, Terry & Joanie began serving the Ethiopian Church. As a global missions coach since 2018, Terry makes regular extended trips to Ethiopia to support the Church in its vision of reaching the unreached, both within Ethiopia as well as abroad. Terry and Joanie joined AIM in July 2022. In Terry’s role of organizational coach and mentor, he desires to prepare young emerging Ethiopian leaders to serve as kingdom-minded global leaders with godliness and competence.

Joanie serves as Administrative Assistant and Child Safety point person for the Northern Region, a role she enjoys immensely. Terry and Joanie have 3 adult children (all married), 4 grandchildren, and one more on the way.

Ladies Bible Study

The story of Ruth begins with the worst—death, famine, and poverty. And God remains silent. But the book of Ruth doesn’t end with despair. The story brims with hope because God works on behalf of the two widows in ways they least expect. Ruth reminds us that God moves behind the scenes in our lives. On the surface, this book tells the story of two widows and a kind land-owner. Even more, it teaches us about God’s faithfulness, love, and providence.

Walk the journey of Ruth, Naomi, and Boaz and discover the devoted love of God and His transformative power in our lives.

Start Date: Thursday, September 28

End Date: Thursday, November 9

Place: Fireside Room

Time: 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Contact: Ruth-Anne Platt for more information

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Student Aid for Post-secondary Students

PTC has a Student Aid Fund to assist local young people who are getting post-secondary Christian training, and aiming to be involved in Christian ministry, whether as a volunteer or paid worker. The congregation is invited to designate gifts to the Student Aid Fund. Only gifts designated for the Student Aid Fund are used for this purpose.

Students who may qualify are invited to apply for funding; applications can be picked up at the church office. The Finance Committee plans to award grants later this Fall. (This is a different program than our Prairie College Student Bursaries, which are awarded in February or March.)



SHOEBOXES
Shoeboxes available in the foyer along with idea lists. Please return your shoeboxes by November 13.

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