

### UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Sabbath May 30 - Pathfinders Investiture

Sabbath June 6 - Pastor Liviu Tilihoi

Sabbath June 13 - Pastor Ghena Girleanu

### WEEKLY MEETINGS

Wednesdays: 7:00 pm - Prayer Meeting

Fridays: 7:00 pm - Youth Bible Study

Sabbaths: 8:00 am - Praying Parents

Sabbaths: 6:00 pm - Young Adult Bible Study

### UPCOMING EVENTS

May 31 - Men's Sports Day

June 6 - Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

June 7 - Justine Eldridge's Memorial

June 13 - Walk in the Park

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**SUNSET** Today ~ 9:30 pm / Next Week ~ 9:38 pm

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### NEXT WEEK

**Elder:** Pathfinders

**Worship Co-ordinator:** Grace Trconic

**Greeters:** Victoria / Tracy

**Deacon:** Daniel Sakson

**Audio:** Jade Vandergaast

**Visual:** Hayden Vandergaast

**Live Stream:** Bob Martin

**Offering:** Church Family Budget

# Calgary Central Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath, May 23, 2026

## The Last Test of Loyalty

Pastor Ghena Girleanu



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**Office Hours:** 9:30 am - 5:30 pm / Monday - Thursday

**Senior Pastor:** Ghena Girleanu

**Associate Pastors:** Liviu Tilihoi / Felix Richter

**Youth Pastor:** Boris Ruzindana

# THE CHURCH AT STUDY

9:30 am

**SABBATH SCHOOL LESSON**

Having Faith

**SANCTUARY TEACHER**

Joe McLaren

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

10:30 am

**PRAISE TIME**

Lidel Rivera

**EDUCATION & INSPIRATION**

Pathfinders Promotion

**PRAISE TIME**

Lidel Rivera

**CHURCH LIFE**

Pastor Ghena Girleanu

**INVOCATION**

Song & Prayer

**OPENING SONG**

"Standing on the Promises"

No. 518

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Keith Dubuc

**TITHES AND OFFERING**

Alberta Conference Advance

**OFFERTORY**

Stefanie Rivera

**CHILDREN'S STORY**

George Kazembe

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Revelation 13:16-18

Stella MacKay

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

"When Answer's Not Enough"

Grace Tronic

**SERMON**

"The Last Test of Loyalty"

Pastor Ghena Girleanu

**CLOSING SONG**

"O Brother, Be Faithful"

No. 602

**BENEDICTION**

Pastor Ghena Girleanu

**POSTLUDE**

Deacons Usher Out

**WORSHIP PIANIST:** Stefanie Rivera

**WORSHIP ORGANIST:** Christina Martin

# WELCOME

**MEMORIAL SERVICE** - A memorial service celebrating the life of Justine Eldridge will be held on June 7th at 2:00 pm at Central Church. All are welcome to attend and support the family during this time of loss. A reception will follow immediately after the service.

**CONFERENCE WIDE DAY OF PRAYER** - You are invited to join the Alberta Conference Day of Prayer today anytime from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm via zoom. For more information, please go to [www.albertaadventist.ca/madewhole](http://www.albertaadventist.ca/madewhole)

**BRIDGE PROGRAM** - Youth and young adults who have registered for the Bridge Program are warmly invited to join us today from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. We look forward to an evening of connection, growth, and fellowship together!

**YOUTH SPORTS DAY** - Calling all youth! Join us tomorrow, May 24th, for an evening of sports, laughter, and great fellowship. Volleyball and badminton from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Soccer and basketball from 7:00 pm to 9:00pm. Whether you love to compete or just want to hang out and have fun with friends, there's something for everyone. Don't miss out! Come ready to play, connect, and make great memories!

**PATHFINDER BIBLE EXPERIENCE (PBE)** - Are you curious and interested about joining the Pathfinder Bible Experience (PBE)? We are now open to accept Pathfinders for PBE 2027 due by May 30th. We are covering the book of Mark, 1 & 2 Peter, 1, 2 & 3 John. If you are joining or need more information, please contact (email, text, or call) Anthony & Wilma at [servitoo@hotmail.com](mailto:servitoo@hotmail.com) / (416) 803-4404.

**PRAYING PARENTS** - If you have children or grandchildren that have left the Lord, join us Sabbath mornings at 8:00 am for a 15 minute Zoom Prayer Session to pray for our children. Please contact Val or Scott Arbeau - [vsarbeau@gmail.com](mailto:vsarbeau@gmail.com) for the zoom link.

**LOST & FOUND** - Have you lost items that you cannot find? Please be sure to check the church's Lost & Found cupboard and look through the collection of water bottles, Bibles, glasses, clothing, and more.

CHURCH BUDGET	2026	MAY
As at May 15, 2026		
Need to maintain our facility and support our programs	\$276,525	\$23,044
Received so far this year/this month	\$108,234	\$18,655
<b>Building Fund Donations this Month</b>		\$5,832
Note: Tithe money does not fund the amount needed each month to operate the local church and its ministries		

**Donors, Please Note:** If donations received for a particular fund or project exceed those needed, the Church Board reserves the right to reallocate excess funds to other similar projects or to where most needed without further notice to the donor.

Our services are broadcast via live stream and digital recording. Church areas NOT shown during live streaming are on the balcony.

If you are a non-adventist visitor please connect with one of our Pastors after the service to receive a WELCOME GIFT.

Visit the Welcome Center if you require assistance with a meal for today or a three day food hamper.

# You are Invited

## Prayer Ministry



## *In-person meeting*

When : *May 23rd, 2026*  
Where : *Upper room (upstairs)*  
Time: *Immediately after divine service*  
Length: *Approximately 30 minutes*

*If The Holy Spirit moves you, please join us and prayerfully consider joining the Prayer Ministry.*

*No greater joy hath man, than to exercise the priviledge of opening our hearts to our Father in prayer and to lift up our neighbors before His throne.*

*Sign-up sheets also at the front desk*

Men's Ministry Presents:

MAY  
31ST



# MEN'S SPORTS DAY

16+

Soccer and  
Basketball



At Calgary Central Gym  
(please note the change in time)

From 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Snacks Provided

## VOLUNTEER TO BE HOSTS

Don't be shy to host!

No need to prepare a banquet, a simple meal will suffice (eg. Soup & Salad)



“**Surprise**” guest will be allocated to each host  
(A form for guests is located on the back of this page)

**Get to  
know  
your  
church  
family!**

# guess who's coming to dinner

Scan QR CODE



or fill out the form

PLACE IN MAILBOX #68 BY MAY 30TH

**I/We would like to HOST June, 6<sup>th</sup>**

and would like to serve \_\_\_\_\_ guests.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/cell No. : \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# VOLUNTEER TO BE GUESTS



- Nurture team will match up hosts and guests
- **Guests, pick up address of host in the Auditorium after church on June 6<sup>th</sup>**, then travel to the designated location for lunch
- For any concerns, call or text the Nurture Team at **(403)797-0000** if you have questions or are suddenly unable to participate.

Scan QR CODE

**Get to know your church family!**

**guess who's coming to dinner**



or fill out the form

PLACE IN MAILBOX #68 BY MAY 30TH

**I/We would like to be a GUEST June, 6<sup>th</sup>**

Name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/cell No. : \_\_\_\_\_

How Many Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Teens: \_\_\_\_\_ Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary preferences/restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (pets, scents, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Accessibility concerns (stairs, wheelchair, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Thank  
You to



For providing a **one-time**  
**FINANCIAL**  
support in **2025**.

The funds helped us purchase some of  
the items needed that were not donated.



**It's My Very Own™**  
provides handmade **Bags of Love**  
to meet the immediate needs of  
**displaced children.**

**Thank You** for your continued support! The bags are  
prepared for ages - **Infant to 16 Years old, boys and girls.**



### **Typical Wish List - NEW Items Only**

- Quilts and **Large** Soft Teddy Bears
  - Various assorted Toys, Cars, Dolls, Play-Doh  
Putty, Plaster-Paint kits, etc.
  - Yo-Yo's, Balls, Frisbee, Skipping Rope,  
Outdoor's toys, etc.
  - Toothbrush, Toothpaste
  - Colouring Books, Paint by Number and Paint Kits
  - 24 Pack Crayons and Multi-Pack Pencil Crayons
  - Pencil Case with Pencil and Pen
  - Story Book for Younger Children
  - Journal for Older Children
  - Puzzles: Jigsaw, Sudoku, Find a Word
  - Face Cloth, Soap, Shampoo, Hair Accessories
  - Brush and Comb, Mini-Kleenex
- Financial Donations are also welcome!***

For the items listed above, since it covers a  
wide age group we need a variation of items,  
appropriate for their age and gender.



### **Contact Information:**

- Drop off Items at Church: Elisabeth Walters 403-289-0196
- Items & Inventory: Melanie or Loretta Fehr 403-686-2245



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provides handmade **Bags of Love**  
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**209** Bags given out in **2025**

## QUILTS & DONATIONS

### Calgary Central SDA Church Quilters

**930** Quilts since 2009

### Wheatland Quilter's Guild

**82** Quilts in 2025

**447** Quilts through to 2025

### Samaritan's Purse

**933** Misc and Toys in 2025

**4,326** Misc and Toys through to 2025

### Calgary Hitmen Teddy Bear Toss

**473** Stuffed Animals in 2025

**1,997** Stuffed Animals through to 2025

## DATA From **2009 - 2025**

- **1,627** Bags given out!
- Average Area **20.8 ft<sup>2</sup>**/quilt.
- Average Top Stitching and Binding **19,300** stitches/quilt.
  - Varies from ~**4,600** stitches (small quilt) to over **90,000** stitches (large complex quilt).
- Top, Batting and Bottom Material **101,620 ft<sup>2</sup>**
  - Would be enough to **Carpet 56 Homes** that are, **1,800 ft<sup>2</sup>**.
- Total Top Stitching and Binding: **34.9 Million** Stitches.
- Thread Length for **34.9 Million** stitches would extend out in a straight line **177 km**.

Calgary -----> 177 km to Lethbridge.

