



## *The Security of Slavery: A Reflection on Last Sunday's Sermon*

It might seem crazy to us as modern day readers to think that Israel would choose the very system of oppression from which God had freed them. Rather than going back to the slavery of Egypt they imported slavery, selling their inheritance for the illusion of security. As we hear this we shake our heads and tsk our tongues. But, we're no different, are we?

How much of our own lives are consumed with the pursuit of security utilizing the world system? Banks, pensions, forty-hour plus work weeks, savings, investments, tax shelters and more occupy much of our time and attention. When we use these things we believe we are being merely wise and we even at times use religious language

too. But, I wonder how much we are just repeating the same mistakes as ancient Israel. What are we sacrificing to try to keep the potentially disastrous future at bay? Have we become slaves to and within the world's system?

How free are we? If God called us like Abraham or Moses or Paul would we be willing to sell all we have, give to the poor, and then follow Jesus?

I was struck with the imagery from Isaiah 35:1–10 this week as I prepared the Advent Liturgy; the desert becoming the garden and the resulting all encompassing joy. I wonder if we have made our homes in the desert, trading joy for security. How might Advent train us to not only want the new world of the kingdom but allow us to let go the illusion of security?

### Sunday Service



#### Competing Kingdoms

A Series On Biblical Kings

### *He's Got the Look*

1 Samuel 10:20–27

With Pastor David Schuchardt  
December 14, 2025

*Third Sunday of Advent*

### Northview Kids & Youth Ministry

#### *Christmas Party*

With Pastor Natasha Frentz

#### *Youth In Downstairs*

With Pastor Calvin Sawatzky

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## Life & Work

### Submit Your Ministry Expenses

Calling all Northview ministry leaders! 2025 is quickly drawing to a close. To ensure your expenses are recorded in the proper budget year, please **ensure you submit your 2025 ministry expenses for reimbursement by December 28, 2025.**

### 2025 Charitable Giving

Sunday, December 28th will be the last Sunday that offering will be taken up for the 2025 tax year. To be reflected on your 2025 charitable giving tax receipt, cheques must be dated on or before December 31, 2025 and eTransfers or giving through Tithe.ly must be transmitted by December 31st. If you won't be at church on December 28th, your giving can be delivered to the church office in advance.

### Staff Christmas Gifts

From December to provide our amazing staff a gift at Christmas. As of Dec 1st, a donation box is on the information desk near the administrative offices. Giving for the staff gift will be accepted until December 19th. For electronic giving please indicate it is for the staff gift in the memo section. This is designated to specific people and it does not qualify for a charitable receipt. Giving after Dec 19th will go into general giving. Please help us show how much we appreciate the dedication of our staff!

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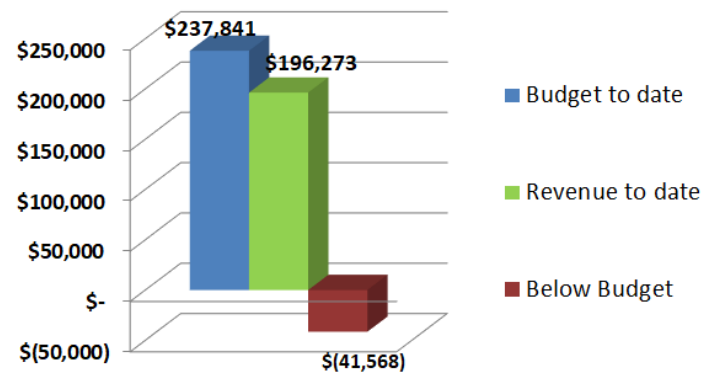
## Weekly Quote

“In your religion you must have mirth. If you do not have mirth you will certainly have madness.”

G. K. Chesterton

~ Advent and Christmas Wisdom ~

2025 Revenue to November 30th



### Five Ways to Give

- 1) Online: <https://northview.sk.ca/giving/>
- 2) e-transfer: [giving@northview.sk.ca](mailto:giving@northview.sk.ca)
- 3) tithe.ly Giving App
- 4) Preauthorized Giving (card in pocket)
- 5) Cash or cheque in offering

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## Upcoming Featured Events



**Christmas Eve Worship Service**  
Wednesday, December 24th  
5:00–6:00 pm



**Christmas Eve Worship Service**  
Wednesday, December 24th  
6:30–7:30 pm