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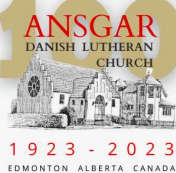
*to Pastor Svend Faarvang and  
Birgit Allermann Faarvang*



Pastor Svend Faarvang and his wife, Birgit, will be here with us at Ansgar during the search for a permanent pastor. They have previously served at the Danish church in Vancouver for 5 years and again for 9 weeks as interim pastor in 2022. He retired 3 years ago after 8 years in Strib, Fyn and 30 years in

Tommerup-Broholm, also on Fyn, plus his time in Vancouver, and he continues to serve as interim pastor in different parishes.

We look forward to meeting them both and also "Teddy" their little Westie and welcoming them to Ansgar!



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November/December 2024 Newsletter is **October 10, 2024**

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Hanne Roemer



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## *A Message from the Board*

We are very pleased to announce that Pastor Svend Faarvang and his wife Birgit Allermann Faarvang are coming to Ansgar to serve as Interim Pastor from September 8th to January 1st. Pastor Faarvang is retired and has previously served as both Pastor and Interim Pastor in the Danish Church in Vancouver.

DSUK is looking for a permanent Pastor for us and we are hopeful that there will be some interested applicants to interview this fall.

Mette Rasmussen has volunteered to lead our **“Morgenkaffe på Dansk”** group on Danish service Sundays. We are so happy to continue practicing our Danish in such a fun way, starting on September 22, 2024.

Sacred Heart Church is looking for our support from City Council to purchase the sports field adjacent to their church at 108 avenue and 96 street for use as a parking lot. We have sent an email of support, as more parking is needed in the area. Please contact our City Councillor, Anne Stevenson to show our support for more parking in the area, phone 780-496-8333 or email [anne.stevenson@edmonton.ca](mailto:anne.stevenson@edmonton.ca)

Thank you to everyone who helped with the celebration for Pastor Lasse, Frederikke and their sons. It was a special day for all who attended.

Please refer to the calendar for upcoming events.

Happy Fall to you!

*Dorrit Morrow*

*President, Board of Directors*

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# 2024

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## Ansgar Group Activities

### DANISH WOMEN'S GROUP

It's been an unexpectedly busy summer! Normally, the Group takes a break during the summer, but this year we needed to meet during August to address several events that month. The news that the Hultbergs were moving to a new DSUK posting by the end of August caught us all by surprise. Many of our members were moving, travelling or entertaining guests during August. Although we were a bit stretched, we managed to plan the food portion of the Potluck Lunch at St. John's Lutheran following Lasse's final service in our Church, plus provide receptions for three distinct memorial services within a week. A heartfelt thanks to those Women's Group and Board volunteers who responded to our calls for help!!

The first meeting of the Fall season will be in the Church Basement on **Tuesday, September 24th at 10:00 am**. October's meeting will be on the 22nd. Please join us for the social exchange and the opportunity to contribute to the Church in a concrete way by sharing in fundraising events. Bring a lunch for yourself, as we always end our get-togethers with food and chat. Finally, don't forget to call **Jeanna at 780-474-4254 or 780-554-5803** for your tickets to the **Fall Harvest Dinner on September 27th at 6:30 pm**. Tickets go on sale **September 5th**. Space is limited.

*We encourage any woman who is interested in this group to bring a lunch and join us in the Church basement on the fourth Tuesday morning of the month (10:00 am). All meetings are listed in the Church Calendar and are now conducted in English. Contact Jeanna Baty at 780-554-5803 for more info.*

### THE ANSGAR SINGERS

*If you are interested in joining the choir or have any questions, please contact Amelia Kaminski at [ameliakaminski@gmail.com](mailto:ameliakaminski@gmail.com)*

### HYGGEKLUBBEN

Hope you all had a great summer and we can enjoy the last of this season. Our next get-together will be on September 18th and in October it will be on the 16th.

*We meet at the church on the third Wednesday of every month at 12 noon. Everyone brings something light to share for lunch. We sing from Højskole Sangbogen. Visiting and hygge are the main menu. Hope to see you there! Randi Mark*

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With the big clean-up over the past year, some space has opened up on our bookshelves in the basement. We are going to use this space for a new Lending Library!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> <b>NO SERVICE AT ANSGAR</b>	<b>2</b> <b>LABOUR DAY</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> <span style="float: right;">10:30 am ENGLISH</span> 15th Sunday after Trinity Luke 10, 38-42  <b>Welcome to Pastor Svend Faarvang and Birgit</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 7:00 pm Board Meeting	<b>12</b> 11 am Operation Friendship (see pg 11)	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> <span style="float: right;">10:30 am ENGLISH</span> 16th Sunday after Trinity John 11, 19-45  <i>with guests from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 12 noon Hyggeklubben	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> <span style="float: right;">10:30 am DANSK</span> 17. søndag efter trinitatis Markus 2, 14-22  9 am Morgenkaffe på Dansk 	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 10:00 am Danish Women's Group	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:30 pm FALL HARVEST DINNER (see pg 9)	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> <span style="float: right;">10:30 am ENGLISH</span> 18th Sunday after Trinity John 15, 1-11  <b>FAMILY SUNDAY POTLUCK LUNCH AFTER THE SERVICE</b>	<b>30</b>				<b>SPECIAL THIS MONTH:</b> September 1 <b>NO SERVICE AT ANSGAR</b> September 27 <b>FALL HARVEST DINNER</b> September 29 <b>FAMILY SUNDAY POTLUCK LUNCH</b>	

# OCTOBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>SPECIAL THIS MONTH:</b></p> <p>October 6 <b>HØSTGUDSTJENESTE</b></p> <p>October 13 <b>THANKSGIVING SERVICE</b></p>		<p><b>1</b></p> <p><i>7:00 pm</i> Board Meeting</p>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<p><b>6</b></p> <p><i>10:30 am</i> <b>DANSK</b></p> <p><b>HØSTGUDSTJENESTE</b> 19. søndag efter trinitatis Johannes 1, 35-51</p> <p><i>9 am</i> Morgenkaffe på Dansk</p> 	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p><i>11 am</i> Operation Friendship (see pg 11)</p>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<p><b>13</b></p> <p><i>10:30 am</i> <b>ENGLISH</b></p> <p><b>THANKSGIVING SERVICE</b> 20th Sunday after Trinity Matthew 21, 28-44</p> 	<p><b>14</b></p> <p><b>THANKS-GIVING DAY</b></p>	<b>15</b>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p><i>12 noon</i> Hyggeklubben</p>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<p><b>20</b></p> <p><i>10:30 am</i> <b>ENGLISH</b></p> <p>21st Sunday after Trinity Luke 13, 1-9</p> <p>with guests from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church</p>	<b>21</b>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p><i>10:00 am</i> Danish Women's Group</p>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<p><b>27</b></p> <p><i>10:30 am</i> <b>ENGLISH</b></p> <p>22nd Sunday after Trinity Matthew 18, 1-14</p>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p><b>HALLOWEEN</b></p>		

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## Høstgudstjeneste

**October 6 at 10:30 am**

**Traditionel dansk høstgudstjeneste med alle de gode, gamle høstsalmes!**

**Traditional Danish Harvest Service with all the good old harvest hymns!**

You are encouraged to bring samples of the fruits of your labour in your garden, any kind of fruits and vegetables to the Altar as a symbol of your gratitude for everything God has provided for us.




## Thanksgiving Service

**October 13 at 10:30 am**

**Begin your Thanksgiving celebration at Church**

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Operation Friendship has undergone a reorganization and no longer operates a Drop-in Program; it now concentrates its efforts on its 5 Seniors' Lodges.

Ansgar Church has been invited to continue our support in a different setting. We will still be providing a lunch of stew and dessert, but we will now be assigned to McCauley Lodge, located very near Ansgar Church. We will serve around 40 lodge residents and be able to visit and interact with them on a more personal level.

We are looking for volunteers willing to spend about 2 hours on the 2nd Thursday of each month to help with this worthwhile cause.

**Please call Valerie Sorensen at 780-973-6526 for more information or to join our group.**

More than 8 years of  
*Blessings*  
 at Ansgar

The Hultberg Family 2016-2024



*It was standing room only, both at the church service and at the Luncheon, when the Ansgar congregation and the Danish community bid farewell to Pastor Lasse and the entire Hultberg family.*

*The Board presented the family with a Hudson's Bay blanket to remind them of their time in Canada.*

*Beautiful music was provided by Daniel and Eija Aalto and Amelia Kaminsky. Karin Kossman shared a poem she had written about Lasse and Frederikkes' time here.*

*More than a few tears were shed, but we are grateful for their wonderful service to Ansgar and wish them well in their new post in Egerførde, Germany.*

