

# First Alliance

a christian & missionary alliance church

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## Weekend Services

Saturdays 6:30 pm  
 Sundays 9:15 & 11:15 am  
 5:30 pm (The Exchange Church)

## Congregational Care

**In Hospital/Care:** Leona Booth, Maelys Cantius, Susan Gregoire, Lin Harvie, Margaret Laughton, Isabella Rosjer, Jean Saffran. For updates, contact Anne Freeman  
 afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290.

## Giving Update (as of April 20, 2016)

	Budget to April 30/16	Received	Required
General	\$4,471,171	\$4,075,306	\$395,865
Capital/Debt	1,033,677	589,554	444,123
Missions	775,716	673,124	102,592

Your donations fund the many ways we're "building lives that honour God" through our staff, facilities and local/global ministries. To learn more, contact Carey Thiessen cthiessen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8844.

# UPDATE FROM PASTOR JAMES



## Thank you, everyone, for praying for me.

My surgery has been successful and I should be back at work on Monday. Feel free to call me "Iron Man"!! I might be going a little slow at first but I'm gaining strength. God has been so good to me and I have felt so loved by this church family. Never alone, never abandoned. That's God's promise and He always keeps His word.

And I'm excited about the great news here at FAC while I was off work. We did it! **As each of us responded to God's prompting, together we have covered the cost of the 600 additional permanent chairs for the Sanctuary.** Hopefully they will be installed by the fall. We're growing and we're making room ... *All for Jesus!*

- Pastor James Paton



To learn more about the permanent chairs, please contact Carey Thiessen cthiessen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8844.

April 23/24, 2016 • Revelation 21:1-5

# THE WAY OF JESUS

*Destination: Vision*

# WELCOME!

## New or Visiting?

We're glad you're here! Check out the **Contact Card** in the seat back in front of you, stop by the **Info Desk**, or use our free "**FAC Experience**" app – we'd love to connect with you. For more info, visit us online: [faccalgary.com](http://faccalgary.com).

## Need Prayer?

After every service, our prayer team is available at the front of the Sanctuary and would love to pray with you. You can also ask for prayer through the **Contact Card** located in the seat back or visit [faccalgary.com/prayer](http://faccalgary.com/prayer) anytime.

## Getting Connected

We'd love to help you get connected with a smaller group of people for regular Bible study, prayer, and community! Drop by the **Connect Desk** after the service or contact Janelle Emery [jemery@faccalgary.com](mailto:jemery@faccalgary.com) /403-258-8289.

## Ways to Serve

**Grass Cutting Team:** Help cut and trim the grass Thursday mornings, May-October here at FAC and ensure our outdoor space is inviting and reflects God's beauty in creation! Equipment provided. Contact Noelle Bannister [nbannister@faccalgary.com](mailto:nbannister@faccalgary.com)/403-258-4357.

**One-Time Childcare:** Help watch over little ones May 17, 9:00 am-noon to allow all moms from the *Women2Women* Tuesday Bible study to attend their year-end celebration. Please contact Lynn Stephenson 403-257-0209/[lynndstephenson@gmail.com](mailto:lynndstephenson@gmail.com).

**Assistant Stage Manager:** Get involved behind-the-scenes during weekend services! Be the "hands and feet" of the technical team by helping service flow in a practical way. This role is critical to each weekend service, and we can't do it without you! Please email Rosalind Coben [rcoben@faccalgary.com](mailto:rcoben@faccalgary.com).

*Building lives that honour God ... all for Jesus.*

## Harvest Ministries

Stick around after church Sunday, May 1 for the last **Breakfast @ First** until the fall! Enjoy a hot breakfast with friends and family in the Harvest Rooms; adults \$12; children \$6 (5-10 yrs.); free for kids under 4 yrs. 1<sup>st</sup> seating 10:30-11:15 am; 2<sup>nd</sup> seating 12:30-1:15 pm. *Learn more about our food ministry; visit [faccalgary.com/kitchen](http://faccalgary.com/kitchen).*

## Sharing Globally

It's in our DNA here at FAC to share the love and hope of Jesus Christ with others both locally and globally. Here are a few upcoming Global Impact opportunities:

- Moldova (English Camp) July 28-Aug. 10
- Belarus (English Camp) August 3-15
- Egypt (Medical Team) November 1-15

*Learn more about these teams by visiting [faccalgary.com/globalimpact](http://faccalgary.com/globalimpact) or contact [globalimpact@faccalgary.com](mailto:globalimpact@faccalgary.com)/403-258-7274.*

## DiscoveryLand

**Family Movie Night:** Join us in the Sanctuary for a free family-friendly movie night THIS FRIDAY (April 29)! To learn more, visit [faccalgary.com/kids](http://faccalgary.com/kids) or contact Pastor Crystal Sylvester [csylvester@faccalgary.com](mailto:csylvester@faccalgary.com) /403-258-8293.

## Students

**Grade 5&6:** Retreat at Camp Harmattan May 27-29; \$115, please register online.  
**JHS** (Jr. High): House Night May 13, 7:00 pm (offsite). Talk to your small group leaders for details! **SHS** (Sr. High): Join us Wednesdays, 7:00 pm in the Gym! **Young Adults:** Worship & Small Groups May 12, 7:00 pm, Meeting Place 3. *For details visit [faccalgary.com/students](http://faccalgary.com/students), stop by the Info Desk, or contact Sara Vanderveen [svanderveen@faccalgary.com](mailto:svanderveen@faccalgary.com)/403-212-8849.*

## Stuff you Need to Know ...

### Then Sings My Soul

You're invited to *Then Sings My Soul*, a sing-along worship concert featuring timeless hymns and scripture readings led by the FAC Choir & Orchestra on Wednesday, May 4, 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. No cost; everyone is welcome!

### General Assembly

... is our denomination's bi-annual **national gathering**, and this spring it's happening here at FAC, **May 31-June 4**! Evening sessions are free and open to everyone; for delegate registration and more info, visit [allianceassembly.com](http://allianceassembly.com). There are *lots* of ways you can help us host this large event; maybe **volunteering** at Assembly could be a first-time serve for you! Learn how you can get involved; stop by the table on Main Street this weekend.

## The Arts

**Sharpen Music:** A one-day worship arts conference here at FAC on Saturday, May 14, 9:00 am-3:30 pm featuring keynote speaker Tim Nuefeld and other guest clinicians offering training and inspiration in all areas of music ministry for the local church context. Intro and advanced breakout sessions in most instruments and vocals offered. Cost: \$32.<sup>40</sup>-\$53.<sup>60</sup>; for more info and to register visit [sharpenconference.com](http://sharpenconference.com).

**Improv@FAC** is an ongoing opportunity to connect with others and build stage skills through fun improv-based games, offered Thursdays, 6:30 pm in the Discovery Theatre (no cost or registration). Contact Cheryl Siebring [csiebring@faccalgary.com](mailto:csiebring@faccalgary.com)/403-539-2251.



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