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WELCOME New or Visiting?

We're glad you're here! Check out the attached Contact Card, 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.

Need Prayer? Let us know how we can pray for you; fill

Let us know how we can pray for you; fill out the attached **Contact Card**, call our prayer hotline **1-877-677-2948**, or visit **faccalgary.com/prayer** anytime.

Get Connected!

Small group settings can be the best way to serve, pray, learn, and grow in your journey with Jesus. Don't get lost in the crowd; we'd love to help you get connected this fall! Drop by the **Connect Desk** this weekend or contact Janelle Emery jemery@faccalgary.com/403-258-8289.

#FACSummer @faccalgary We exist to build lives that honour God ... all for Jesus!

Staff News

Ordination Service: Join us as we celebrate the ordination of David Conrad (Sr. High Pastor) and Cory Harasym (Life Connection Pastor) <u>THIS SUNDAY</u>, 2:00 pm in the Discovery Theatre. No RSVP needed!

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Parents, be reminded of upcoming events and access resources to build faith at home – subscribe to our e-newsletter at faccalgary.com/kids, "like" Facebook.com/ DiscoveryLandFAC, or follow us on Twitter @DiscoveryInd.

Students

Jr. High (JHS) & Sr. High (SHS): Register for upcoming summer events: faccalgary.com/registrations. Young Adults: Wednesdays in the Park: <u>August 10, 17, & 24</u>, 7:00 pm at North Glenmore Park, Snowy Owl Picnic Site. No cost. For more info contact Sara Vanderveen svanderveen@faccalgary.com/403-212-8849.

Library

New Online Catalogue: Search resources and see what's new: 15403.rmwebopac.com. To set up your online account for making requests, reserves, or renewals, please visit the library and speak with one of our volunteers.

Serve ♡

Thanksgiving Food Drive: Volunteers are needed to help organize food collection before and after the weekend services of <u>October 8/9</u> and <u>15/16</u>. Contact Michelle Peters mpeters@faccalgary.com/403-212-8847.

Lighting Designer/Technician: Be part of designing the "look" of the weekend services! Lighting plays a critical role in drawing focus and interest in the main auditorium, and combines both creative and technical skills. Contact Rosalind Coben rcoben@faccalgary.com.

Congregational Care

In Hospital: Brenda Brydon, Leila Cross, Seth Harasym, Lin Harvie, Rebecca Kurlyowich, Mickey Panchuk, Chris Taksas. For updates contact Anne Freeman afreeman@faccalgary. com/403-258-8290. *NOTE: A memorial servie will be held* <u>August 9</u>, 2:00 pm in the Harvest Rooms for Amy Edel.

Depression & Soul Care Support

Hurting? A list of resources is available this weekend at the Info Desk and online: facthisweek.com. To learn more, please contact Anne Freeman afreeman@faccalgary.com/403-258-8290.

First Alliance

12345 40 Street SE Calgary Phone: 403-252-7572 Website: faccalgary.com

Weekend Services

Saturdays Sundays 6:30 pm 9:15 & 11:15 am



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July 2016 Giving Update

(as of July 31, 2016)

	Budget	Received	Required
General	\$318,034	326,659	8,625
Capital/Debt	42,524	35,174	(7,350)
<u>Missions</u>	58,018	54,269	<u>(3,749)</u>
Total	418,576	416,102	(2,474)

Thank you for your generous giving towards building lives that honour God ... all for Jesus! Contact Carey Thiessen cthiessen@faccalgary.com /403-212-8844.

NOT FINISHED YET

When I was diagnosed with schizophrenia and depression I thought my life was over. I thought God had abandoned me and hadn't heard a word of my prayers. I had lost all my functioning because of the fear and paranoia that had taken over my life.

My recovery was very slow despite my best efforts. I started getting my life back on track by doing three goals a day. At first, the goals were to make my bed, do my dishes, and leave the house. Monumental tasks at the time. Over time, I used the same strategy to save my marriage, get my self-esteem back, and find my purpose.

The journey towards achieving these goals has been difficult. The most difficult times were when the battle was raging in my mind. The enemy was trying to convince me that my life was over, that I would never be used by



God because I was too damaged, far behind, and unskilled. I feared my future. God was faithful. He reassured me and kept me moving forward by directing my path.

Fast-forward twenty years ... I am a wife, author, and speaker. I wrote a book about my mental illness. I am running my own business, speaking, and distributing my book. I even won a Lt. Governor award for my efforts. Currently, I am developing a crowdfunded coloring book with tips on being mentally healthy. I am being used by God.

Looking back, I realize He was not finished with me and He did hear my prayers. The enemy did not ruin my life like I had so often feared. God had a plan and I could not have achieved this level of success without Him. God has the power and to Him be the glory.

- Elizabeth Anderson