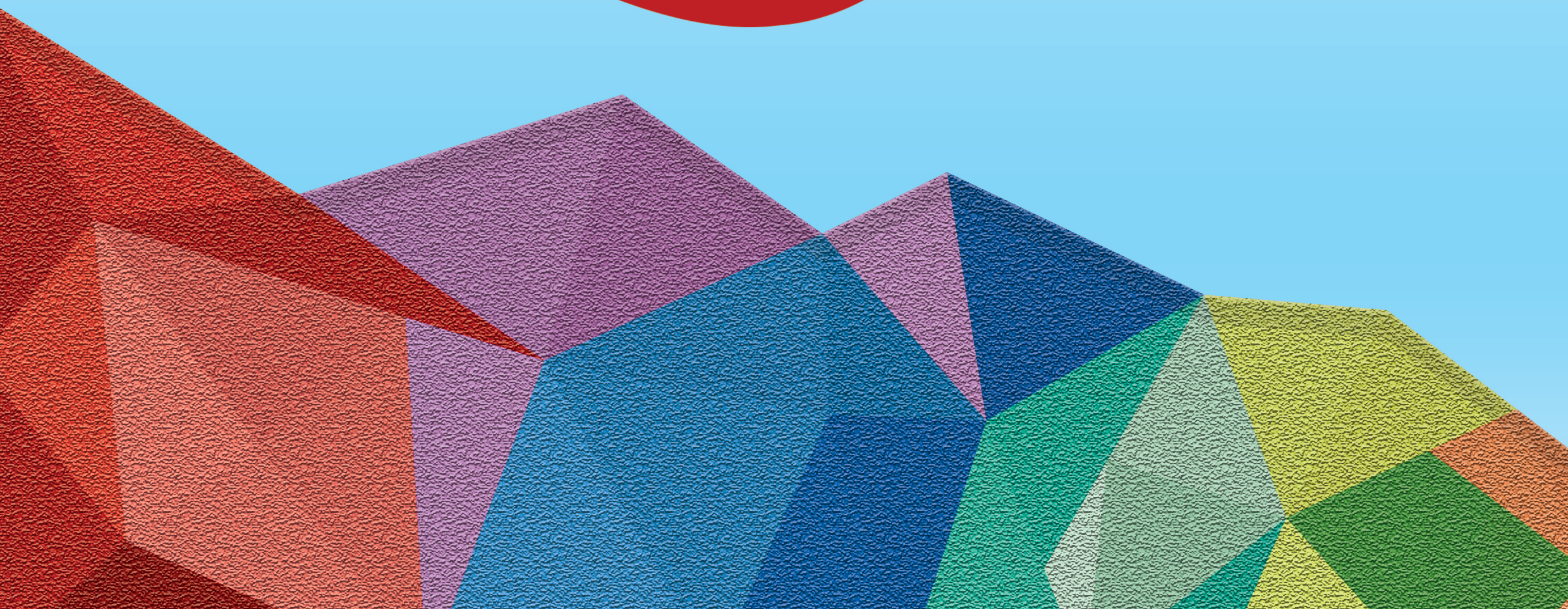
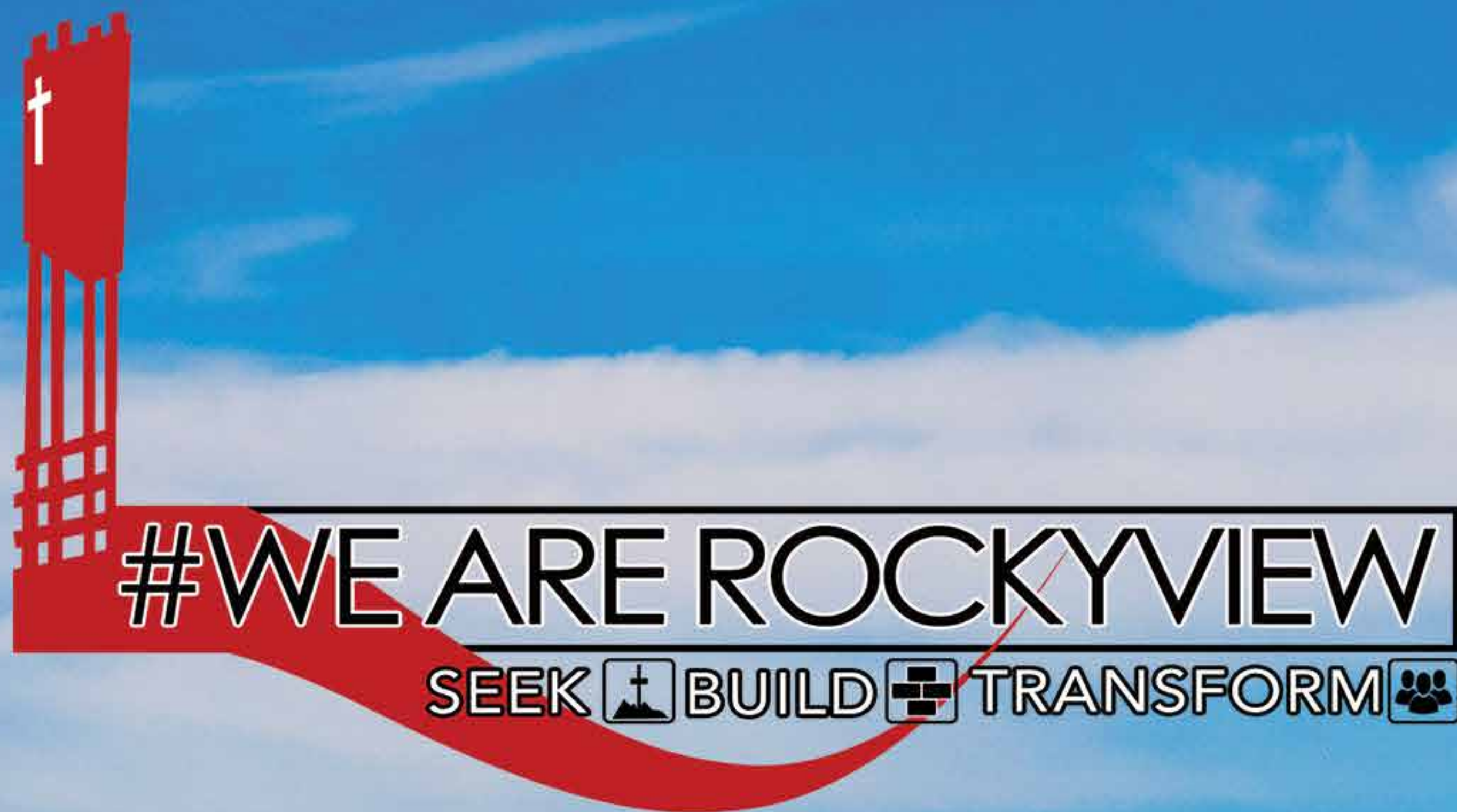




#WE ARE ROCKYVIEW

SEEK  BUILD  TRANSFORM 





We are surrounded. This is heartbreaking and this is wonderful at the same time. People in need—new Canadians, families living in or near poverty and individuals who have no idea that the God of the universe loves them—sit inside the thousands of homes surrounding Rockyview Alliance Church. And we are surrounded by something else as well—God’s infinite love, mercy, power and grace.

God has intentionally placed Rockyview in the heart of this community where the need is great and His grace is greater. And there is nowhere we’d rather be.

The question is why did He place us here? We believe that He has an amazing purpose for us in this community. We believe God can use the people of Rockyview Alliance Church—every individual in this church—and the building He has blessed us with to share His love as He transforms our lives and hearts and those of our neighbors as well.

Rockyview Alliance Church first opened its doors in 1973 born out of a passion to share the message and hope of Jesus with the communities of northeast Calgary. And to this day, our commitment to lead people to deeper worship of God, a greater love for one another and to boldly and compassionately serve our community in Jesus’ Name continues.

After all, we are Rockyview: We seek God’s Kingdom, create spaces where people are invited to meet and know Jesus and joyfully witness God transforming lives. And we welcome everyone to join us on this amazing journey.
#WEAREROCKYVIEW

*“Seek first His Kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.”
- Matthew 6:33*

We have fasted, prayed, listened and obeyed as God has clearly led us into new faith-fueled adventures. We have asked Him how we can connect with the growing multitudes of new Canadians that continue to make their homes in the northeast. We have asked Him how we can be a part of the lives of children who come home to empty houses or struggle to find hope each day. We have asked Him how to reach and bless families. And we've asked Him how we might surrender the church, its people, and the land upon which Rockyview sits for His purposes.

In response Jesus has reminded us: "But seek first His Kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well" (Matthew 6:33).

#WEAREROCKYVIEW is about obeying the God who calls us to seek His Kingdom.

When we pray and then act, we do it with a single motivation: that the Kingdom of God would come, and His will would be done, on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10). We want to experience the presence of God as we do what He has called us to do, as we build new spaces that further His purpose by making our church building an even more welcoming and accommodating space where all are invited to come meet Jesus and be loved and filled with hope and purpose.

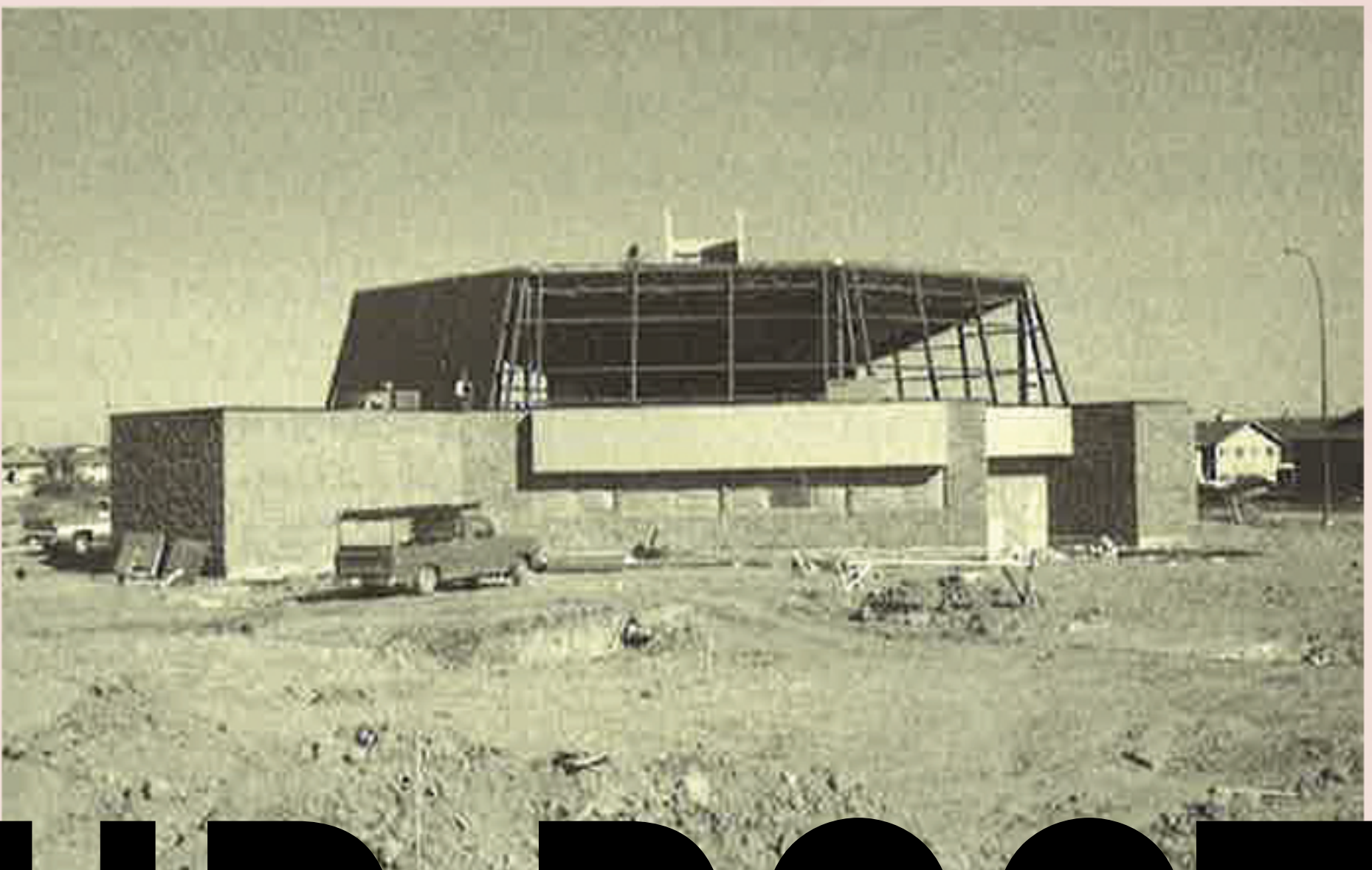
In faith and obedience, let's seek His Kingdom together, fearlessly and joyfully united in our belief that Jesus can and does change individuals, families, streets, cities, and even the globe, and we want to be part of His amazing work. With His wisdom and guidance and hearts that are surrendered, let's build purposeful and sustainable spaces where people meet Jesus.

I invite you to say with us, your leaders, "We are Rockyview." This is a journey we must take together,



Shawn Vickar ~ Lead Pastor





“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.”

-Ephesians 2:19-22

OUR ROOTS

**2005/
2006**

Revisioning Process: Prayer for change, new direction, new vision, mission and core values established. Pastor Randy resigns from RAC.

1993

Randy Rohrick called to be Lead Pastor at Rockyview, a role that he served in for 16 years until the spring of 2006. Rockyview enjoyed a season of growth and fruit in ministry.

1984

RAC plants Airdrie Alliance Church and many families relocate to Airdrie to be a part of this plant.

1979

Rockyview moved into its new building, and for a few decades we enjoyed worshipping with “bold” red carpets and pews in the sanctuary.

1978

After meeting in several schools and a community centre, the church determined it needed a building of its own. Six acres of land was acquired, and in July of 1978 construction began.

1976

Dan Goldsmith was called to the role of Senior Pastor and would be RAC's first resident pastor. Dan was one of our few pastors who actually lived in the church parsonage (church house).

1975

Rockyview Alliance Church was officially organized on January 12th, 1975. Evening services were started in the Rundle Community Centre.

1974

RAC hires its first full-time Pastor in April, 1974 as a temp. Attendance was approximately 45 people at this time.

1973

Rockyview Alliance Church (RAC) is Established and holds first service at James Short Elementary School. Rockyview was planted by Foothills Alliance Church.

2016

Rockyview actively explores Kingdom oriented development options for our unused land.
Pastor Steve Griffin is laid off due to financially lean years.
Pastor Dan (already on staff) accepts role as Associate Pastor in June of 2016.
Basement remediation work is approved and scheduled to start in Spring 2017.
The Board of Elders launches the #WEAREROCKYVIEW campaign to move God's vision for Rockyview forward.

2015

Conversation begins regarding service multiplication, leveraging our land for Kingdom initiatives and future church plant goals.
Basement floods twice. Our entire basement space is lost due to flood damages. Board of Elders begins to explore the remediation process and establishes a plan.
Rockyview partners with The New Canadian Friendship Centre to reach and serve new Canadians in Jesus Name.

2013

New RAC mission & core values adopted in March 2013: Worship God, Love one Another, Serve. Used to this day.
Pastor Dan Nel was called to the role of Worship Arts Pastor beginning August, 2013.

2011

Carol McNairn joins staff as Office Manager in January, 2011.
Pastor Steve Griffin was called to the role of Pastor of Community Life and Development in July, 2011. Pastor Thich Truong joins the staff as Associate Pastor of Worship Arts.

2010

Facility expansion and renovation takes place. This included the new office wing, reno of entire sanctuary, nursery, café and kitchen, basement and interior of the church house. Total cost 1.5 Million Dollars.

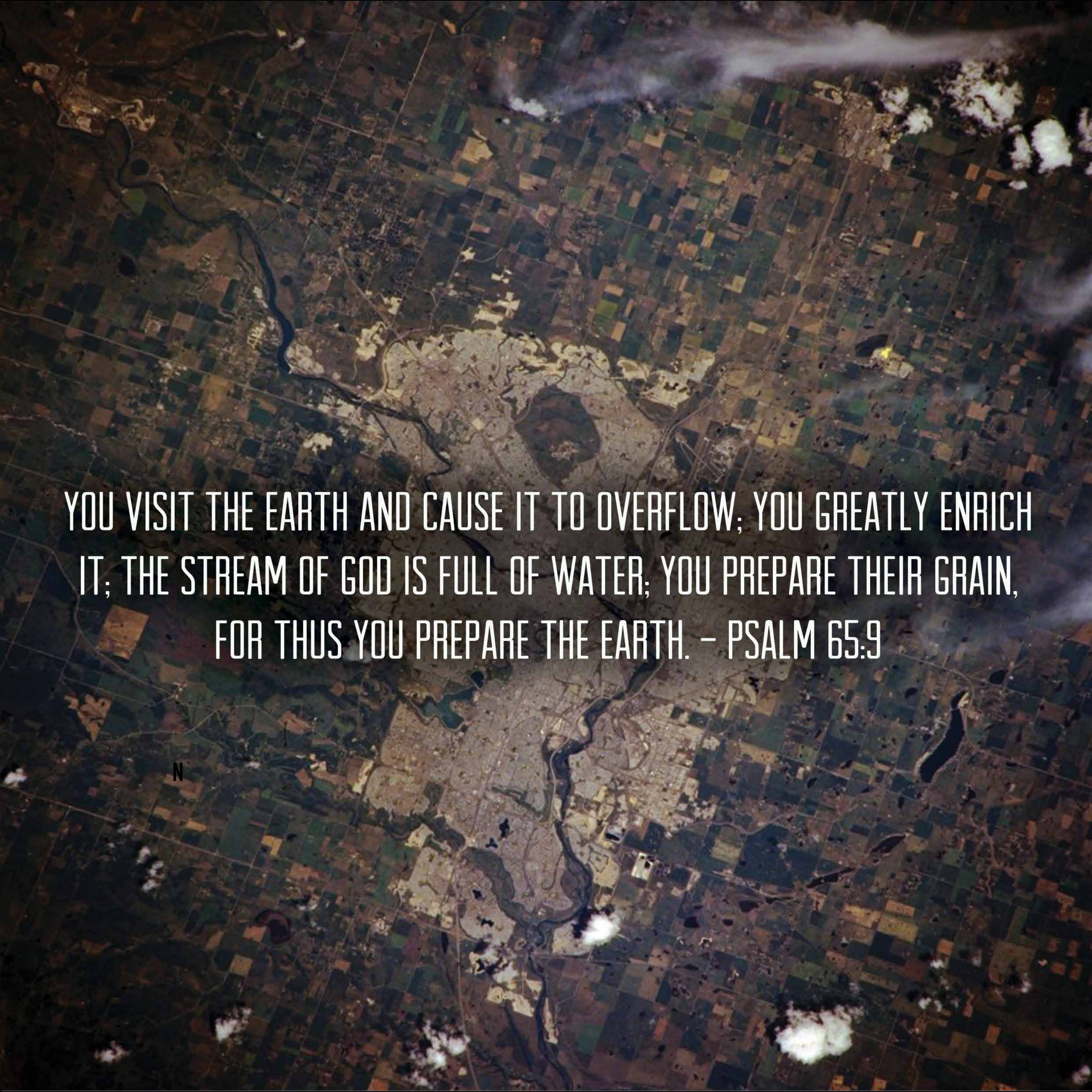
2009

Pastor Russ Clugston was called to the role of Family Ministries Pastor beginning October, 2009.

2007

Pastor Shawn Vickar, already on staff as Associate Pastor (since August, 2005) was called to the role as Lead Pastor beginning March, 2007.



An aerial photograph of a vast agricultural landscape. The land is divided into a dense grid of small, rectangular fields in various shades of brown, tan, and green. A dark, winding river or stream flows through the center of the image. Several small, white, fluffy clouds are scattered across the sky, particularly in the upper right and lower right areas. The overall tone is somewhat dark and moody.

YOU VISIT THE EARTH AND CAUSE IT TO OVERFLOW; YOU GREATLY ENRICH
IT; THE STREAM OF GOD IS FULL OF WATER; YOU PREPARE THEIR GRAIN,
FOR THUS YOU PREPARE THE EARTH. – PSALM 65:9

OUR SURROUNDINGS

Who Are Our Neighbours?

Regardless of what part of the world our neighborhood reflects – the median age range in the closest six communities surrounding Rockyview Alliance church falls between 25–44.

Families with children and teens represent the largest and fastest growing segment of our communities.

The number of children who are growing up in single parent families is on the rise and children and teens need Godly role models more than ever today. Parents need the support and resources that Rockyview as a church can provide.

We must continue to invest both now and tomorrow in the needs of our family ministries at Rockyview, and create spaces that will accommodate our already full children's programs throughout the week!

We're Here For All Nations

As the neighborhoods surrounding Rockyview are made up of 35–40% of individuals and families that are new to Canada, our ministry models, and approach to sharing the gospel, must change too.

To that end, we have become a church that increasingly reflects our Mosaic community, as on any given Sunday there are dozens of languages, countries, and traditions represented within our congregation.



We have increasingly sought to engage our diverse neighborhood, and the growth of our ESL ministries, partnership with the New Canadian Friendship Centre, and working relationships with other neighborhood schools and agencies only go to show that God is favorably opening the door for the gospel to become real and practical all around Rockyview.

True to God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 12, he has blessed us...to be a blessing to all nations. As God uses global migration to bring the nations to our neighborhood, there is no greater time than the present to create space and opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus and to bless the nations in His Name!

Meet the Rockyview Lead Team



Shawn Vickar
Lead Pastor



Russ Clugston
Family Ministries Pastor



Tim Bergmann
Interim Associate Pastor



Nick Kennedy
Pastoral Intern

The Rockyview staff, along with the board of elders are calling you, as our church family, to join with us in responding to God's call as we journey together in seeking God's kingdom, building spaces to facilitate ministry and seeing lives transformed in Jesus name.

Rockyview Alliance Board of Elders

Kent Dunham
Brian Argue
Richard Semenyna

Chad Watson
Brent Turner
Aaron Beal

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do"
- Ephesians 2:10

Ministry Serving Opportunities

There are many ways to connect and serve at Rockyview Alliance Church. Where can you plug in?

D6 Family Ministries

Contact Pastor Russ to volunteer:
russ@rockyviewalliance.com

D6 Beginnings (Ages 0–2) Sunday Morning
(Nursery Volunteers)

D6 Basics (Ages 2– Grade 6) Sunday School
Small Group Leaders
Story Tellers
Friday AM Prep Team

Shift Youth (Grades 7–12) Wednesday Evening
Youth Group Leaders

Worship Arts Ministry

Contact Pastor Tim to volunteer:
tim@rockyviewalliance.com

Worship Arts Team
Vocals, Guitar, Bass, Drums/Percussion, Piano/Keys & Other
Instruments
Tech Set Up, Sound, Media, Stage Design
Drama & Visual Arts
Sanctuary Atmosphere Committee

Prayer Ministry

Contact Pastor Shawn to volunteer:
shawn@rockyviewalliance.com

Sunday Morning Prayer Team
Post Service Prayer Team Members
Prayer Chain Members (Off-site Praying Network)

CONNECT Ministry

Contact Pastor Dan to volunteer:
office@rockyviewalliance.com

Cafe Team
Ushers
Welcome Greeters
First Steps at the Fire place (Welcome Newcomers)

Rockyview International Friendship Centre

Contact Nick Kennedy to volunteer
nick@rockyviewalliance.com

Evening Opportunities (Weekday Evenings)

ESL Program
Conversation Club Program

Daytime Opportunities (Weekday Days)

Knitting/Sewing
Life Skills Programming
Childcare
Café Hosts
English Tutors
ESL Bible Study Helpers

*“Then Jesus said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into the harvest field.”
- Matthew 9:37-38*

SEEK



Seeking God's Kingdom

Of all the things that a local church can be and do, Jesus reminds us that we must, "Seek first the Kingdom of God." Do this, and He will give us everything we need.

What does it mean to seek first the Kingdom of God at Rockyview? God's Kingdom is the rule and reign of Christ and His ways in our lives, in our community and in the world. This why Jesus taught us to pray, "Your Kingdom come. Your will be done. On earth as it is in heaven." We are praying for the rule and reign of the Kingdom of God in our lives right now.

This is why when we consider those who are our neighbors, Jesus says, "Love them as yourself." This is why when we see the needs of our community, scripture says, "Love mercy, act justly and walk humbly with your God." Seeking first God's Kingdom happens when we align our hearts, our resources, our energy and our lives around the fact that Jesus is Lord now.

We have seen the impact of seeking God's Kingdom at Rockyview. Our children's ministry has outgrown our space in the church basement. Our ministries to new Canadians have expanded to four to five days a week, multiplying and overflowing our café space.



We have seen healing happen in worship services that can only be described as miraculous. We have seen people freed from addiction. We have seen marriages restored, and we have celebrated the grace of God at baptisms.

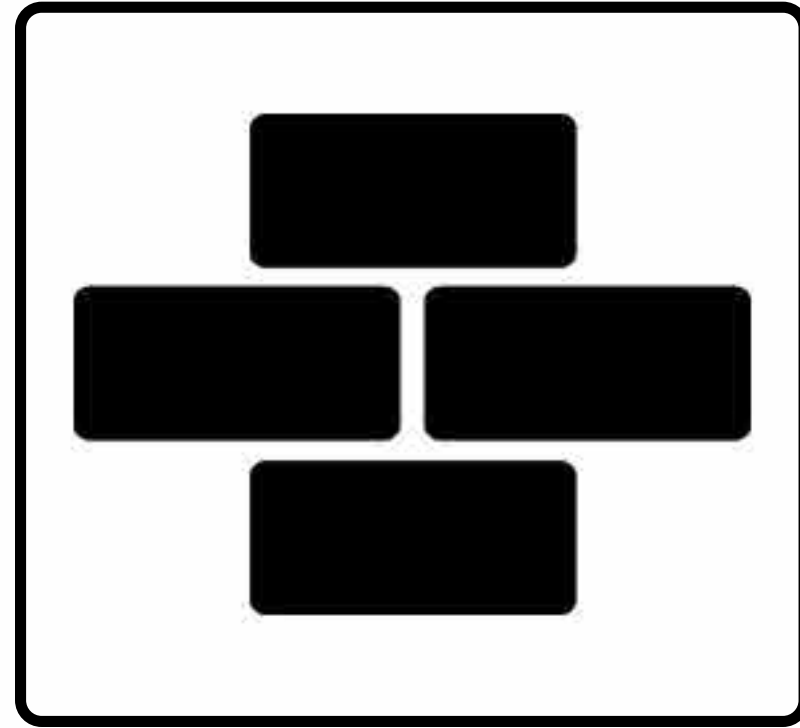
We are a church that reaches out to local schools and to many others through key partners such as the City of Calgary, social service agencies, The New Canadian Friendship Centre, The Mustard Seed and several others. We will continue to grow, adapt and expand, multiplying the local church, and sending new missionaries around the world.

Jesus said that while the Kingdom of God may appear small like a Mustard Seed upon first glance, over time it grows and becomes a huge source of shelter and blessing wherever the Spirit of God plants it (Matthew 13:20-32). We fully believe that Rockyview can be that place of shelter and blessing that is known as a place where God is found. #WEAREROCKYVIEW: means we are seeking His Kingdom first.

That's an adventure we don't want you to miss out on.

#WEAREROCKYVIEW

BUILD



Building Spaces

Some might say, “The church isn’t a building, it’s a people,” and to that, I would wholeheartedly agree.

However, the Lord instructed Moses to build a space for the people to gather together. In Moses’ day, it was the tabernacle. In King Solomon’s day, the temple. And whether the early church met in the temple or in homes, space for ministry has always been integral when God’s people gather together. Space must always serve the purposes of the Spirit of God and what He has asked us to do in His name.

When I first arrived at Rockyview in 2005, my office was in the center of what is now our café. The room that we enjoy today as our nursery with bright windows and beautiful murals and toys was then a windowless classroom, a make-shift office, and a mish-mash of old computer parts forgotten in long-term storage. We have learned the value of building spaces that are thoughtful, intentional and effective.

Today, the café is abuzz four to five days a week. There are Sunday morning coffees and potlucks, ESL classes, daytime and evening Bible studies, and a host of other discipleship and outreach programs where we hear dozens of languages spoken, stories from new Canadians as they share their hopes and dreams, and the testimonies of people who have come to faith in Christ, as well as the questions of those who are somewhere on the way.



Sadly, in the summer of 2015, one of our most valuable spaces — our children’s ministry area in the church basement was completely destroyed by flooding. When more than half a foot of rain fell in less than two hours on the morning of July 12, 2015, our church was hit with overland flooding and our basement wiped out. And this is the fourth flood in our basement in only the past 10 years. Since the last flood, we have been faced with the challenge of accommodating some of our growing ministries with much less space.

This is why the #WEAREROCKYVIEW campaign is crucial at this point in Rockyview’s history. Our board of elders has conducted extensive research using information from experts in architecture and remediation to determine a way forward. The finished project will allow us to restore what has been lost and build spaces for ministry that are intentionally and effectively designed, while also safeguarding all of our ministry spaces in the long term.

The #WEAREROCKYVIEW campaign is a plan to restore that which has been lost, safeguard the future, and also invest funds for future Kingdom expansion initiatives that we believe Jesus is calling us to in northeast Calgary as well as through initiatives well beyond Rockyview as well.

We invite you to join us in building spaces that will serve the Kingdom of God not only today, but for many years to come.

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TRANSFORM



And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are transformed into his glorious image.” - 2Cor. 3:18

Transforming Lives

God desires that people be changed—literally, truly and wonderfully by His work in their lives. Many people spend their whole lives trying to become different, better versions of themselves.

But imagine a church where people find that the deepest longings of their souls are satisfied in Jesus. It can and should be a place where people find their way home, where addictions can be broken, where the guilty can find forgiveness, where depression can be exchanged for hope and where healing can happen for all of us.

I have come, Jesus said in Luke 4, “...to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the Lord’s favor has come.”

Let’s join Jesus in doing more of that. That’s what #WEAREROCKYVIEW is all about.



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BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE



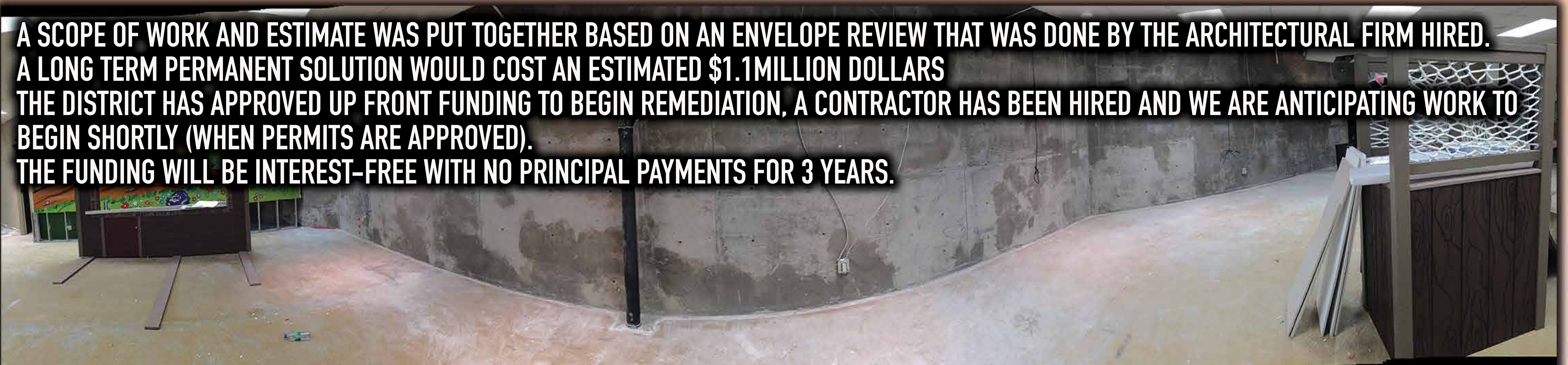
A BRIEF HISTORY

THE BUILDING WAS ORIGINALLY CONSTRUCTED IN 1979.
THERE HAS BEEN A LONG HISTORY OF REPEATED WATER LEAKAGE ISSUES IN THE BASEMENT.
THE BASEMENT WAS HIT BY FLASH FLOODS AND EXTENSIVELY DAMAGED IN 2015. INSURANCE DENIED COVERAGE FOR OVERLAND FLOODING.
THE BOARD OF ELDERS HIRED AN ARCHITECTURAL FIRM TO HELP DIVISE A PLAN FOR REMEDIATION.



OUR CURRENT SITUATION

A SCOPE OF WORK AND ESTIMATE WAS PUT TOGETHER BASED ON AN ENVELOPE REVIEW THAT WAS DONE BY THE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM HIRED.
A LONG TERM PERMANENT SOLUTION WOULD COST AN ESTIMATED \$1.1MILLION DOLLARS
THE DISTRICT HAS APPROVED UP FRONT FUNDING TO BEGIN REMEDIATION, A CONTRACTOR HAS BEEN HIRED AND WE ARE ANTICIPATING WORK TO BEGIN SHORTLY (WHEN PERMITS ARE APPROVED).
THE FUNDING WILL BE INTEREST-FREE WITH NO PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS FOR 3 YEARS.



OUR GOAL

We invite you to join us as #WEAREROCKYVIEW to take on this 3-year financial commitment to this campaign. Below you will find a practical guide to assist you as you consider how you might give financially alongside us. We encourage you to pray and to talk with your family about what you can do beyond your regular giving to Rockyview Alliance Church by inviting you to pledge to this financial campaign.

FINANCIAL GOAL – \$800K

- 1. 400K REMEDIATION AND REBUILD
- 2. 300K EXISTING MORTGAGE
- 3. 100K KINGDOM EXPANSION
(Sending & Supporting Missionaries, Community Partnerships, Church Land Development Exploration etc.)

How Small Sacrifices Can Make Big Dividends

CHANGE IN HABIT	AMOUNT SAVED	3-YEAR TOTAL
Weekly movie rental	\$6.00	\$936
Daily coffee	\$3.00	\$3285
NETFLIX (Monthly)	\$9.00	\$324
Movie Date for 2 (Twice a month)	\$25.00	\$1800
Dinner Out (Family of 4 1/Month)	\$80.00	\$2880
Daily lunch Out (5 Days a Week)	\$60.00	\$9360

GIVING GUIDE

WEEKLY	MONTHLY	YEARLY	TAX CREDIT	NET GIFT
\$12.50	\$50	\$600	\$250	\$350
\$25	\$100	\$1200	\$550	\$650
\$50	\$200	\$2400	\$1150	\$1250
\$75	\$300	\$3600	\$1750	\$1850
\$100	\$400	\$4800	\$2350	\$2450
\$150	\$600	\$7200	\$3550	\$3650
\$250	\$1000	\$12000	\$5950	\$6050

Example – Donor gives \$2400 to the campaign for the year, the donor will receive a tax credit of \$1150 making the overall expense to the donor only \$1250.

Our invitation with the #WEAREROCKYVIEW campaign is that you would take to heart the call to seek first His Kingdom with us at Rockyview, build spaces for ministry in Jesus name, and participate in the transforming work of Jesus in the North East of Calgary.

This requires that we look to the future together and envision a neighborhood that is increasingly touched and shaped by Jesus! To that end, we all need to consider how to be involved generously, how to trim

expenses and give, perhaps to even sell an asset and contribute, or rearrange our giving for the sake of the adventure before us! He has led us to this point, how will you respond?

It is my prayer that as we respond, we will discover that what appears to be a sacrifice today will turn out to be the greatest investment that we will ever make.

#WEAREROCKYVIEW

Pastor Shawn Vickar



MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPAIGN STEERING COMMITTEE DIRECTOR



In addition to this booklet, our committee has also created a #WEAREROCKYVIEW video which we would love for you to watch. It is available on the Rockyview Alliance Church website.

It has been a real privilege for me to lead such a great team of people. Thank you to our Steering Committee: David Belsey, Barry and Judy Frentz, Daniel and Jordan Lyons, Cheryl Miller, Anne Norris, Gini Vickar, Rita Franklin, Ashley Dunham, Brian Argue and Pastors Shawn Vickar and Dan Nel.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart, for joining us on this journey to seek, build and transform Rockyview Alliance Church.

Arun Kurian - Committee Chairman
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