

A Family of God showing the Love & Truth of Jesus in our families, in our neighborhood, in our city and in our world!



FEBRUARY 18 & 19, 2023

1815 Rupert St. Regina SK

Welcome to Rockbridge

On the occasion of our 50th anniversary, formally known as Glencairn Alliance Church and now Rockbridge Alliance Church, it is with great joy and love that I extend greetings to everyone on this special weekend. We've chosen "Walking in Faith" as our theme since God has been faithful to us throughout the generations. As we look back "each generation commends your works to another: they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty...they tell of the power of your awesome works-and we will proclaim your great deeds." (Psalm 145)

As you walk down memory lane, as you look at the photographs, you may see yourself. You may see old friends and acquaintances. You will see students from Canadian Bible College, Canadian Theological Seminar, and faculty members. Let these pictures remind you of God's faithfulness and goodness. I hope this weekend you will have the opportunity to renew friendships with those who love the Lord and faithfully live out their lives and trust God with their future.

We may never realize the impact our church has had on so many people who have walked through our doors and experienced the ministries of our church, people who have gone on to serve God in their communities and workplaces, in fulltime ministry, and as international workers around the world.

As we move forward as a community of God's people, let's continue to walk in faith and as we walk in faith, may the abundant gifts and blessings of God continue to guide us and

sustain us for the next 50 years. May those who gather on our 75th anniversary remember how we as a generation commended Gods splendor and glorious works to the next generation.

Pastor Barry & Michelle Bruce



Saturday February 18, 2023



MEMORY LANE

Wander the hallways of the past and present as you explore the displays on the lower level.

Be sure to check out the Photo Booth – lots of fun props!

Sunday February 19, 2023

10:30AM SERVICE

Worship: Warren Mills and Team

Message from District office: Heather Salerno

Testimony: Dr. Michael Tymchak

Message: Pastor John McGregor

Nursery – newborn to 3yr. Children's Church 4yr- Gr. 5



6PM BANQUET Charlotte's Catering will be serving a delicious meal of roast beef with all the trimmings and of course dessert!

7:30PM PROGRAM Worship: Warren Mills and Team



Testimony: Darren Johnston

Message: Pastor Tom McCullagh

Childcare available on lower level.



COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Following the Sunday Worship Service, we will be having refreshments served on the main floor.

Rev. Tom McCullagh

Over the last 30 years I've had the opportunity to serve in a pastoral role to people from the Philippines to Ireland, Saskatchewan (Meadow Lake Alliance Church and Glencairn



Alliance Church). For the 15 years I am serving presently with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) as a Chaplain. I have been married for over 30 years to Rachel and we have one daughter. My passion is to see people live well emotionally and spiritually.

Rev. John McGregor

Pastor John McGregor was born and brought up in Northern Ireland and emigrated to Canada with his family in 1976. He came to Regina in 2003 to be the director of the Canadian Revival



Fellowship. He and his wife Roberta have four children. Pastor John started attending Glencairn in February 2003, when he became their pastor in 2009 until his retirement in 2016. He is currently leading John McGregor Ministries which is an online evangelism ministry.

History of Glencairn and Rockbridge Alliance Church:

1973 - 1975: Glencairn Alliance Church (GAC) originated as a church plant by Woodward Avenue Alliance Church. The desire was to have an evangelistic community on the east side of the city of Regina. A portable building was placed on 139 Cannon Street. Pastor Arden Adrian was appointed to this new community and a dedication service was held on January 1973. Pastor Arden led this little community of 22 members for two and a half years. After the conclusion of Pastor Arden's ministry, Pastor Wayne Kerr came on staff in the fall of 1975.

1976 - 1990: GAC saw tremendous growth during the tenure of Pastor Wayne Kerr. Church membership grew from 28 in his first year to 135 by 1990. This numerical growth was considered a sign of great things happening at GAC. We were blessed with the preaching ministry of Rev. Ross Ingram, Rev. Bill McAlpine, Rev. John Robb and Rev. Martin Sanders. A couple of major events took place in the first few years of Pastor Wayne's leadership. The first event was the construction of a permanent building on Canon Street in the spring of 1977 which better served the needs of the growing church. The dedication service was held on March 12, 1978. The second event was a children's crusade, which saw 550 children take part in the final service. Many of these neighbourhood children and their families were un-churched and became regular attenders at GAC. Throughout these years, hundreds of students from Canadian Bible College and Canadian Theological Seminary (CBC/CTS) participated in services and ministries at GAC.

In 1983 in order to accommodate the large congregation, GAC begin to have two Sunday morning services. In 1984, GAC planted a new work called Heritage Alliance Church. Heritage Alliance Church continues to worship in Regina to this day. Even with these efforts to branch out, GAC found themselves at full capacity. In 1987 the decision was made to purchase land on the east side of Regina in order to accommodate a new building three times the capacity of their present building.

1991 - 1992 Pastor Martin Sanders served as an interim lead pastor for three months. He taught at the seminary and was a gifted preacher. Pastor Brian Reynolds became the Pastor in April of 1991 who was a great communicator of God's Word as well.

1993 - 2001 Pastor Dan Pope became the lead pastor and along with his wife, Wendy, they were "truth and grace" as they shepherded their congregants. By 1994 it became apparent that the church could not afford both the land and the building on Cannon Street. A decision was made to keep the land and sell the building. In 1995 GAC began to meet in F.W. Johnson High School, expecting this to be a short-term arrangement.

2002 - 2003 Dr. Kelvin Friebel served as interim lead pastor on a part-time basis. During his tenure, he moved GAC from meeting at F.W. Johnson to meeting in the chapel at Canadian Bible College where he served as a professor at the Seminary. People were enriched by the depth of his theological preaching.

2003 - 2009 Pastor Tom McCullagh accepted the call to serve as full-time lead pastor. The move of Canadian Bible College (CBC) and Canadian Theological Seminary (CTS) from Regina to Calgary had a significant impact upon many churches in Regina. As a result of this move, Pastor Tom found a temporary home for GAC back at 139 Cannon Street where we were welcomed by the Christian Reformed Church. Back on Cannon Street, GAC membership enjoyed a period of deepening relationships with one another and with God. **2009 - 2016** Pastor John joined the Glencairn family and served with the fullness of God's Spirit, and a passion to reach people with the Gospel. Although he retired in 2016, ministry is his life calling as he continues to provide an evangelism ministry.

2016 - Present - Pastor Barry Bruce was called to be the Lead Pastor and was installed in April 2016. This new chapter at GAC is not just marked by the arrival of a new lead pastor but also by the arrival of the people of the Regina Filipino Alliance Church (RFAC). Pastor Barry was serving as the part time pastor of the RFAC and under the leadership and consultation of Dr. Michael Tymchak, RFAC decided to join GAC.

In 2019 after many congregational meetings and with the financial support of the Canadian Midwest District and Superintendent Rev. Al Fedorak, the leadership of Glencairn Alliance Church decided to purchase the Victory Church on 1815 Rupert Street. With a new location, there was a new name, and Rockbridge Alliance Church celebrated their first Sunday on June 30th, 2019.

This has been quite a journey in the past 50 years. We continue as God's people, representing people from all over the world who have been called by God to show the love and truth of Jesus in our families, in our neighborhood, in our city and in our world. We look forward to what God has in store for us as we trust the Holy Spirit to empower us and to lead us into the future. By the grace of God and for His glory, it is going to be an exciting journey of stepping out in faith and trusting completely in the Sovereignty of God to lead us.

STAFF HISTORY 1973-2023

Senior Pastor

| Sept. 1972 - Aug. 1975 | Arden Adrian |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| Aug. 1975 - Sept. 1990 | Wayne Kerr |
| Oct. 1990 - Dec. 1990 | Martin Sanders |
| Apr. 1991 - Aug. 1992 | Brian Reynolds |
| Jan. 1993 - May 2001 | Daniel Pope |
| Sept. 2001 - Dec. 2002 | Kelvin Friebel |
| Jan. 2003 - Mar. 2009 | Tom McCullagh |
| June 2009 - May 2016 | John McGregor |
| Mar. 2016 - Present Day | Barry Bruce |
| July 2016- August 2016 | Kelvin Friebel |

Associate Pastor

Sept. 1991 - Dec. 1992

Pastor of Evangelism

2007-2009

Pulpit Ministries

Sept. 1981 - Sept. 1984 Sept. 1984 - July 1985 Aug. 1986 - Mar. 1988 Sept. 1988 - Dec. 1990

<u> Pastors - in -training</u>

Apr - Sept. 1993 1995 Gary McKellar Tom McCullagh

Martin Sanders

Daniel Pope

John McGregor

Ross Ingram

Bill McAlpine

John Robb

Assistant Pastor/Youth Ministries Leaders

| 1980 | Dwight DeMerchant |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 1981 | Ritchie Allan |
| 1983 -1986 | Len Warden |
| Mar. 1986 - Mar. 1988 | Jay Fuller |
| Sept. 1986 - Nou. 1988 | Tim Moore |
| Aug. 1988 - July 1991 | Allen Camponi |
| Sept. 1989 - Sept. 1996 | Grant Sylvester |
| Jan Sept. 1989 | Robert Neudorf |
| May 1997- Aug. 1999 | Barry McLeod |
| Aug. 2000 - July 2001 | Jerry Ritskes |
| Sept. 2001 - Aug. 2002 | John Haazen |
| Aug. 2002 - July 2006 | Sarah Weisbrod |
| Sept. 2006- June 2007 | Keith Forrest |
| Sept. 2007 - Mar. 2013 | Brad Brucks |
| Sept. 2013 - June 2017 | Dan Jefferson |
| June 2018 - July 2019 | Dallas Evans |
| Sept. 2019 - April 2020 | Jordan Tymchak |
| Aug. 2020 - 2022 | Crystal Durell |
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Assistant Pastor/Women & Children Ministries

| 1981-1982 | Faith Knoll |
|----------------------|-------------|
| Apt. 1982- June 1985 | Jan Smith |
| Aug. 1983- Dec. 1986 | Heather Go |
| Jan. 1987- July 1990 | Wendy Turr |
| 1989-1990 | Valerie Dak |

Jan Smith Heather Govinchuk Salerno Wendy Turner Valerie Daku (Music)

Children's Ministries

Nov. 1990 - May 1991 May 1991 - Aug. 1992 Aug. 1997 - June 1998 Oct. 1998 - Dec. 2000 Sept. 2006 - Aug. 2010 Oct. 2016 - April 2021 May - Aug. 2019 Aug. 2021 - Present Tanya Reimer Bonny Daku Rhonda Haas Colleen (Giesbrecht) Fritzke Melissa (Dunham) Wanjala Melissa Olver Jordan Tymchak Crystal Durell

Worship Director

| 1989 - 1990 | Val Daku |
|-------------------|----------------|
| 2001 - 2002 | Keith Kitchen |
| 2012-2013 | Matt Weisbrod |
| 2014-2016 | Mitch Goetz |
| 2017 - 2019 | Dallas Evans |
| 2020 | Mark Tymchak |
| 2020- 2022 | Kadmiel Obispo |
| Nov 2022- Present | Warren Mills |
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Special Events/Drama Coordinator

2007 - Mar. 2010 Keith Forrest

Church Administrators

| 1977 | Bonita Krahn |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1978-1979 | Pat Summers |
| 1978 | Helen Epp |
| 1983-1985 | Elaine Stulp |
| 1985-1988 | Marilyn Kirk |
| 1988 - 1989 | Debbie Rice |
| 1989 - 1990 | Heather (Govinchuk) Salerno |
| 1990- 1991 | Tanya Reimer |
| 1991-2002 | Bonny Daku |
| 1992 - 1996 | Donna Jones |
| 1996 - 1997 | Shirley Durell/Judy Kane |
| 1997 - 1998 | Judy Kane/Linda Goetz |
| 1998 - Present Day | Judy Kane |
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Student Intern

| 1977 1978 1979 1982 1984 1986 1986 1987 1987 1987 1987 1987 1988 1988 1988 | Anne McEwen Gary & Chris Balyeat Glen & Bev Boyes Rich Schindel Tom Hodgson Ed Kirk Wendy Turner Brian Derksen Dick Knox Sandra Gay Glen Menard John & Linda Brewster Jim & Marie Delainey Don Dewey Melanie McNab |
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| 1988 | Jim & Marie Delainey |
| 1990 1997 2015 2016 2017/2018 | Remi Boissonnault Erin Vallee Sara Johnson |
| 201772010 | Crystal Durell |

Greetings from the McAlpine's



Dear Folks at Rockbridge Alliance: Congratulations on this, your 50th anniversary. Your ministry over the years has blessed and nurtured many, including the McAlpine family and we are so grateful! We came to Rockbridge (then Glencairn) in 1982 with three preschoolers and many

miles away from family in Ontario. We were warmly welcomed and to this day have friends from those days so many years ago. In September 1984 Bill became Pastor of Pulpit Ministries and served in that capacity for a year.

We are now in our third year of retirement and enjoying time to grandparent, walk, read and embrace this stage of life! Many Blessings as you move forward in the years ahead! "The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace". NUM.6.24-26.ESV Bill and Heather McAlpine

Greetings from the Popes



Glencairn Alliance was the first church I served as Senior Pastor for 10 years. I appreciated their grace & patience as God was clearly with us as I look back with great fondness to my time there. Thank you.

May God richly bless you Rockbridge as you continue to serve our Great & Glorious God! Happy 50th Anniversary!!

Pastor Dan and Wendy Pope

Thank you to everyone at Rockbridge Alliance Church who contributed in so many ways to this celebration of 50 years of God's faithfulness.

Thank you to Judy Kane, who spent countless hours behind the scenes, making sure everything was completed to a high standard, while honoring and recognizing those who went before.

Thank you to Tyler Parker, whose technical expertise was used in everything from audio to a video feed, to Power Point, to converting video from VHS and for dealing with the many opinions on how to do it all.

Thank you to Betty Bentley for coordinating the banquet meal, and for being someone to whom this important task could be trusted.

Thank you to Darren Johnston for coordinating the set-up and take-down teams, as well as to anyone he recruited. Many hands make light work, and many hands were involved.

It was wonderful to have Bob and Marlene Grant involved, as their history of the church is so valued, as are their opinions and advice.

Thank you to Sharon Caswell for sharing her talents in creating the centerpieces and table arrangements and for providing the photo booth.

Thank you to the other committee members, Bill and Donna Turbuck and Brian and Maureen Howell for their contributions and their willingness to step up and assist wherever possible.

It has been an honour to work with each of you.

Sharon Parker



Barry Bruce Crystal Durell Warren Mills Judy Kane Susan Lacbong Lead Pastor Children & Youth Pastor Director of Worship Ministry Church Administrator Custodian

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