



ANNUAL REPORT 2025-2026

For AGM: October 14, 2026

OUR MISSION

To lead as many as possible to passionately follow Jesus.

OUR VALUES



A REFUGE

A place for all to find and experience Jesus: His love, care, and compassion.

Psalms 91:2 | Matthew 11:28-30



A MOSAIC

A multigenerational and multicultural community formed together by the Spirit to reflect God's kingdom.

1 Corinthians 12:12-27 | Revelation 7:9



REDEMPTIVE

A Spirit-empowered community leaving a long-lasting Gospel influence in our city and world.

Acts 1:8 | 2 Corinthians 5:20



INTENTIONAL

A Spirit-led community: thoughtful, purposeful, prayerful, and action-oriented, trusting God as we go.

Proverbs 3:5-6 | James 1:22



EXPECTANT

A Spirit-filled community reflecting God's kingdom values in our day and time.

Ephesians 3:16-19 | John 20:22



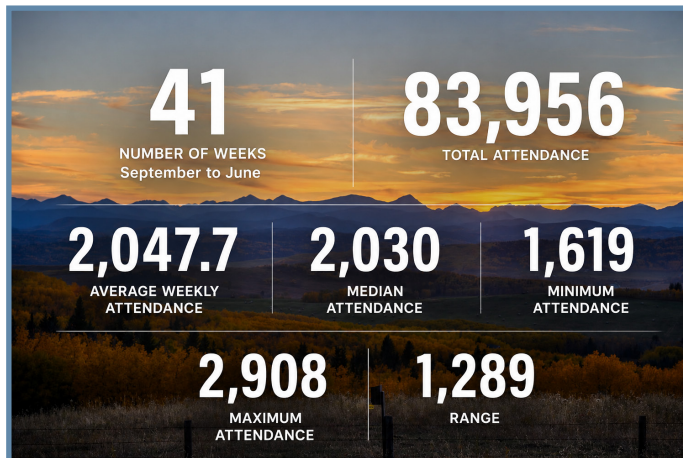
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Senior Pastor's Report

This year has seen significant growth in the life of our church. We have welcomed many new individuals and families, and witnessed God at work through changed lives, meaningful relationships, and expanding ministry opportunities. Each week, I am reminded that Southview is more than a place where we gather – it is a community seeking to passionately follow Jesus and help others do the same.



ATTENDANCE - SEPTEMBER TO JUNE

Throughout the year, it was encouraging to see attendance at our services remain consistently strong, with most weekends welcoming approximately 2,000 - 2,100 people. While attendance naturally varied from week to week, we also experienced several significant gatherings, including weekends of 2,379 and 2,908, reminding us of the many opportunities God continues to provide to welcome people, worship together, and grow as a church community.

FORWARD PROJECT

In May we launched our FORWARD project as an expression of our belief that God is calling Southview to grow through both expansion and multiplication. The proposed addition of a gym and ministry spaces will create much needed room to disciple and empower the next generation and serve our surrounding community in new ways.

At the same time, we sensed a growing call to extend beyond our current location by planting and partnering with churches across Calgary, particularly in communities where congregations need renewed strength and support. The FORWARD project reflects our desire to grow by going – investing in future leaders, strengthening communities, and helping more people passionately follow Jesus.

STAFFING UPDATE

This past year brought significant changes to our staff team. We said goodbye to **Sydney** and **Devon** from Youth Ministry, **Jodie** from Community and Global Engagement, and **Spencer** from Children's Ministry. We are thankful for the ways each of them served Southview and invested in the life of our church. There is no doubt they love the Lord and his Church, and we pray God's blessing over them wherever He leads them.

We also marked the retirement of long-time team member **Nadine**, who served as our Parish Nurse for nearly 17 years before stepping away from her role at Southview in December. We are deeply grateful for the many years she invested in our Care Ministry



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and for the compassion and support she provided to so many within our church and community.

Alongside these departures, we are grateful to welcome several members to our team. In September, **Katelyn** joined us as Junior High Pastor and now serves as the Associate Pastor of Student Ministry. In November, **Daniel** joined the team as our much-needed Technical Director, and in March, we welcomed **Jason** as our new Student Ministry Pastor.

We also welcomed several new members into important support roles:

Chara – Preschool Coordinator

Adan - Custodian

Sharon – Worship and Experience Assistant

Malina – Club 56 Coordinator

Judy – Parish Nurse of Congregational Wellness

Jessica – Parish Nurse of Congregational Care

We also had the joy of hiring 7 young people with our Canada Summer Jobs funding this past summer. **Alison, Morgan, Alex, Avery, Peyton, Marek, and Carter** brought tremendous energy, enthusiasm, and passion to our team – and , admittedly, helped bring down our median staff age along the way! We are thankful for each of them and the contributions they made to ministry at Southview.

And finally, we are happy to announce we have hired **Simon** as Pastor of Small Groups & Connections, **Bob** as Pastor of Local and Global Engagement, and **Candace** as our Next Gen Admin Assistant. We are grateful for the people God continues to bring to our team and look forward to how He will use each of them here at Southview.

STAFF RETREAT

This past June, our staff was blessed with an overnight retreat in Canmore on June 2 & 3, marking the first full staff retreat in nine years. There has been much change over the past years, so it was very meaningful to step away from our regular rhythms, strengthen relationships, worship together, and simply enjoy being together as a team.



We are grateful for the generosity of our church for the way it allowed us to get to know one another as individuals and as a team, encourage one another, and return to ministry with a shared purpose.



Senior Pastor's Report

STAFF VALUES

In June, at our staff retreat, we reflected on our existing staff values, discussed what continues to be important, and considered how they could better reflect the culture and direction of our church today. Following the retreat a smaller working group of staff gathered this feedback and carefully refined the language of the values. Through prayer, thoughtful conversation, and collaboration, we developed the following updated staff values to guide how we work together, care for one another, and serve the mission God has entrusted to us who work at Southview.



PERSONAL REFLECTION

Reflecting on this past year, I am reminded once again of how blessed I am to serve as Southview's Senior Pastor. I am grateful for your prayers and encouragement, as well as your faithful participation in the life and ministry of our church. Thank you for the many ways you serve, give, and contribute to what God is doing in and through Southview.

I look ahead with hope and anticipation for all that God has for Southview. There is much before us, and I am grateful that we have the opportunity to move forward together.

PRAYER

My prayer for our church is that God would continue to give us boldness to share the hope of Jesus, both in our community and beyond. May each of us be encouraged to Pick Your Gathering, Find Your People, and Do Something—to grow faithfully, build meaningful relationships, and take practical steps to serve and invite others.

May every service, small group, class, conversation, and act of care become an opportunity for people to experience the love of Christ and hear the good news of the gospel.■

With continued gratitude,

Ryan Graham



Operations

PRAYER

This past year has been another year for which we have much to be grateful. We have seen growth at Southview—not only in attendance or giving, but also in the joy of serving together and participating in the work God is doing through His church.

Andrew Shareski, Director of Operations

One of the things we have been intentionally reminding ourselves of within the Operations Team this year is that we are not simply supporting ministry from behind the scenes—we are participating in the ministry of the church. Whether we are balancing a budget, clearing snow, repairing a door, answering an email, fixing a computer, processing an invoice, or cleaning a classroom, even the most ordinary or tedious task can become an opportunity to worship God and bring Him glory. It is a privilege for our Ops Team to use the gifts, resources, and responsibilities entrusted to us to help Southview fulfill its mission of leading as many as possible to passionately follow Jesus.

It takes an incredible amount of work to care for our building and property throughout the year. A **66,000** square-foot facility and surrounding land requires significant attention, planning, maintenance, and financial resources to remain safe, welcoming, functional, and ready for ministry seven days a week.

Our team has been hard at work this year, and there are many people whose faithful service deserves recognition.

IT:

I am grateful for Mark Michaud and the significant work he has done this year to support our staff and ministries, maintain our technology infrastructure, and strengthen the security of Southview's network and systems. Many important improvements happen behind the scenes, but they help protect the church, reduce risk, and ensure our teams have reliable tools to carry out their work effectively.

ADMIN:

A huge thank you to Michele Black and the entire Admin team for the tremendous amount of work they do to support our pastors, staff, volunteers, and congregation. Their ability to anticipate needs, solve problems, coordinate countless details, and serve people with warmth and kindness has an impact across virtually every area of Southview.



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FACILITIES: I am grateful for Mark, Kim, our custodial team, summer students, snow-removal and landscaping volunteers, and our Operations Security team. Much of their work happens quietly and often goes unnoticed, but every weekend service, ministry gathering, community event, meeting, and weekday program is made possible in part because of their faithful work!

HUMAN RESOURCES: I am so thankful for Mary Ellerby and the care and attention she brings to Human Resources at Southview. This year included significant work related to job postings and recruitment, interviews and onboarding, ongoing reviews and updates of HR policies, the digitization and organization of personnel records, and many of the day-to-day matters involved in caring well for a growing staff team.

Beyond the administrative responsibilities of HR, Mary continues to help us foster a healthy, safe, and supportive workplace where our staff can flourish and serve well.

FINANCE:

God has continued to demonstrate His faithfulness through the generosity of the Southview community.

I am deeply thankful for Linda Cooper who leads our Finance team, and for Clarisse as well as our faithful finance volunteers Fay and Cindy. I am also grateful for Brent Foster, who serves as our Treasurer and leads our Finance Committee. And a huge thank you to our Finance Committee members who give of their time and expertise to help us steward the finances of Southview in a wise and responsible manner.

And we are profoundly grateful for every person and family who faithfully gives to Southview. Your generosity makes ministry possible. Every dollar represents an opportunity to continue to grow and serve people, care for our staff and facility, invest in the next generation, reach our community, and participate in what God is doing locally and around the world.

God has been faithful in His provision, and we continue to trust Him as we seek to steward what He provides with wisdom and generosity.

FORWARD PROJECT:

One of the significant areas of work this year has been the continued development of the Forward Project.

We have been working alongside architects, fundraising consultants, our denominational district, staff, and volunteers as we continue planning for the proposed expansion of our current facility and begin discerning where a future Southview location might be established in south Calgary.



OPERATIONS

There is still much work and discernment ahead, but we are incredibly thankful for the team of staff and volunteers who have already invested significant time, expertise, prayer, and energy into the process.

We have also been deeply encouraged by the overwhelmingly positive response from the congregation following the initial introduction of the Forward Project at the end of May. It has been exciting to see people engage with the vision and begin imagining how God might use these next steps to create additional space for ministry here at our current location while extending Southview's ministry into another community.

We do not know every detail of what lies ahead, but we are excited to see where God leads. We will continue to plan carefully, listen prayerfully, and trust Him to provide what is needed at the right time.

As we look back over this past year, I am grateful for an Operations Team that understands that our work is about far more than buildings, budgets, technology, policies, or administration. Our desire is to steward them faithfully so that ministry can flourish, people can encounter Jesus, and together we can participate in God's Kingdom work.

It is a joy and privilege to serve. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Shareski



Message from the Board of Elders

As I reflect on this past ministry year, my heart is filled with gratitude for what God has done in and through Southview. We have seen unmistakable evidence of the Holy Spirit at work—not through our own efforts, but through God’s faithfulness as He continues to draw people to Himself.

Throughout the year, we have welcomed many first-time visitors, seen individuals return to church after years—and in some cases decades—away, celebrated baptisms, and connected with our community through events such as our Stampede Breakfast and Neighbourhood Block Party. Taken together, these things point to the same truth: the hope of Jesus Christ continues to transform lives.

One of the greatest privileges of serving on our Board of Elders is praying for our church each week. Every prayer request submitted by our congregation is read and prayed over. We pray for our church family, our staff, our international workers, and those seeking answers about the faith. We pray with those who are walking through illness, grief, hardship, and uncertainty, and we rejoice with those celebrating new life, new jobs, and new opportunities. We pray as well for those who are new to Calgary or new to Canada, that they would find their home in the diverse body of Christ. We bring all these needs before the Lord, placing them in His loving and capable hands and trusting Him to work according to His good will.

We are deeply thankful for Pastor Ryan and his wife, Christana, as they faithfully lead our church family. We are equally grateful for every member of our pastoral and ministry staff, whose dedication, sacrifice, and servant-hearted leadership bless Southview week after week. **Hebrews 13:17** reminds the church to support its leaders:

“Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.” (Hebrews 13:17, NIV)

May we continue to be a congregation that encourages, prays for, and partners with those God has called to lead.

A significant moment in our year came at the beginning of 2026, when the Elders gathered for our annual retreat. As we sought the Lord together, we sensed a clear and compelling direction for Southview’s future. Through that time of prayer and discernment, the Forward Project began to take shape—a vision to expand ministry at Southview and multiply ministry across Calgary by coming alongside churches and communities in need. We believe God is calling Southview to look beyond our own walls (although we do intend to further develop this space), investing in the renewal of churches and the spiritual flourishing of generations to come.

We were especially encouraged by the response to the Forward Project information sessions earlier this year. Many of you shared how you, too, sensed God leading our church in this direction. While the road ahead will undoubtedly include challenges, we move forward with confidence because our hope rests in God’s presence and not our own strength.



Message from the Board of Elders

As the Lord told Joshua:

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9, NIV)

As we look to the year ahead, my prayer is that we would remain faithful, humble, and attentive to the Holy Spirit's leading and that we would stay “one step” behind Him in all that we do. May we take to heart the encouragement of Galatians 6:9:

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.” (Galatians 6:9, NIV)

Thank you for your faithfulness, your prayers, and your partnership in the gospel. It is a privilege to serve alongside you as we seek to lead as many as possible to passionately follow Jesus. ■

Alden Harms

Board Chair



Ryan Graham - Sr Pastor



Alden Harms- Chair



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Worship and Experience

As we move into this ministry year, we are praying for a deeper experience of the Holy Spirit in our worship gatherings and for meaningful connection across every generation. We pray that our students and young adults would build strong relationships with one another and grow in their sense of belonging within the Southview church family. We also pray for our children, from nursery through grade 6, that they would experience vibrant community, caring relationships, and a growing faith in Jesus.

Worship and Experience brings together the many teams that shape our weekend services and gatherings, including worship, tech, ushers, greeters, the Welcome Centre, social media, and Cardo Café. Alongside, Ali, Deonne, Sharon, and Daniel, I look forward to another year of creating welcoming, meaningful environments where people can gather, worship, connect, and encounter Jesus.

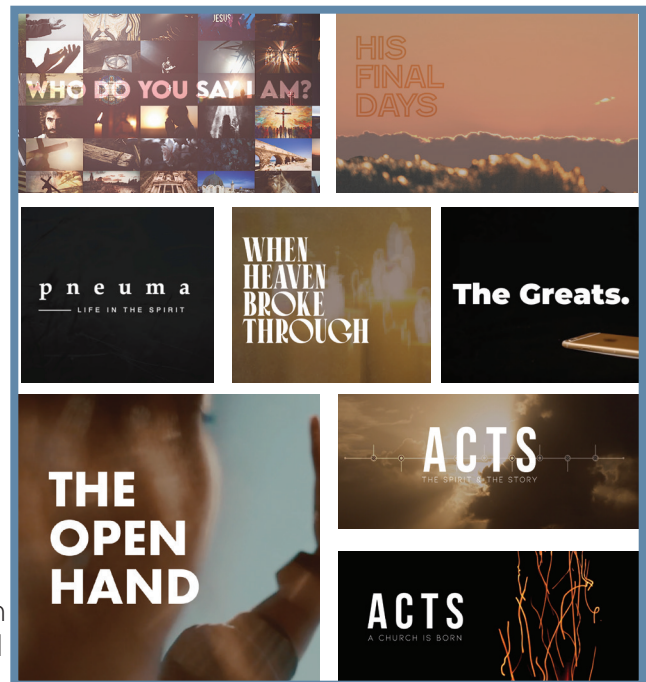
Brett Ashton, Senior Associate Pastor of Worship and Experience

SERVICES AND GATHERINGS:

Together, we sang **102** different songs and journeyed through **8** sermon series - *Who Do You Say I Am?*, *Pneuma*, *The Greats*, *When Heaven Broke Through*, *Acts: A Church was Born*, *His Final Days*, *Acts: Spirit and the Story*, and *The Open Hand*.

Our Christmas and Easter gatherings were also significant moments in the life of our church. **2,974** people attended our five Christmas Eve services. **1,644** people gathered for our three Good Friday services, and **3,118** people attended our four Easter Weekend services, bringing our total Easter Weekend attendance to **4,762!**

During Lent, our church also responded with incredible generosity, giving **\$45,000** toward our project in support of Love One Another Foundation in Southeast Asia - far exceeding our goal of \$25,000.





Worship and Experience

ONLINE ENGAGEMENT:

We continued to reach beyond our physical gatherings with our YouTube channel and Podcast.

Our YouTube channel received **32,062** plays and gained **310** new subscribers. As of June 15, 2026, our podcast had been downloaded **11,525** times in more than **81** countries, with listeners from places including Canada, Singapore, the US, Vietnam, Germany, Hong Kong, Spain, Brazil, Nicaragua, and Argentina. It is encouraging to see how Southview continues to reach people well beyond our church walls.



Check out our podcast - **SOUTHVIEV CHURCH PODCAST** - on all service providers and our YouTube Channel - **SAC CALGARY**.

BAPTISMS:

We have had **104** people baptized this year! It is always exciting to see people take that next step. We ran 3 classes and 2 baptism weekends plus our Pentecost weekend. We celebrate with them as their church family!

Click [HERE](#) to check out our Pentecost baptism video online at:



THANK YOU:

I would like to thank the **73** people who faithfully served throughout the year across Community Life, Worship Teams, Tech, and Livestream. Your time, gifts, creativity, and commitment helped make our weekend services possible and created welcoming spaces where people could gather, worship, hear God's Word, and connect. I am deeply grateful for the many ways you serve, up front and behind the scenes.■

Respectfully submitted,

Brett Ashton



Worship and Experience

WEEKEND SERVICE COORDINATOR

It has been such a joy this past year, to build relationships with the great weekend volunteers at Southview. Whether it's through giving a child a sticker and a high five, serving a delicious, sweet treat, assisting in finding a seat, providing information, or listening to a story of God's faithfulness, these friendly faces serve Christ through serving the Church. They welcome others in, inviting them to encounter the living God through worship and connection. Our Guest Services Team demonstrates weekly that there is a place for everyone in God's kingdom as we follow Jesus ourselves, humbly and faithfully.

We celebrate the unique offerings each person brings to the team and to Southview as each of us finds our place in the body of Christ, benefiting from the love and contribution of others as we serve together! ■

Respectfully submitted,

Deonne McCausland - Weekend Services Coordinator

TECHNICAL ARTS

The past six months have been an exciting and productive season for Southview's Technical Arts Department. With the introduction of the Technical Director role, our focus has been on establishing a clear vision for both our volunteers and the systems that support worship services, events, and gatherings.



Our mission is simple: to amplify the message of Southview, sonically and visually.

To support that mission, we have balanced strategic improvements with reliable day-to-day operation. This has included assessing our audio, video, and production infrastructure, resolving long-standing technical issues, modernizing Worship Centre audio, transitioning teams to in-ear monitoring, improving our broadcast audio, and equipping volunteers to serve confidently with updated systems and workflows.

Moving forward, we will continue refining our technical systems while placing greater emphasis on volunteer development, creating opportunities for technically minded individuals to discover, grow, and serve in Technical Arts as we support Southview's ministry with excellence. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Swinamer - Technical Arts Director



Children's Ministry

Please pray for our Kids Ministry volunteers—that the Holy Spirit would continue to call the right people to serve the children of Southview, and that those who serve would be filled with wisdom, compassion, joy, and a genuine love for the kids in their care. Pray that they would build meaningful relationships, answer questions with grace, and faithfully reflect God's love in every space they serve.

Please also pray for our Kids Ministry team—that we would remain unified in mission, find healthy rhythms of rest, and be sustained with wisdom, energy, and joy as we continue to serve with a smaller team. Finally, pray for the children of Southview—that they would experience our church as a safe and loving place where they encounter God through his Word and through the people who serve them. Pray that they would form deep and lasting relationships, grow in their understanding of who God is, and that the truths they learn would take root deeply in their hearts.

Children's Ministry provides engaging and welcoming programs during each of our three weekend services for children from babies to Grade 6. While our volunteer needs continue to shift throughout the year, we are deeply grateful for the faithful people God continues to provide and for the many ways He is at work through this ministry.

Brittany Barndollar, Chara Dees, and Malina Jaimeson - Children's Ministry Team



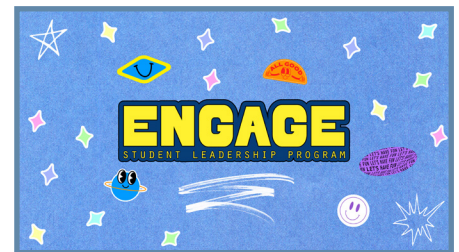


WEEKEND SERVICES

This year we saw another year of major growth in our kids area but we also saw God work in amazing ways by providing us wonderful and committed volunteers to see us through this growth period. Our volunteers, approximately **70** each weekend, seem to be connecting with each other and finding a sense of team together. We were able to split our classrooms into single grade groups instead of combined in Grade School and preschool was able to move the Kindergarten kids into their own space creating more room and more age appropriate teaching for each area. In Club 56 Malina worked directly with the volunteers in the classroom for many weekends which we saw pay off in the confidence of the volunteers and the engagement of our Club 56 kids. These kids have had thoughtful discussions and tons of fun all year!

ENGAGE

Engage is a leadership development program for students in Grades 4–6, giving them the opportunity to grow as leaders by serving in Children's Ministry. This year, we expanded the program to include Preschool and Tech, alongside our Kids Worship team. Each month, approximately **15** students gathered to learn what Christ-like leadership looks like, with practical training in the ministry area where they chose to serve



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Trunk or Treat

Our Fall event brought nearly **1000** kids with their families. We had such creative trunks for kids to get treats from and lots of positive feedback from families who enjoyed the event.



Winter Carnival

A first time community/family event that brought over **200** kids and their families. The building was buzzing with energy and everyone was having a blast. We had face painting, indoor snowball fights, carnival games, preschool crafts and games, a candy bar, a hot chocolate bar and a wandering snowman! Feed back was very positive and we had some volunteers that had not volunteered at our events before so that was great too.



Family Experiences

We held our Advent and Easter Experiences again this year. Both events were attended by many first time families. We have been running this event for quite a few years now so it was nice to see so many families that had never attended the event before. We saw so many families engaged in the activities together.



Kingdom Quest Summer Camp

What a wonderful week of camp we had! We had over **200** kids and around **100** volunteers for the week.

This year's theme centered around Jesus as the light of the world. Kids spent their week in their groups learning the 5 bottom lines: Jesus is the Way, Jesus is With Me, Jesus is Alive, Jesus Makes Me New, and The Holy Spirit Helps Me. We also had about **25** preschoolers in their own little camp learning that Jesus helps them grow! Over the week we had two kids make decisions to follow Jesus and trust that seeds were planted for many more. ■



Respectfully submitted,

The Southview Kids Team

Student Ministry

Pray for our fall retreat, ASCEND! That God will use this as a catalyst for deeper faith, stronger community, and lasting spiritual growth throughout the year!

This year has been a season of transition and growth for our student ministry department. Katelyn and I joined the team and couldn't be more excited for what God is doing at Southview.

Jason Balzer, Pastor of Student Ministry

ALPHA YOUTH:

This winter, on Tuesday nights, we hosted a Youth Alpha course where students, many of whom were new to church, got to wrestle with the big questions of faith.

TUESDAY NIGHTS:

This year we invested in our youth worship culture by adding a second youth worship team and incorporating worship into our weekly program. In the spring we hosted a worship and prayer night featuring student-led worship, interactive prayer stations, and opportunities to learn how to hear God's voice. It was a highlight to watch our students engage wholeheartedly in worship and spend time praying for one another and for our city.

TEACHING SERIES

Sanctuary Course

Own It!

Fresh Produce

Alpha Youth

Teach Us to Pray

EVENTS

Fall Retreat

Christmas Party

Gorgon

Fear Factor

Wide Games

Quest For the Holy Grail

Year End Parties

Grad Celebrations

Alliance Youth Rally

GOALS:

1. We want to help our students live out their faith by serving our city and the world. We're working to create regular opportunities for students to serve alongside local organizations, while also preparing for a high school mission trip to Peru in the summer of 2027.
2. This one is my favourite! We want to invest intentionally in our amazing team of youth leaders. Through leadership development gatherings, coaching relationships, and ongoing training, our goal is to grow together in five key areas: intentionality, stewardship, ownership, engagement, and discernment. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Balzer



Young Adult Ministry

COLLEGE AND CAREER

Pray for the 18 to 24 year olds as we work to integrate new young adults of Southview into our community.

We have had a fantastic year with our young adults! Many have stepped into leadership by facilitating discussion and Bible studies throughout various books of Scripture.

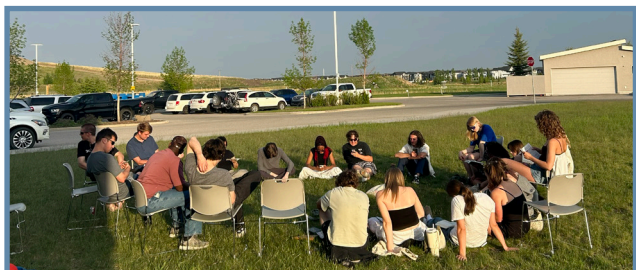
One of the highlights of the year was our spring retreat, where we partnered with other Alliance churches and welcome more than 60 young adults from across the city, with over half from Southview!

It was wonderful to watch community being formed and spiritual growth developed. We already have plans to grow this retreat in the coming year.

This year, we want to intentionally equip our young adults to hear God's voice and confidently lead others through Scripture. Following a teaching series, we'll invite young adults to prepare and lead a devotional for the group. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Balzer, Pastor of Student Ministry



25 - 35 GROUP

Pray for continued strength and perseverance for the leadership team as they serve this demographic. Also that additional groups would form, meaningful community would continue to grow, and that God would draw new people into this ministry and the life of our church.

MINISTRY STORY

On April 11, **SEVEN** members of the 25–35 ministry spent an afternoon serving at the Salvation Army's Hope Market in Forest Lawn.

Hope Market is a new initiative that provides free groceries to families experiencing food insecurity. Designed to operate like a small grocery store, it allows families to choose food items that best meet their needs.



During our visit, Salvation Army staff shared stories of the significant impact the program is already having, particularly for large families who rely on the service. Our team helped sort donations, stock shelves, and complete inventory in preparation for the week ahead. The afternoon provided an opportunity to serve together, build relationships with newer members of the group, and strengthen community while supporting an important ministry that is making a meaningful difference in our city. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Fernando Ebanks, Pastor of 25-35 Group





Congregational Life

To grow deeper in prayer by recruiting and equipping more people in our Prayer Teams at Southview.

I give oversight to all our Congregational Ministries and the Staff connected with those ministries. You'll hear from Justine (Pastor of Spiritual Formation) and Fernando (Pastor of Small Groups and Men's Ministry) in their reports, so here's an overview of what has been happening from a staffing perspective in Congregational Life and through our Care Ministries this past year.

Craig Somerville, Senior Associate Pastor of Congregational Life

STAFFING:

Our Parish Nurse, Nadine Hunt, retired near the end of 2025 after 17 years of ministry with us at Southview. We sure appreciated Nadine's nursing skills and pastoral heart in our Care ministries over those years, and we knew her retirement would leave us in need. Thankfully, we were blessed to find 2 Nurses from within the Southview family, and we hired Jessica Berg and Judy Johnstone to share the role. They have entered seamlessly and we're so happy to have them on the team.

Our Small Groups and Men's Ministry Pastor, Fernando Ebanks, reduced his role to part time a couple of years ago, to start up his Counselling Practice called Ascent Counselling. Since then, Fernando's practice has continued to grow and this year we began discussing how he could continue to accommodate the growth of his practice and have him serve here at Southview. We agreed that another reduction in his role at Southview would work best for Fernando and for the church. As of Sept 1, Fernando will be our Pastor of Men's and Marriage Ministries, and we've hired a new Groups and Connections Pastor to take the portfolio of Small Groups from Fernando's responsibilities. Simon Martin joined us August 15 to take on this new role of Pastor of Groups and Connections. Simon and his family come to us from Kamloops Alliance Church where they served for the past 7 years or so.

CARE TEAMS:

Our Care Teams deliver most of the front-line Pastoral Care here at Southview. We have **53** volunteer Care Team members who are spread into **5** teams. Teams 1-4 commits one week a month to contact those in our church in need of care and connection due to life's challenges. Over the year these teams made **253** connections with congregants and provided prayer and encouragement through those connections. Our 5th team was new this year and they focused on contacting the more 'senior' population in our



church. They made **323** calls over the year and offered connection, support and prayer through those contacts.

SUPPORT GROUPS:

We offer the following support groups for prayer, encouragement and support for various life circumstances.

- Caregivers of Spouses with Dementia - meets monthly through the ministry year
- Grief Share – Fall and Winter session
- Divorce Care – Spring session
- The Sanctuary Course – Fall Session and an Alumni group that meets monthly

FUNERALS:

We hosted **9** funerals at Southview this year. Many are for our Southview families, and some are requests from the community. We have a great team of people that provide a sacred and safe ministry to those who are grieving.

AN EVENING OF REMEMBRANCE:

On December 1, 2025, we hosted our fourth annual Evening of Remembrance for anyone who lost a loved one in the past year or simply wanted to pause before the Christmas Season to remember a loved one who had passed any number of years ago. We had roughly **50** people attend, and it was a very meaningful service with music, testimony, encouragement from the Word, prayer, an invitation to light a candle of remembrance, and a reception afterwards.



SENIORS COFFEE CONNECTIONS:

This year we held **7** Seniors Coffee Connections with an average of **88** people per event and a team of **13** volunteers at each event to put together food, décor, music and tech. These have been great times of connection around tables, food, singing and a word from a speaker, or an interview with one of our pastoral staff.

PRAYER TEAM:

We have a team of **233** people who are part of our Prayer Team in Realm. Each week we send out prayer requests from people in our Southview Church Family asking for prayer. We also have a post service prayer team that is available to pray with people at the conclusion of our worship gatherings.

BENEVOLENT MINISTRY:

Our benevolent fund exists to provide practical help to people going through times of financial or personal struggle. We've been able to offer help to people over **300** times for things such as: Grocery gift cards, Rent and utilities, Counselling, Christmas Hampers/Gift Cards, Back to School assistance, our Meals Ministry team (every 2nd Friday they met to prepare and deliver meals), and Year End donations to Non-Profit Organizations in our city doing kingdom work. This year roughly **\$102,250.00** was distributed to these needs.

Thank you for your generous giving to the Benevolent Fund.



THANK YOU:

I'm thankful for the staff and many volunteers who serve and lead in the areas I've listed here. We are blessed to have teams of people who desire to encourage, offer support, pray for and care for our church family.■

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Somerville

Women's Ministry

Pray that we continue to grow in relationship with Christ as a community of women, rooted in Scripture, pursuing His glory, and serving others in His name.

This fall, I'll be stepping into my new role as Pastor of Spiritual Formation. Women's Ministry will continue to be an important part of my role, while I also take on the added responsibility of cultivating healthy spiritual foundations and practices across our growing church. Two areas of focus this year will be prayer, as we begin the fall with 40 Hours of Prayer, and Scripture engagement, with congregation-wide reading plans set to roll out in 2027. I'm excited to see how God will lead, grow, and shape both me and Southview in the year ahead.

Justine Lofgren, Pastor of Spiritual Formation

BIBLE STUDY:

This year, our Bible study, on Monday evenings and Wednesday mornings, continued to provide meaningful opportunities for women to grow in their understanding of Scripture, deepen their faith, and build community together.

In the fall, **166** women studied Mark 1–4, followed by **172** women in the winter as we continued through Mark 5–8. In the spring, **174** women joined us for Lord, Teach Us to Pray, a study focused on the Lord's Prayer.

We are grateful for the consistent participation and for the ways God continues to use these studies to encourage, equip, and connect women in every season of life.



MOM'S GROUP:

This year our Bible study was free as we wrote our own curriculum. We were also able to offer free childcare for our spring study as a way to bless our young moms who joined in the Wednesday morning Bible study.



Women's Ministry

HOW WE SERVED:

Throughout the year, our M&M Ministry continued to serve and care for people in our community in practical ways. At Thanksgiving, we supported Radiance and the Journey Church Warming Shelter; at Christmas, we served Mamas for Mamas, Radiance, and the Journey Church Warming Shelter; at Valentine's Day, we returned to serve at the Journey Church Warming Shelter; and at Easter, we supported Mamas for Mamas. We are deeply grateful for everyone who generously donated, served, and helped make these outreach opportunities possible. Throughout the year, our M&M Ministry continued to serve and care for people in our community in practical ways. A huge thank you to all who donated and served!



GROWTH AND CONNECTION:

On the first weekend of Advent, 150 women gathered for dinner and fellowship to intentionally prepare our hearts for the Christmas season and reflect on its true meaning. Our focus this year was on the Advent theme of hope. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Justine Lofgren



SMALL GROUPS

Please pray that many people will become connected to small groups this ministry year and that new leaders and facilitators will step forward to serve. Also pray for our new Connections and Groups Pastor as he transitions into his role and become part of our ministry team.

This year brings a shift in my role at Southview as I focus more time to my counselling practice. Small Groups has been handed over to our new Small Groups and Connections Pastor, Simon Martin, while I continue to pastor Men's Ministry and Marriage Ministry alongside our dedicated volunteer leaders. I look forward to all God will do this ministry year..

Fernando Ebanks, Pastor of Men's and Marriage Ministry

Looking ahead to the 2026-2027 ministry year, we are prayerfully preparing for the next season of Small Group ministry and the opportunities God will bring through it. Our priorities include developing a clear Small Group Procedures Manual, ensuring our records are accurate and up-to-date, and strengthening the systems that support our leaders and groups.

I look forward to walking alongside Simon through the transition of roles and responsibilities in Small Groups, helping provide continuity and encouragement as he steps into this important ministry and begins building relationships within our church community.



A small group leader shared the following after one of our training sessions

Thank you for sharing these resources. I can attest to what was said in the burnout video about small group leaders not always needing to host or lead discussions. We've found it very helpful to **rotate both responsibilities**. We now have a **set schedule**, which helps **prevent burnout** while giving other group members opportunities to **practice hospitality and develop their facilitation skills**.



Respectfully submitted,

Fernando Ebanks



MEN'S MINISTRY

Please pray that God will continue to draw men to our events and help us build strong, life-giving small groups. Pray also that He will identify and call new leaders to serve on our leadership team

For the 2026–2027 ministry year, our heart for Men's Ministry is to create meaningful spaces where men can build friendships, grow in their faith, and encourage one another to follow Jesus faithfully. This includes launching five additional small groups, gathering regularly for connection events, and inviting younger men to step into leadership.

MEN'S BREAKFAST:

The Men's Breakfast focused on mental health. Participants shared the following reflections:

- "I am not alone."
- "Mental health is important and often neglected among men."
- "I now have a greater understanding of trauma."
- "Knowing that God is love and cares about me in every situation."
- "God is compassionate and not angry with me."



"Thank you for organizing this event and for including the table discussions. Everyone at our table gradually opened up and shared honestly. The men encouraged one another and offered wisdom and support to their brothers."
~Attendee

This coming year, I also want to continue developing our leadership team so they can take a greater role in shaping and carrying the ministry, helping us serve men well and build a strong foundation for the future. ■

Respectfully submitted,

Fernando Ebanks

MARRIAGE MINISTRY

Please pray that God will continue to guide our church in building and supporting a culture of strong, thriving marriages. Pray for our pre-marriage facilitators as they equip couples for a healthy and God-centred marriage.

MARRIAGE MINISTRY:

Looking ahead to the 2026–2027 ministry year, our goal is to strengthen and expand Marriage Ministry by preparing to launch a new seven-week Marriage Course. Priorities include setting the course dates, meeting with key facilitators, and recruiting and training leaders who can help oversee the course. We also hope to build a team to coordinate hospitality and refreshments, creating a warm and welcoming environment where couples can invest in their marriages and grow together.

THANK YOU:

To all our Pre-Marriage facilitator couples who walk young couples through the program and build relationships with them. One facilitator shared:

“We recently completed our mentoring sessions with a pre-marriage couple, and what a joy it was. Their dedication and eagerness to grow together were inspiring. Even though all of our sessions took place online, they consistently engaged deeply with the material and participated wholeheartedly in thoughtful discussions. They approached each topic with openness, curiosity, and a willingness to receive feedback. One of the greatest blessings for us was hearing their unique spiritual journeys and seeing how God has brought them together. We are grateful to have played a small part in preparing them for both their wedding day and their future marriage.” ■

Respectfully submitted,

Fernando Ebanks





2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Agenda

2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2026 @ 7:00PM

- **Welcome:** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
 - Call to Order
 - Rules of Engagement
 - Opening Prayer
- **Opening Business:** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
 - Adoption of Agenda
 - Appointment of Tellers
 - Motion to Approve 2025 AGM Meeting Minutes
- **Sr. Pastor Highlight:** Ryan Graham
- **Report of the Nominating Committee:**
 - Nominating Committee Report: Ryan Graham, Committee Chair
 - Election of Nominees & Returning Board Members: Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
 - Appointment of 2026/27 Nominating Committee: Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
- **Ministry Highlight:** Brett Ashton, Senior Associate Pastor of Worship & Experience
- **By-Law Committee Report:**
 - By-Law Committee Report: Andrew Shareski
 - Vote on By-Laws as presented: Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
 - Motion to Appoint By-Law Committee: Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
- **Treasurer's Report:** Brent Foster, Board of Elders Treasurer
 - Finances - Financial Statements
 - Motion to Adopt Financial Statements
 - Motion to Appoint Accounting Firm for Review
- **Ministry Highlight:** Craig Somerville, Senior Associate Pastor of Congregational Life
- **Members - Re-Affirming Membership:** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
- **Forward Project Update:** Ryan Graham with Project Chair Committee
- **Report of Elections (Board Members and By-laws):** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
- **Motion to Delete Electronic Votes & Tellers Materials:** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair
- **Closing Prayer:** Ryan Graham, Senior Pastor
- **Motion to Adjourn Meeting:** Alden Harms, Board of Elders Chair



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Annual General Meeting- October 15, 2025

Reference: Southview Church – 2025 Annual Report (Wednesday, October 15, 2025)

1. Meeting Guidelines / Review: Roy Harvey

- Introductions
- Thanks to Sheila and Warren Walstra for the food
- Thanks to Michele, Jenny, Andrew, Nicole and all the others who have worked to set this up
- Meeting being livestreamed. Approx. 100 in the room, 25ish online.
- Questions will only be accepted by those in house.
- Vote for Elders done by Simple Voting
- All other motions will be simple majority (show of hands) in house.

2. Welcome. Opening Prayer, Sr. Pastor Report Highlight: Ryan Graham

For details on highlights see the “Note from Pastor Ryan Graham” in the Annual Report (Report for the Membership). 95 baptisms in a year is an incredible testimony of God at work in our Church. Highlight of that number was to baptise 73 people on Pentecost weekend. Growth has been phenomenal but there is a need to focus intentionally on our 3 pathways. We need to work together to help people pick a gathering, help people find your people, and encouraging one another to do something. We need to carry this burden together.

3. Adoption of Agenda: Roy Harvey

Roy requested a motion to adopt the agenda as presented on Realm and the Southview website.

- Motion raised by: Alden Harms
- Seconded by: Steve Black
- Discussion:
- Carried.

4. Appointment of Tellers: Roy Harvey

Roy appointed *Brett McCullough, and Andrew Shareski* as tellers for this evening.

- Carried.

5. Report of Nominating Committee & Election: Ryan Graham

- Current committee members:
 - Ryan Graham (Senior Pastor),
 - Arch Wong (Elder),

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- John Nichols (Elder),
 - Jayne Burnham,
 - Toluwalope Omoyeni.
- New Elder Nominees:
 - Craig Jones
 - Todd Kennedy
 - Renate Yakielashek
- Up for re-appointment:
 - Valerie LeBlanc: Up for re-appointment, serving 3rd term – year 1
 - Alden Harms: Up for re-appointment, serving 3rd term – year 1
- Elders concluding time on the board:
 - Roy Harvey
 - Arch Wong
 - John Nichols
- Elders continuing the board:
 - Kat Linton: 2nd term – year 2
 - Brent Foster: 2nd term – year 2
 - Olubiyi Ishola: 1st term – year 2
 - Yolanda Alarcon-Sanabria: 1st term – year 2
 - John Amusan: 1st term – year 2
- Roy outlined the process for voting.

6. Appointment of 2026 Nominating Committee Members: Roy Harvey

- Consists of 2 members from the Congregation, 2 members from the Board of Elders led by the Senior Pastor.
- Requirements:
 - Current member of Southview
 - Willing to serve
- The following people are nominated to represent the Congregation:
 - Myra Brown
 - Tosan Chigbo
 - Jenny Stacy (as alternate)
- All in favour by show of hands.



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7. Bylaws Committee: Roy Harvey

Reference: Current Bylaws

- Current Members:
 - Janice Elmquist,
 - Don Kowalenko
 - Andrew Fisher
- They have agreed to continue to serve.
- All in favour by show of hands.

8. Motion to Approve 2024 AGM Meeting Minutes: Roy Harvey

Roy requested a motion to adopt the Minutes of the 2024 AGM/October 16, 2024

- Motion raised by: Jenni Pritchard
- Seconded by: Norm LeBlanc
- Discussion:
- Carried. Minutes of previous AGM adopted.

9. Finances - Financial Statements: Brent Foster - Treasurer

Reference: Financial Statements Year Ended June 30, 2025

- Thank-you to Linda Cooper and Andrew Shareski for helping our year-end go smoothly. Also, thanks to the Finance Committee who meet quarterly to oversee the finances.
- Statements are available on the website for review.
- Books are reviewed by an external firm, Dart Bryant. They provide assurance that the review is clean. (see the following quote from the “Independent Practitioner’s Review Engagement Report” within the Annual Report)
“Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Southview Alliance Church ...”
- Balance Sheet (the position of the Church as at June 30)
 - One of the bigger changes is the repayment of the interest-bearing debt owing to the Western District.
 - Healthy balance sheet for putting back into ministry for the coming year.
- Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
 - Ended the year in the black, a combination of increased giving and decreased expenses
 - Paid down one of the loans and included capital improvements of \$170k
- No questions.



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- Motion to Adopt Financial Statements: Brent Foster
Motion to adopt the Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2025, as prepared by Dart Bryant
 - Motion raised by: Brent Foster
 - Seconded by: Nicole Fisher
 - Discussion:
 - Carried.
- Motion to Appoint Accounting Firm for Review: Brent Foster
Motion to appoint Dart Bryant as annual review accountants for 2025-2026 financial year.
 - Motion raised by: Brent Foster
 - Seconded by: Barry Williams
 - Discussion: none
 - Carried.

10. New Items:

- Ways to Give: Andrew Shareski (Director of Operations)
 - Thankful to God for His provision to us and to each of you for your giving.
 - Our numbers have increased significantly on our weekend attendance. Our giving has gone up, but it hasn't quite caught up to the number of people that are attending, and we expect that, but that is something that we want to focus on this year. We will be talking about ways to give more frequently with stories of how people's lives are affected by our giving.
- Expansion – addressing our facility needs: Roy Harvey
 - Children and youth ministries are bursting at the seams. Both ministries need more space to be active and engaged.
 - Part of our 'out' strategy includes reaching out to our local community. Having indoor space available to our community is one of our ways of doing this.
 - The board is looking at a gymnasium and multi-use space that would be appropriate for classes and/or offices. A team is in place to look at how we can develop this concept.
 - We want members to be aware and to be praying for this team.
 - We anticipate being able to share more information in the new year.
- Members – Confirming Membership: Roy Harvey
 - We have 500 members on record, and we know that some of these people no longer attend Southview. Consequently, we are left with a membership list that is no longer accurate.



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- Sometime in the coming year you may receive an email from the church asking you to confirm ‘are you still with us?’ so that we can clean up the membership list.

11. Report of Election: Roy Harvey

- Members voted to reappoint Valerie and Alden and approved Renate, Craig, and Todd as new elders.
- 131 members voted
- Motion to delete electronic votes and tellers’ materials
Roy Harvey requested a motion that we destroy the ballots.
 - Motion raised by: Brett McCullough
 - Seconded by: John Nichols
 - Discussion:
 - Carried.

12. Questions pertaining to the Members Report AGM 2025

Reference: Southview Church – 2025 Member’s Report (Wednesday, October 15, 2025)

- Questions from the floor:
 1. *Question:* I am looking for clarification on the role of the pastors (for example, Ryan or Brett) in the church. Understanding that they do many things behind the scenes, I don’t see them actually preaching or leading on the Sundays. Why is this? *Response:* Ryan preaches 60-70% of the time. Amongst the pastoral staff we do have an expectation that they operate in a team-teaching context. Assure you that our pastoral staff are working well beyond the expected hours per week. Just looking at numbers we are actually understaffed when compared with other churches.
 2. *Question:* Over the last 6-12 months I see that we have continued growth. I’d like any comment on what does that curve look like? Is it gradual and slow? Bumpy? Where do we stand on growth trends? *Response:* We have grown significantly in the past 6-12 months with no noticeable decrease over the summer. We did see a significant increase in September and continue to be around 2200-2300 in a weekend’s services. This brings us back to our space considerations. Wonderful problems to have – we want to see growth for the sake of people in relationship to Jesus. As a Board we are starting to talk about what we are going to do to accommodate continued growth. We are incredibly grateful to God. His Spirit is moving and we continue to seek His face as we respond.
 3. *Question:* Question about the format change in this meeting in that we didn’t hear from our Pastors with updates this evening. *Response:* Our intent was to



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focus on the business aspect tonight. There is a Ministry Report that we hope people will read. *Comment:* Encourage us to attend this annual meeting. I want to encourage those who think about this for future AGMs to make this more than a simple business meeting recognizing that this is God's business and that we would like to hear more about the ministries (as we have in the past) and to celebrate together. Unless we choose to have another meeting separate from this one for that purpose.

- Thank you, Roy Harvey, Arch Wong, and John Nichols
- Special thanks to Roy who did so much in the lead up to Ryan's arrival and during this first year

13. Closing Prayer: Ryan

14. Motion to Adjourn Meeting: Roy Harvey

Roy Harvey requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

- Motion raised by: Warren Walstra
- Seconded by: Randy Wiens
- Discussion: none
- Carried.



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Nominating Committee Report

Have a Christ-centred focus with the desire to bring honour and glory to Christ through all that is said and done. Demonstrating strong character in line with the guidance of 1 Timothy 3:1-3 and Titus 1:5-9

The Nominating Committee, as selected by the Board of Elders and by congregational election, is charged with selecting nominees to fill vacancies for the upcoming term. The process requires wisdom, discernment, and prayer.

In considering potential nominees, the committee seeks appropriate representation relative to the size of our church, while also taking into account the key needs of our church and overall composition of the Board. The Board is comprised of up to 11 elected members plus the Senior Pastor who serves on the board ex officio.

Following a thorough and prayerful discernment process, the Nominating Committee is pleased to bring forward the following recommendations to Southview Church membership for the terms beginning October 2026:

BOARD OF ELDERS

An elected elder may serve up to three 2-year terms sequentially and must sit out at least one year before being eligible to serve as an elder again.

BOARD OF ELDERS CONCLUDING THEIR TIME OF SERVICE:

Kathryn Linton

BOARD OF ELDERS ELECTED AND CONTINUING TERMS:

Alden Harms: 3rd term – year 2

Valerie LeBlanc: 3rd term – year 2

Renate Yakielashek: 1st term – year 2

Craig Jones: 1st term – year 2

Todd Kennedy: 1st term – year 2

ELDERS ELIGIBLE FOR RE-APPOINTMENT:

Brent Foster: 3rd term – year 1

Olubiyi Ishola: 2nd term – year 1

Yolanda Alarcon- Sanabria: 2nd term – year 1

John Amusan: 2nd term – year 1



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BOARD OF ELDERS NOMINEES (2026 – 2028)

- Marc Duimel
- Gerard Feliciano

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Members of Nominating Committee which will expire at this Annual General Meeting:

Pastor Ryan Graham (Chair), Craig Jones (Elder), Todd Kennedy (Elder), Myra Brown, and Tosan Chigbo.

2027 NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES:

The Nominating Committee recommends the following members to stand for election as member representatives on the 2026-2027 Nominating Committee:

Jenny Stacey
Annette Phillips
Arch Wong - Alternate

OFFICIAL TELLERS

It is recommended that the following individuals be affirmed as our Official Tellers for any congregational business meetings in the upcoming year to AGM 2027:

Brett McCullough
Steve Black

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Graham



GERARD FELICIANO

Elder Nominee Profile

DESCRIBE YOUR FAMILY AND HOBBIES

I am blessed with a wonderful family and am grateful that serving Christ has become a shared passion across generations. My son currently serves alongside me on Southview's worship team, participating in both youth and main worship services.

Outside of church and work, I enjoy playing golf, running, listening to music, and working out in my home gym. I value time with family and friends and enjoy opportunities to encourage and support others in their faith journeys.

DESCRIBE YOUR VOCATIONAL WORLD

I serve as Director of Business Development with Capstone Asset Management. Capstone is Canada's leader in Christian investment fund management and launched Canada's first publicly available biblically informed investment solutions.

In my role, I work with financial advisors, churches, charities, and institutional organizations across Canada. My responsibilities include relationship development, strategic growth initiatives, and helping investors align their financial stewardship with their faith convictions. One of the most rewarding aspects of my work is the opportunity to encourage wealth advisors and other industry professionals to live out and share their faith in meaningful ways.

WHAT AREAS HAVE YOU VOLUNTEERED WITH AT SOUTHVIEW?

I have had the privilege of serving on

Southview's worship team since 2015. Music ministry has been an important part of my spiritual life, and it has been especially meaningful to now serve alongside my son, who also participates on the worship team in youth and main services.

Through these opportunities, I have experienced firsthand the impact of faithful servant leadership and the importance of creating an environment where people can encounter God through worship and community.

HOW DID YOU BECOME A CHRISTIAN AND HOW IS GOD CURRENTLY WORKING IN YOUR LIFE?

I became a Christian at the age of 14 and was baptized later that same summer. I grew up in a family deeply committed to ministry and church planting. My mother is a former pastor and church planter who faithfully planted churches that continue to thrive today. My uncle now pastors those congregations, while my sister serves as a pastor alongside my brother-in-law, who is the senior pastor of churches they planted in San Diego and Pasadena, California.

Because of this heritage, ministry has never simply been an activity for me. It has been a way of life. However, over the years I have learned that faith is not inherited, it must be personally owned. God has continued to deepen my dependence on Him and remind me that true leadership begins with humility, prayer, and obedience.

Today, God is teaching me to integrate faith into every aspect of life, including family, work, and ministry. I am grateful that my vocation allows me to serve the Christian community while also encouraging others



GERARD FELICIANO

to use their influence and resources for Kingdom impact. Through every season, I continue to see God's faithfulness and His ongoing work in shaping my character and drawing me closer to Him.

WHAT STRENGTHS DO YOU BELIEVE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD OF ELDERS?

I believe God has equipped me with a combination of ministry experience, marketplace leadership, and a heart for serving the local church.

Having grown up in a family of pastors and church planters, served in church ministry for many years, and worked extensively with Christian organizations across Canada, I have developed an appreciation for both the spiritual and practical aspects of church leadership.

Professionally, I bring experience in strategic planning, governance-minded thinking, relationship building, collaboration, and organizational leadership. Personally, I hope to bring wisdom, discernment, a servant's heart, and a commitment to prayer. If elected, I would seek to support the Board of Elders in maintaining Southview's focus on Christ, fostering unity within the church family, and stewarding God's vision for the future with faithfulness and integrity. ■



MARC DUIMEL

Elder Nominee Profile

DESCRIBE YOUR FAMILY AND HOBBIES

I have been married to Michelle for 36 years, and we have two adult children. Our eldest daughter Jadeyn, currently lives in Calgary, and our younger daughter, Carlynn, resides in Vancouver.

With retirement in March 2026, I am enjoying having more time to invest in family, church, friendships, and the activities and interests that I was not always able to pursue while working full-time.

DESCRIBE YOUR VOCATIONAL WORLD

I spent 35 years in the insurance industry, eventually owning and operating my own insurance brokerage. I recently sold the brokerage and retired in March 2026.

My career provided me with extensive experience in leadership, decision-making, communication, problem-solving, and working with people from a wide variety of backgrounds and perspectives.

WHAT AREAS HAVE YOU VOLUNTEERED WITH AT SOUTHVIEW?

I currently volunteer with Michelle in the Cardo Café on Sunday mornings and we have recently joined the Sunday morning Service Coordination Team.

Previously, I served for six years on the Board of Elders at Southview. I have also served as a Club 56 Sunday School teacher and volunteered in the youth program.

These opportunities have allowed me to serve in different areas of the church and, importantly, have given me a greater appreciation for the many people who

faithfully contribute to the life and ministry of Southview.

HOW DID YOU BECOME A CHRISTIAN AND HOW IS GOD CURRENTLY WORKING IN YOUR LIFE?

I accepted Christ as my personal Saviour at an early age while attending Camp Chamisall. My faith has continued to develop throughout the different seasons of my life, and I am increasingly aware of God's faithfulness and His leading.

Lately, I sense God quietly revealing more of His purpose for this next chapter of my life. I am learning that, in order to recognize His direction, I need to quiet my own thoughts and intentionally listen for His voice. I tend to want quick and decisive answers, and I can find myself wrestling with God when resolution does not come as quickly as I would like.

God is teaching me to be more patient, to trust Him when I cannot see the whole picture, and to listen for His leading rather than trying to determine the outcome myself. I believe this is an important area of growth for me, particularly as I consider serving in a leadership role within the church.

WHAT STRENGTHS DO YOU BELIEVE YOU WILL BRING TO THE BOARD OF ELDERS?

I believe my previous six years of experience on the Board of Elders would allow me to contribute with an understanding of both the responsibilities of the role and the importance of working together as a board.

My professional experience has also helped develop strengths in organization,



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communication, leadership, decision-making, and problem-solving. I enjoy working in a team environment and value hearing different perspectives before reaching a decision. I believe healthy leadership requires humility, good communication, a willingness to listen, and a commitment to finding common ground and solutions that serve the greater good.

I believe my previous board experience could be particularly valuable as Southview considers the potential building project and the significant opportunities and decisions that may come with it. At the same time, I recognize that effective church leadership is ultimately about seeking God's direction rather than simply relying on our own experience or abilities.

My desire would be to serve with humility, wisdom, and a willingness to listen—to both the people of Southview and, most importantly, to God's leading.■

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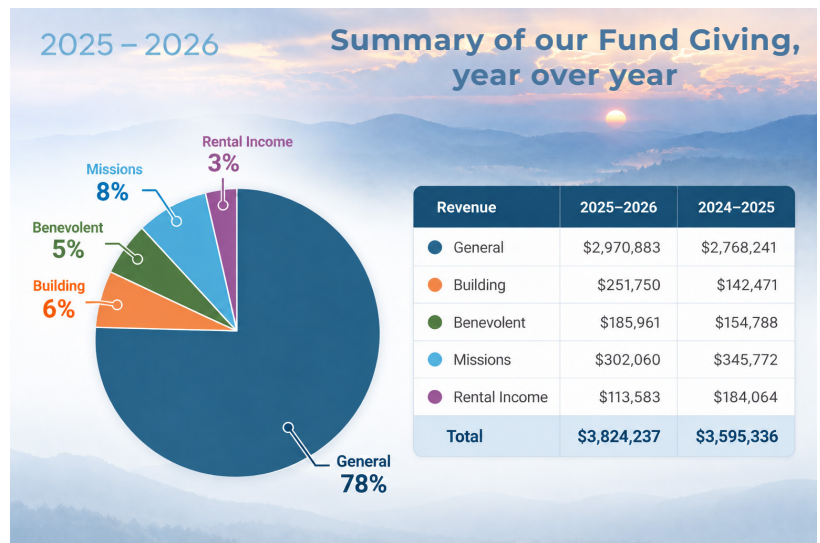
2025 – 2026 Financial Summary

We are pleased to report that through the detailed effort and support of staff and the Finance Committee, a clean Review Engagement Report was completed for the year ended June 30, 2026. Our year-end statements are prepared and reviewed by Dart Bryant, an external accounting firm that provides ongoing support throughout the year.

Our giving this ministry year was within 98.7% of our budget and 7.3% higher than the prior year. Our expenses over the year were significantly lower than budgeted which allowed us to address some deficiencies and upgrades to our facility of around \$106,872 in capital expenses and to continue to set funds aside for the extraordinary repairs.

Looking ahead for 2026-2027, our budget reflects the growth we have seen in our weekend gatherings. We've planned for a roughly 10% increase in giving over last year's budget and we are trusting God will continue to provide as we join in what He is doing in our midst.

Respectfully submitted,
Brent Foster, CPA – Board of Elders, Treasurer



Summary of changes in our balance sheet, year over year:			
Assets	2025–2026	2024–2025	YOY Change
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,372,316	\$994,527	\$377,789
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	\$217,675	\$299,362	(\$81,687)
District 10 Year Loan - interest free	\$408,209	\$476,244	(\$68,035)
	\$625,884	\$775,606	(\$149,722)
Net	\$746,432	\$218,921	\$527,511

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