

BROADVIEW CHURCH

CHURCH HISTORY & PROFILE

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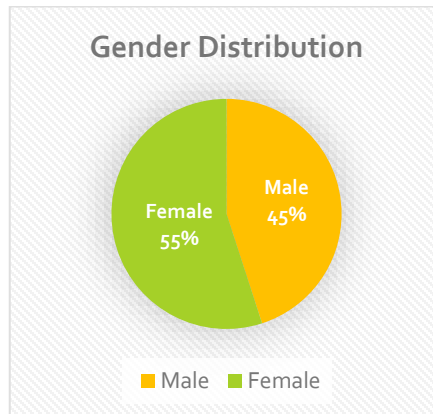
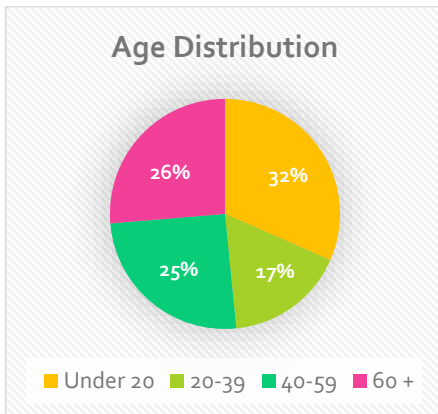
To be a community of connected, committed, commissioned Christ followers passionately reaching people for Jesus.

HISTORY

Broadview Evangelical Free Church was founded in the 1950's, as a home church which independently ran a Sunday School program before adult services were included. In 1957, the church was affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of Canada as the Evangelical Church of Salmon Arm, and built a small church building in downtown Salmon Arm. As the church grew in number, it was decided that a larger facility was necessary, and two and half acres were purchased on 30th Street NE to build the new church. The name was changed to Broadview Evangelical Free Church, and the church continues to meet at that location. As the congregation continued to grow, more property was purchased and the building was again expanded.

Alf Pohl was the founding pastor of Broadview Evangelical Free Church, and four other pastors served until Dave Penner was hired. Pastor Dave served as Broadview's lead pastor for over 30 years. In 2012, Bob Bartell was hired originally as a transitional lead pastor, but after a year of serving and at the congregation's approval, it was decided that Bob would continue as the lead pastor. Pastor Bob plans to retire in June, 2017 and the search for a new lead pastor is underway.

PROFILE



Approximately 7% of our congregation is non-Caucasian consisting of *Chinese, Filipino, Mexican, African/Canadian, Korean, South African.*

Number in Church Directory: 600
Average Sunday Attendance: 355.
More in winter, less in summer
Members: 175

COMMUNITY

The building project in 1997, made it possible for the church to lease space to King's Christian School. The K-12 school of 250 students, uses the classrooms during weekdays, and in evenings and on weekends, the space is used for various church ministries. When the building is not in use by the church or by the school, it can be rented by the community for sporting events, club meetings and fund-raisers. Renamed *The Gathering Place*, our building is a welcoming place for many people in our community.

MINISTRIES

Broadview has always had a missions focus and the congregation actively supports 11 missionary families throughout the world. Our local ministries are described on our website. www.broadviewchurch.ca