

As I start my fourth year of ordained ministry, I give thanks to God for all the opportunities given to me and the people that I've been able to walk along with on this journey. My ministry has shifted directions many times already, and I expect it will continue to change in the future. My role as a bridge from St. Barnabas to the wider community remains the base of my ministry as we model Jesus to our world.

I recently asked for your prayers as I started a new outreach opportunity at the University of Calgary. Food security has become a major symptom of the economic challenges facing all communities and the students on all campuses across Canada are no exception. The Anglican chaplaincy, under the leadership of the Rev. Dr. Carmen Maier at the University of Calgary's Faith and Spirituality Centre, continues to address this problem by cooking a nutritious meal and feeding the students in a Lunch and Lounge program every Monday.

With the support of the University of Calgary and the Anglican diocese of Calgary, our team of three (Carmen Maier, Pat Herrel, and me) had the great pleasure of cooking up a delicious and healthy lunch for 56 students.

Carmen and I feel that we can build on the success of this amazing program. Moving forward we are reaching out to members of St. Barnabas, and other parishes in our diocese, to participate as cooks, servers, and helpers on our team. We have already been blessed with an additional team member from St Barnabas. As the program is every Monday, we are looking at developing a number of teams to share the workload of cooking, cleaning and serving from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM.

How can you help? Ask me when we next see each other or drop me a line.

Your brother in Christ,

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