

United In Pride!

Your hosts are the Affirming Ministry Working Group of the Athabasca United Church. We aim to help our United Church ministry to grow and change, to move from merely “welcoming everyone” toward opening their hearts. Opening our hearts, as communities of faith, entails unlocking closet doors of silence, oppression, and shame in the church and in the community; opening hearts and minds to God’s vision of justice and wholeness; celebrating the full rainbow spectrum of human diversity; and responding to God’s call to love and compassion.

Thank you for coming and being open to learning and caring for all.

Rev. Monica Rosborough
Rev. Cecile Fausak
Margaret Anderson
Marion Kadikoff
Jean Keefe



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Free Workshop & Delicious *Pies*

Become

Public, **I**ntentional, **E**xplicit
in supporting all gender identities
and sexual orientations.

Guest presenter:

Michael Green, Executive Director
altView Foundation



Saturday, March 14, 2020
10 am to 3:30 pm



Athabasca United Church
4817-48 Street, Athabasca

Please register
call: 780-675-2341
or
email: sec.auc@telus.net

Guest Presenter Michael Green
Executive Director of altView Foundation
See <https://www.altview.ca>

The altView Foundation has grown considerably since it began as a small youth group in 2007; altView now has an office in Sherwood Park and employs three part-time staff members.

The name 'altView' means, simultaneously, 'Alternative View' and 'Alter View'. As 'Alternative View', altView works to raise awareness for the inclusion of LGBTQ people in our community in a non-conformist manner. altView provides an alternative experience to the heteronormative belief structures surrounding gender and sexuality. altView also refers to 'Alter View', meaning there is an educational component to altView's mission. altView aims to raise awareness, empower and educate people from heteronormative backgrounds that systematically exclude certain other ways of being, thinking and relating.

altView is a safe place for people who identify with a sexual minority or gender variant; the organization strives to foster the inclusion of individuality and diversity in terms of gender and sexuality. altView focuses on building community through social support, advocacy, empowerment, education and consciousness raising. Its educational mission is to raise awareness of the effects of systematic discrimination and oppression that LGTBQ people endure, and empower people to fight for equality. To this end, altView seeks to alleviate human suffering through the reduction of stigmatization and isolation of people who may identify as a sexual minority or as gender variant.

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Program

With Michael Green

- 9:45** Registration. Coffee will be on!
- 10:00** LGBTQI2S+
What do all those letters mean?
- 10:45** Sharing Circles + Plenary Q&A
- Noon** Delicious selection of meat pie, quiche, shepherd's pie, pizza and dessert pies.
- 12:50** Film preview "Finding Bobbi"
- 1:00** History and Context of Pride
- 1:45** Sharing Circles + Plenary Q&A
- 3:00** How to make our community safer?
- 3:30** Going home

We are pleased to welcome facilitators
Irene Fitzsimmons, THRIVE coordinator

Shannon Smith,
Aspen View Schools Student Services.

Come for one half day or the whole day.