



The Chimes



Centenary United Methodist Church

VBS Volunteer Meeting and Info

We are looking for helpers again for the week of July 31 thru August 4. Meetings to prepare for Vacation Bible School will be held Monday, July 3 at 10:00 a.m. to prepare a float for the 4th of July parade and Saturday, July 22 at 10:00 a.m. I would like everyone that plans to help with VBS to attend these meetings so the week of VBS goes smoothly. Please let me know by message or text to 608-482-3993 if you can't make the meetings but want to help. In order to help in an area you prefer, I recommend you attend the meetings.

Help on July 3rd with a float for the parade would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for volunteering time to help the week of July 31-August 4. It can't happen without YOU!!!

Cherie Uehling



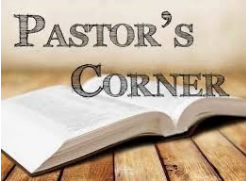
Calling all motorcycle and trike riders! We will be having a fellowship ride **following worship on July 30**. We will gather at the church at 11:45 a.m. and head out from there. We will ride for a bit and then find someplace to have lunch. After lunch, those interested can ride a bit more or folks can head their separate ways should they desire. Any questions contact Pastor Stanton at centenary.umc.pastor@gmail.com.

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Pastor's Corner

Greetings,

By the time that you read this I will have begun my time with y'all as your pastor. While I write this, however, I am still in the midst of trying to get packed for the move down to Shullsburg. Along with the packing comes excitement and anxiety. Excitement to discover what God has in store for us all as the members, friends, and pastor of Centenary UMC. Excitement about meeting you. Anxiety about getting everything done that needs to be done before Gail and I head down your way to start a new adventure.

As I look back on my life some of the greatest times have started with this mixture of excitement and anxiety. I am getting the sense that this may be one of those times. I trust that God has some exciting times in store for us together. Maybe even some anxiety filled times. Regardless I trust that God has worked through the Bishop and cabinet to lead us to this point. I look forward to seeing where it leads us.

I appreciate any prayers that y'all might offer for Gail and myself as we begin our time with you. Please know that you are in my prayers.

Until Next Time,

Pastor Stanton



The SPRC is looking for families to host informal gatherings to welcome Pastor Stanton and Gail to Shullsburg and familiarize them with their new church family. Dates will be announced once they have had time to settle into their home.

If you are willing to host a gathering, please let the office know.



Centenary UMC at a Glance

June Statistics

Total Offering:		Attendance:		Weekly
(Regular Offering, not earmarks)		(Sat 7, Sun 9 & 10:30, Wed 6:30)		Totals
June 3, 4 & 7	\$2,086	June 3, 4 & 7	15, 14, 29, 16	74
June 10, 11 & 14	1,813	June 10, 11 & 14	13, 18, 84, 66	184
June 17, 18 & 21	2,239	June 17, 18 & 21	10, 15, 9, 22	56
June 25	2,875	June 25		104



Vacation Bible School! Hero Central

Discover Your Strength In God!

Summer is busy with sports, camps, swimming, and family vacations but don't forget to keep Jesus as part of your children's lives. Vacation Bible School at Centenary United Methodist Church is set for July 31-August 4 from 9 a.m. until noon each day. Everyone is welcome and invited to come for the whole week or even part of it. I am soooooo excited about this year's theme: Hero Central—Discover Your Strength In God! We will learn about God's heroes. The adventure includes music, Bible stories, science, crafts, games, snacks, mission work, and more.

To be part of the fun at Hero Central, call the church office at 965-3455 or Cherie Uehling at 482-3993. You can also **register on our VBS website at 2017.cokesburyvbs.com/shullsburgcumc or pick up a registration form at the church.** Registration forms are available now including during the 4th of July. Please register ahead so we know what to plan for crafts and snacks.

We look forward to having your children join us for a fun week!

OH AND I FORGOT TO MENTION IT'S FREE FOR EVERYONE!!!

Upcoming Events



Please join us for our Annual Women's retreat Friday-Sunday, **September 15-17**. Our time together will begin at 7:00 on Friday evening and conclude around 1:00 on Sunday afternoon. We will be spending time doing a DVD study, praying, singing, relaxing, playing games, eating delicious food, and enjoying growing closer to one another and to our Savior.

The cost for the weekend will depend on how many people share a room. Each room has one queen bed, one twin bed, and a twin trundle as well as a private bathroom and shower.

Thurs-Sun \$269 - 1 per room \$135 - 2 per room \$90 - 3 per room

Fri-Sun \$184 - 1 per room \$92 - 2 per room \$62 - 3 per room

To help with the cost, Dawn Gobrecht is going to be doing a Candle Fundraiser which will be available to each participant. This will help with your cost of going and possibly pay for your whole trip. Look for more information about the fundraiser coming up. If you have any questions please contact Dawn at 482-0822 or the church office at 965-3455. Please turn in the bottom portion of this slip with your payment to the church office to register for this event by September 5.

Name: _____

I want to attend Fri-Sun _____ (# _____ per room)

I want to attend Thurs-Sun _____ (# _____ per room)

Phone number _____

Interested in the Fundraiser Yes _____ No _____



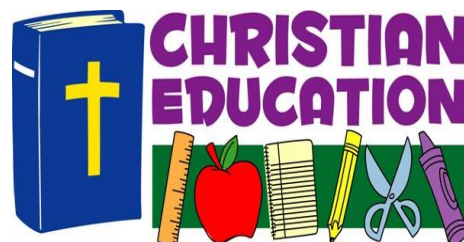
Christian Education News



Sunday school is on summer break, but we wanted to let everyone know that there will be a meeting on **Tuesday, July 25 at 7:00 p.m.** for anyone interested in teaching, volunteering, or helping in anyway this upcoming Sunday School year.

If you have any questions please contact Pam Harker, Tara Teasdale or the church office for more information. We hope to see you there.

Christian Education Staff



July Missional Giving



Mission money collected this month will go to **Vacation Bible School**. This money will help pay for supplies and snacks for the week so that there is **NO CHARGE** for any child to attend. If you would like to give to a different ministry, just write it on your envelope, but if you don't, it will go to this month's cause.

Food Pantry Giving



We collected 32 items for our May collection. Thank you to everyone who brought something in! For the month of July we are collecting canned Soups and Stews. We will be collecting these until July 20.



Special Needs Family Support Group

CUMC hosts the monthly meeting of the Shullsburg Family/Parents of Special Needs Children Support Group. These meetings are held in the Serenity Room on the **last Wednesday of each month (no meeting THIS Month)**. Meetings start at 7:00 p.m. with a 30-minute social time, followed by discussion/presentation of a topic. Please contact Jacinda Gunnell with any questions, at jacindagunnell@gmail.com or 608-558-6409 (text or call).

Meetings and News

July Administrative Meetings

Monday, July 10

6:00 – Finance

7:00 – Church Council

Retired & Re-Fired Small Group

Celebrating our Birthdays and Anniversaries is important to the Retired & Re-Fired Group. We set aside a special time at our meeting on the second Monday of each month for this celebration. We read the names of each person, light a candle in their honor, and lift them up in prayer. It was always extra special when our honored guests were able to join us for food, fellowship and fun.

We're all Part of His Flock



The good news is that we will continue to do this for another year. The bad news is that we don't have the date for everyone's birthday and/or anniversary. We also believe that there are folks who are retired or semi-retired who are not on our mailing list. We need your help, please. To have your birthday and anniversary put on our list, please call Mary Gensler at 608-482-2783.



We're planning our group's 4th birthday celebration for July 10 at noon in the downstairs Fellowship Hall. Please watch for your invitation.

July 10: Celebration of July birthdays and anniversaries. Also, a celebration of our group's 4 year birthday party. Lunch will be provided.

July 24: Bring your own lunch; coffee and tea provided.

Betty Gleason, Retired & Re-fired Small Group Leader

VBS
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Monday-Friday,
July 31– August 4
9 a.m.-noon

Fellowship Group News

Wow! What a June we had!!

The remodel for the Fellowship hall is complete and is beautiful!! Thank you is not enough for all the team work that it has taken for the completion of this project! Thank you to the Leroy Geyer estate for their generous donation; to Trustee chair Eugene Uehling for his leadership; to John Walker for coordinating this project with all the professional contractors; and to Paul Ranum Construction, Willborn Painting, Blaser Electric, and Lifeline Audio/Video for their talents. Thank you to all the Trustees, Fellowship group, church friends & members who helped with construction, cleaning, sorting and moving! So many people and I do not want to miss anyone, so please know that it is so truly appreciated the time and talents of all!!



We had our Red Cross blood drive on June 13 and had 37 pints of blood donated. Thanks to all who donated blood, brought bars and helped in the kitchen!!

Our Heritage Sunday was on June 25, and we served 80 or so members and friends.

Celebrating
150
Years

Our 150th Celebration was held July 2, and I will update more on this in the August newsletter. Thanks to all who brought bars, helped in the kitchen on both days, made pasty, served our lunch, or cleaned up, and thanks to the 150th celebration committee. It was a wonderful celebration!

We served a funeral lunch for the family of Sandra (Bennett) Foley on Saturday, July 1. Thanks to the Fellowship Group who came and helped serve, clean and brought food.

We will be having a supper after the memorial for Glenn Matl on Friday, July 28. The memorial will be at 3:00 p.m. and the Supper to be held after interment. If you are able to help or bring food, please call or text Pam Harker at 608-482-1579.

Glen was a quiet, wise, shining example to us all of how to live everyday in Christian love. You will be missed, Glen.

I would also like to extend a warm Welcome to Pastor Stanton & Gail!!!

We are so blessed with the talents of many, thank you! God Bless!

Pam Harker, Fellowship Group



Open Hearts Open Minds Open Doors
We are the people of the United Methodist Church!

Annual Conference Report

Every year representatives from the 600+ churches and the Conference staff and various other church related entities get together to learn new things, discuss issues and make decisions for United Methodists in Wisconsin and worldwide. This year Lois and I were privileged to represent you at this meeting along with Pastor Jeff and Pastor Stanton. We spent 3 days listening to speakers and voting on various proposals which culminated in the Service of Licensing, Commissioning, and Ordination in which Pastor Jeff was Ordained as an Elder.

The agenda this year contained some potential for controversy in a resolution proposed by the Board of Church and Society proposing support of non-compliance for some of the rules in our current Discipline regarding the LGBT community and same sex marriage. The Bishop ruled the proposal "out of order" citing work currently in progress by the Council of Bishops regarding these issues. Other business included reports from the various Boards and Commissions working in our state as well as ministries through out the world. Our church reaches a great number of people spreading the love of Christ and making new disciples in Wisconsin and the world. The Conference passed a budget with a modest increase of a little over 1%. This budget is funded by the Apportionments paid by local churches and includes six different areas of spending in support of our local churches, global and national connectional ministries, and other programs necessary to support our denomination. (See Pie Chart)

In his State of the Church Address, Bishop Hee-Soo Jung, said that the Church is in a turbulent and chaotic time. But he said, "Now is a critical time for us to answer loud and clear, "Yes, Lord, we have faith!" He explained, "This year marks the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. It is a powerful reminder that the Church has weathered turbulent times in the past, and will continue to do so in the future." At this time, he said, "it is imperative that we raise our voice together – one with Christ – to proclaim our faith. As so many in the world seek to divide, we open our hearts, minds, and doors to bring all brothers and sisters into the family of God."

Bishop said, "Certainly, we still experience the storms. There is a storm in our Church over sexual orientation and gender identity." But we have faith that our Commission on a Way Forward, formed at the last General Conference to guide us through the storm, will serve us well, he said. According to the Bishop, there are other storms in our Conference. "But I believe Christ is helping me be the shepherd for our leaders; to help them navigate the waters when they get stirred up," he said.

We have proven our faithfulness in what we accomplished in our Fund for Discipleship, the expansion of our camp facilities, and our Imagine No Malaria campaign, Bishop said, "and I have no doubt we will rise to the occasion to fund vital mission and ministry in the future."

Another exciting part of Annual Conference is the learning opportunities that are provided. This year Adam Hamilton provided three separate sessions on "Leading Beyond the Wall". He is pastor of Resurrection United Methodist Church in Kansas City and author of numerous books and Bible studies. His information regarding leadership, worship

and evangelism was both interesting and motivating. He posed a number of questions that helped participants expand and clarify their thoughts on current and future church issues.

The Ordination service is always my favorite part of the Annual Conference. The Bishop conducts a beautiful service with the help of other Bishops from different jurisdictions and Pastors from our conference. This year there 13 people completed as Elders. Two other pastors from South Korea were recognized by the Bishop as Elders for work in their home churches.

At the service of Licensing, Commissioning, and Ordination, Bishop Jung encouraged those participating to remember several main things: first, that the mystery of “One with Christ” expresses the ultimate desire for our life and ministry; second, to remember your role as a servant leader; and third, to work together for unity.

This service is a very moving experience in which candidates commit their lives obedience to Christ’s mission in the world; to lead the people of God in worship and prayer, lead persons to faith, to seek justice, peace and freedom for all people, and to take a responsible place in the government of the Church. It is especially moving when someone we know and love is one of the Ordinatees.

Lois and I thank you for allowing us to represent you at this conference for the last several years. Although as with any long conference, parts of it can be boring and more difficult to sit through we always come back re-energized and re-equipped to do God’s work.

Art & Lois Finnigan



Church Council Meeting

May 8, 2017

Minutes

Present: Becky Upmann, Pastor Jeff, Lois Finnigan, Art Finnigan, Tina Cruse, John Walker, Jamie Roberts, Eugene Uehling

Agenda:

Opening Prayer: Jeff led us in prayer and read a devotional prayer.

Pastor Report:

- Pastor Jeff has got a house in Johnson Creek, close June 15, will be out before Stanton comes.

Secretaries Report: Went over the minutes. There were a few typos that need to be fixed. After they are fixed, the minutes will be approved.

Committee Reports:

Nurture (Now includes the following committees: TLC, Christian Education, Youth Group, Retired & Refired Group, Fellowship Group, Wednesday Night)

- Sunday School - We had a meeting for all Sunday school staff on 5/1. We discussed the 2017-2018 Sunday school year. Tara Teasdale and Pam Harker will be CO-Sunday School Superintendents. Gave out covenants and had teachers sign up for next year. Good discussion regarding Wednesday night, Sunday and Curriculum. Will be getting information out for families to sign up for next year and also doing a survey for Wednesday night Children's church. Next meeting is set for Tuesday, July 25th. Our current Sunday school is winding down and the children played bells and received their awards 5/7 and next Sunday 5/14 it will be their last Sunday School day with a play day and also singing. Becky is ordering Thank you gifts. Confirmation is set for May 10th at 6:30 - 5 young people will be confirmed. Flowers, cake and a small gift from the fellowship group and congregation have been ordered.
- Fellowship group-Red Cross Blood Drive is Tuesday, June 13th for 1:00 to 6:00. Bars will be needed and volunteers. Signup sheet will be out on May 28th. Fellowship hall remodeling is going well but as soon as it is done we will be setting up a cleaning day to dust, sort our items and clean. An e-mail will be sent out to everyone to come and help with the date and time ASAP. The meal is set for the 150th Celebration. We will be having Pasty, Broasted chicken, Potato salad, coleslaw, Pie, cake etc. We will not be charging for the meal as we have funds available. We are also providing cake and flowers for the Confirmation students and for fellowship after their confirmation Wednesday night.
- Retired and Re-Fired- working on a video and they have had a good month.
- TLC- Met in April - working on membership list - 90 people not home bound who have been at church 1 time or 1 x in 2016 and 137 averaging 1 time monthly. Looking at data & they will be reaching out to them. They will also work with Sunday School to reach out to Sunday School children who have not been attending.
- Youth - Youth had pizza party- 1 more meeting set. Mission Trip with Eugene and Sadie set for end of June.

Outreach

- They sent out College/Military cards.
- Food Pantry: Tina had a meeting with the new Coordinator from Second Harvest. We will work on the things that she has to do as a church. She will have an update to us by June. She is in need of a Co-Chair for the food pantry. They would like to advertise more.

Trustees-

- They will meet on May 21, to discuss renovations update. More at June meeting.

SPRC- no one to report

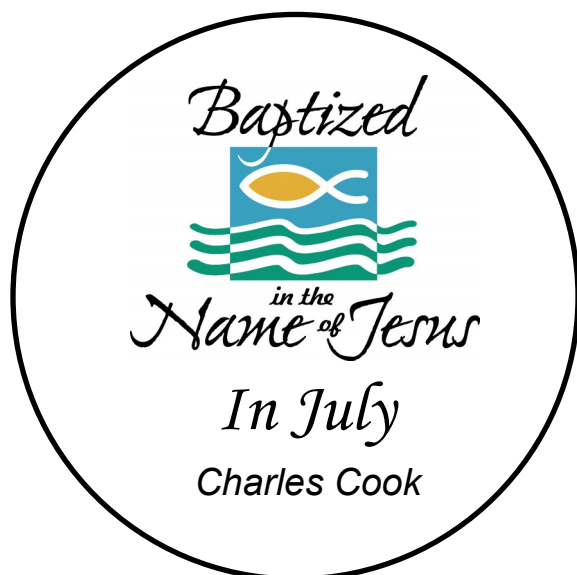
Memorial: no one to report

Additional Reports-Finance Report:

- We will be doing a Stewardship survey.
- Mike Cherry will be doing a Stewardship Moment at the services May 20-24.
- We are hoping to have a Stewardship/finance meeting in June.
- We have 8 efts and 1 bill pay so far this year.

Next Meeting June 12 @ 7pm.

Submitted by: Becky Upmann



July Worship

July 2

150th Anniversary Celebration
Bishop Jung

July 5

No Service

July 9 & 12

Mirror, Mirror
Genesis 24:34-38

July 16 & 19

Sowing Seeds
Genesis 28:10-19a

July 30 & Aug 2

What's That Like?
Genesis 29:15-28



From Our Parish Nurse.....

Sun Safety Facts

Everyone enjoys a summer in the sun, but some people don't realize the potential dangers. The following are some great facts and suggestions from the American Academy of Dermatology and the American Medical Association about protecting yourself and your family against the potentially damaging rays of the sun.



- 1. After applying sunscreen, you should give it 20 to 30 minutes to dry before going outside.** It takes this long after application for the chemicals to start working. Letting the sunscreen dry also helps ensure that it stays on your skin.
- 2. If you've been in the sun or water, you should reapply waterproof sunscreen every two hours.** Dermatologists recommend using a sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 30, which blocks 97 percent of the sun's rays. SPF's higher than 30 block slightly more of the sun's rays, but the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD) cautions that no sunscreen can block 100 percent of the sun's rays. It is important to note that even if you are wearing a high-SPF sunscreen, it should be re-applied approximately every two hours when outdoors and after swimming or sweating.
- 3. Surfaces such as sand or water reflect up to 85 percent of the sun's damaging rays.** It's especially important to protect your skin and eyes around these surfaces.
- 4. Tightly woven clothing in dark colors provides the best protection from the sun.**
- 5. The sun is strongest -- and most dangerous -- between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.** The American Academy of Dermatology (AAD) advises staying out of the sun during these hours.
- 6. A sunscreen's Sun Protection Factor (SPF) number refers to the factor by which it enhances a person's natural sun protection.** If someone normally burns in 20 minutes, then a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 would protect them for 300 minutes (SPF 15 x 20 minutes = 300 minutes).
- 7. The minimum SPF number recommended by the AAD is 30.** The AAD recommends applying a broad-spectrum sunscreen with this minimum SPF daily.
- 8. The American Medical Association (AMA) recommends that you begin applying sunscreen to your baby when he's 6 months old.** Ideally, babies under 6 months should not spend time directly in the sun. Since babies' skin is much more sensitive than adults, sunscreens should be avoided if possible. Instead, the AAD says the best sun protection for babies is to keep them in the shade as much as possible and dress them in long sleeves, pants, a wide-brimmed hat, and sunglasses. Sunscreen can be applied to exposed skin not covered by clothing on toddlers and infants 6 months or older.

9. Clouds and pollution often give a false sense of protection. Even on cloudy or hazy days, unseen ultraviolet sun rays can cause unexpected sunburn and skin damage.

10. Toy sunglasses worn in the sun may be worse for your baby's eyes than nothing at all. Toy sunglasses simply shade baby's eyes, making her pupils larger and actually allowing more damaging rays to reach the inside of the eye.

11. Some babies are sensitive to para aminobenzoic acid (PABA), the active ingredient in many sunscreens. The AAD notes that sunscreen containing zinc oxide or titanium dioxide are most appropriate for the thinner skin of toddlers and infants 6 months or older since they do not penetrate the skin and are less likely to cause irritation.

Sources: American Academy of Dermatology; American Medical Association

This page is provided by our Parish Nurse for Centenary UMC:

Marlene Stewart, RN, BSN, PN, WCC
(608) 293-1193

Please feel free to call her with any health questions you might have.

Sunday Coffee Fellowship News

If you are willing to bring snacks for fellowship between the two Sunday services, and following the 10:30 service, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary or contact the church office at 965-3455. A fund has been established to help defray the costs—just let the office know if you need to access these funds.



*The people you love need the transforming grace that only Jesus Christ can bring.
Invite the people you love to Jesus!*



July Birthdays



1	Katlynn King	19	Letitia Edwards
1	Sandee Schunk	20	Joann Kohl
1	Ashley Heffran	21	Peggy Ahlstrom
5	Jerry Droessler	21	Joy Redfearn
7	Steve Leitzinger	22	Alex Scott
7	Becky Mootz	21	Lenora Cherry
8	Nicole Champion	22	Wyatt Sperry
9	Lacie Palfrey	23	Cody Moyer
9	Peggy Moyer	25	Kate Fuerstenberg
9	Natalie Russell	25	Eddie Gierke
9	Eugene Uehling	25	Aloysius Martin
10	Bree Harker	25	William Martin
10	Kayden Champion	25	John March
10	Heather Hoey	26	Rachel Myslewiec
11	Austin Gile	26	Tom Teutschmann
13	Janet Popp	26	Sadie Uehling
13	Joe Lyne	26	Autumn Unbehaun
14	Chuck Ubersox	27	Brittany Lyne
15	Reagan Russell	27	Nevada Sandlin
18	Liam McGovern	31	Dawn Shawcross
19	Laurie Fields	31	Penny Walter





HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

2	Tim & Jenny Foulker	19	Jason & Felyscha Unbehaun
6	Curt & Shelly Russell	21	Chad & Katrina Gleason
9	Duane & Shirley Hastings	21	Dan & Susan Morrissey
10	Danelle Schmid & Todd Strang	27	Mike & Jenny Moyle
19	Chad & Tara Teasdale	31	Eddie & Sarah Santiago

June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 10:30 150th Celebration Service 2:00 Rededication Service	3 10:00 VBS mtg.	4 	5	6	7	8 7:00 Lay-Led Worship
9 9:00 Hymn Worship 10:30 Praise Worship 11:45 Trustees mtg.	10 Noon Retired & Re-Fired 6:00 Finance 7:00 Church Council	11	12 6:30 Praise Worship	13	14	15 7:00 Lay-Led Worship
16 9:00 Hymn Worship 10:30 Praise Worship	17	18	19 6:30 Praise Worship	20 4:30 Food Pantry	21	22 10:00 VBS mtg. 7:00 Lay-Led Worship
23 9:00 Hymn Worship 10:30 Praise Worship	24 11:30 Retired & Re-Fired in Fellowship Hall	25 7:00 Sunday School mtg.	26 6:30 Praise Worship	27	28	29 7:00 Lay-Led Worship
30 9:00 Hymn Worship 10:30 Praise Worship	31 VBS Starts					

Special thanks to all the wonderful volunteers that help prepare the mailing of the newsletters each month.



The Chimes



*Saturday Evening Lay-Led
Worship Service at 7:00*

*Sunday Morning Hymn
Worship Service at 9:00*

*Sunday Morning Praise
Worship Service at 10:30*

*Wednesday Night Praise
Worship Service at 6:30*

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Monday-Friday
July 31-Aug 4
9 a.m.-noon



A Vision For Our Church

"Centenary UMC will continue to be THE place to be for weekend worship. People will often drive by this church and think, 'That place is packed: I wonder what I'm missing?' Through our church culture and worship atmosphere we will provide the spiritual spark for people to see God in their daily lives and grow in their understanding, ministry and faithful relationship with Him."