## Full Time Church ~ Part Time Staff



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#### **Opening words**

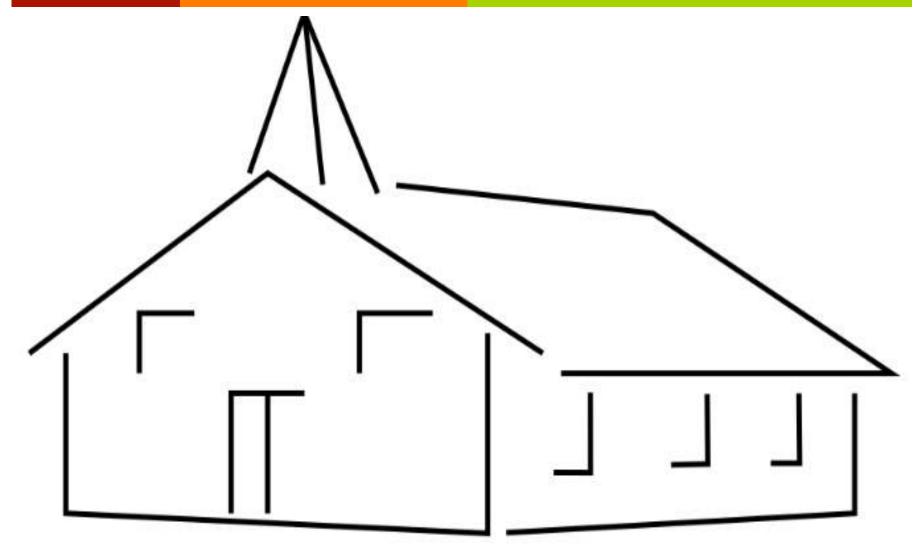
We light this chalice to affirm that new light is ever waiting to break through to enlighten our ways;

that new truth is ever waiting to break through to illumine our minds;

and that new love is ever waiting to break through to warm our hearts.

- Think about the bigger context in which you and your church work
- Spend time with others from your church thinking 'big picture'
- Know your congregation is wholly deserving of Love and Grace
- Take home at least one sparky idea to share

# What does Full Time Church look like?





### Changing Landscape

- Inherited vs. chosen churches
- Technology, information, communication
- Church attendance patterns
- "spiritual not religious"
- Generational changes
- 500 year shift



### Release





#### What does MY church look like?



#### Meet Eddie



- 13 yo teenage boy
- Boundless energy but can sleep for lonning times
- Great enthusiasm
- Not so great organization
- Easily bored with long projects
- Voice is changing
- Wide eyed, open hearted

#### **END SESSION ONE**

# Full Time Church ~ Part Time Staff, part two



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#### A Step Along The Way

Bishop Ken Untener

- This is what we are about.
- We plant the seeds that one day will grow...
- We lay foundations that will need further development...

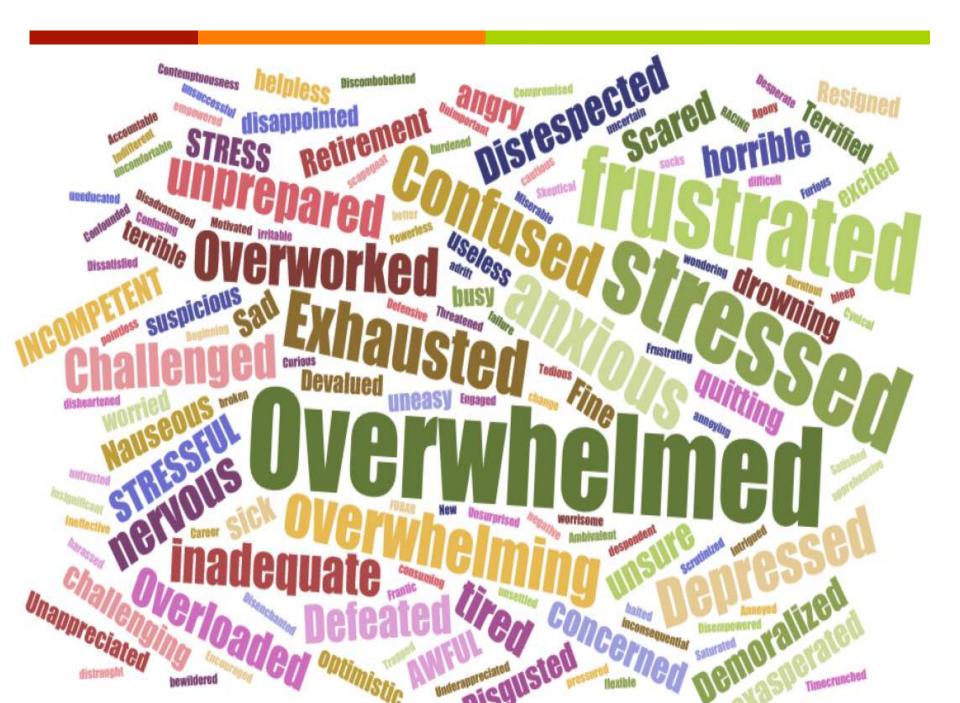
We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.

This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way...

We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker.

We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs.

We are prophets of a future not our own.



#### Redouble



- WACT DISNEP

Whatever you do, do it well. Do it so well that when people see you do it they will want to come back and see you do it again and they will want to bring others and show them how well you do what you do."

Walt Disney

## Tools



#### Covenant

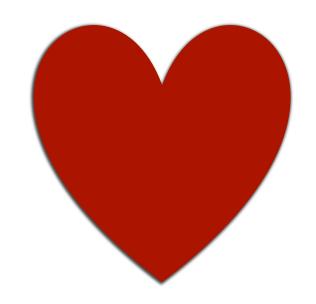


- What do I need from you?
- What do you need from me?
- How will we communicate?
- How will we evaluate?
- Will you trust me to prioritize my work?
- Will you communicate clearly your limitations?

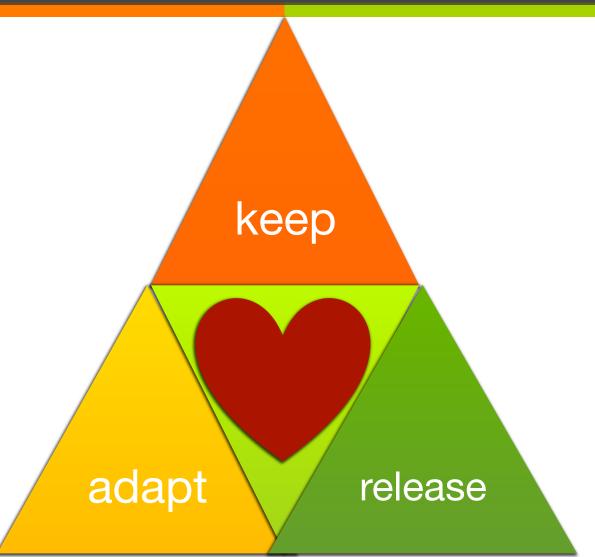
#### Realign

#### Purpose:

To bring the Love and Grace of our faith to your congregation, your community, and our world.



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### Community



ministries together.

Notes

## **Stories**



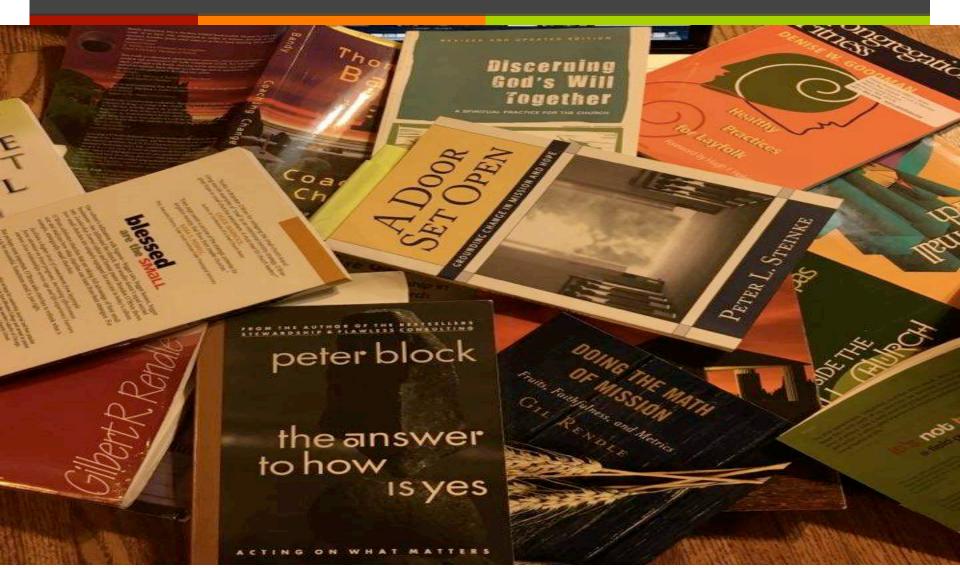
## Story



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#### Books!



#### Questions / comments





Take courage friends.
The way is often hard, the path is never clear, and the stakes are very high.
Take courage.
For deep down, there is another truth: you are not alone.

Rev. Wayne Arnason