

Senior Pastor Report - June 2026

Greetings Leadership Team!

Below are some highlights on my activities since our last meeting. As you'll see this was a month for hands-on ministry work. So while I do not really have any planning or visioning items to report, it has been wonderful working alongside the great people of Church of the Servant to be the hands and feet of Christ in real impactful ways this past month. As always, if you have any questions about these or other topics, feel free to let me know before we meet and I'll come prepared to answer.

Blessings,

Kyle

General Updates

Annual Conference: We'll discuss this more during a designated time in our meeting, but know that from my standpoint the Annual Conference held here at Church of the Servant from May 28th- 30th was a major success. Once again I want to express my appreciation to our staff, hospitality volunteers, amazing choir and praise team, Earthglow volunteers, media team, and so many others who helped make the event possible. I heard so many words of appreciation about the extravagant hospitality Church of the Servant demonstrated. I and a few of our staff will be meeting with representatives from the conference staff on Monday, June 22nd to debrief and I'll share any pertinent information with you at our meeting.

Vacation Bible School: VBS was held June 1st - 4th. We averaged around 170 kids each day and approximately 50 volunteers helped to make the event possible. This was a sizable increase in attendance over 2025 which saw around 90 children each day. Director of Family Ministries Chris Ward will continue to stay in contact with these families and update them as children's ministries, children's choir, and special events begin and take place in the fall. Once again, major appreciation to all the volunteers who gave of their time and donated supplies to make VBS possible.

Mission: There have also been a couple of mission opportunities offered by Church of the Servant this month that I participated in alongside our members. First was Project Transformation where, Monday through Thursday June 8th - 11th, Servant members volunteered a couple of hours a day to listen to school age children read. The goal of this ministry is increasing school age literacy by reducing reading degradation over the summer months. Our week was well supported by volunteers this year, so much so we are considering recruiting and spreading our volunteers over two weeks next summer.

Next I participated in the mission day at Skyline on Saturday, June 21st. Rev. Nathan Oney along with Kristia and Elliot were also in attendance on that day as he desired to take that opportunity to begin familiarizing himself with some of our missional outreach. The increasing response from the Servant congregation to these and other hands-on mission opportunities is

encouraging and demonstrates a strong desire for service as well as the joy that comes with spending time as a community of faith in service to one another.

Life Changing Prayer: Out of desire to not take the whole summer off but continue some of our discipleship and community building momentum we've been experiencing, I chose to offer a 4-week study on prayer during the month of June. Across two sessions on Wednesdays (one at 4 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m.) about 45 individuals participated. The topic was inspired by and used as a way to support the mission statement developed by our Leadership Team which states we believe in "prayer that changes lives." As I write this, one session remains following which I will talk with participants about interest in maintaining a 4 p.m. option when we resume our Wednesday Bible Studies in mid-August.

Sermons: A quick note that, I'm sure you noticed, this past month I involved Servant members in two of my sermons: one utilizing a group for an illustration and the second providing an opportunity for a family to share their faith journey. Let me know if you heard otherwise, but I found that both of these were well received. While this is not something I intend to do every week, I do hope to do more of this in the future. While inclusion of these elements can be time consuming and requires a fair amount of planning ahead, they bring diversity to the messages and allow the congregation to hear the Good News from the perspectives and lives of people other than the Pastor. If you know of individuals or families who have stories of faithfulness or experiences that could be encouraging or instructive for others to hear, please let me know and I'll keep them in mind during future sermon development.

May Statistics

In Person:	5/3: 329	5/10: 298	5/17: 361	5/24: 282	5/31: 342
					2026 Avg: 342
On-Line:	5/3: 334	5/10: 394	5/17: 286	5/24: 336	5/31: 270
					2026 Avg: 349