

# PASTOR'S NICKEL

## Guiding Principles



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At our Council meeting on Thursday night we endorsed 8 guiding principles for setting strategy for ministry in Covenant. At the upcoming congregational meeting we hope to have a conversation with you all about these principles and whether we have it right for what we do as Covenant church. We believe that by discerning the right principles we can set the right strategic goals for all of our ministries and review their goals based on these principles and our overall Mission "to be Christ's family transforming lives and culture." As pastors we will be taking time in the Nickel to reflect on these principles and how we see these as guiding the work we do as a church. **The intent of the upcoming Nickels is to help you begin to critically think about these guiding principles and prepare for a good conversation at the Congregational Meeting on May 30th.**

- We live out the Gospel as we trust in redemption through Jesus and participate in God's kingdom work and community
  - Our worship is engaging, participatory, and intentionally intergenerational
- Being missional means intentionally engaging with the broader culture with a focus on Christ's redemption and restoration
  - Our leadership structure and culture is capable, transparent, and highly participatory.
  - Our Faith formation / discipleship is strategic and developmentally appropriate.
- Families are active and treated as partners in the discipleship of children and teenagers.
  - We cultivate a sense of authentic community that emphasizes both peer and intergenerational relationships
- We place an emphasis on engaging in social justice and service in the local community and broader world.

*That's my nickel. Pastor Bob*