

Key Narratives

POTENTIAL NARRATIVES

- We ~~glorify the Lord~~ through our worship, administration of the sacraments, and commitment to prayer.
Central is not this 'formal' in terms of religious presentation.
- We ~~embrace the gospel~~ by teaching God's word faithfully and thoughtfully with ALL others.
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- We put our **faith into action** by nurturing spiritual growth and reflecting the call of God to serve our neighbor.
- We **transform our communities** by promoting social justice and engaging others in ministries of **mercy** service.
- (NEW) We **invite everyone** to the table, sharing fellowship, worship, meals and music as one body.
- We ~~move unafraid~~ down the path called to us by God, evolving as our communities do.
No direct comment, did not resonate.
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ELEVATOR NARRATIVE

- What do you say to a visitor on Justice Choir Sunday?
- What do you say to a 30 year old at a summer concert series in Mears park?
- What do you say to a new family at a school function where you are watching your child?
- What do you say to an elderly black woman in the grocery store checkout?

Answers:

- Central is a caring community of people, looking out for the common good and justice. (We just so happen to be a Christian church. ^(AG))
- Central is an open and inclusive community of people from all walks of life (by the ideas listed above). ^(AS)
- Central is committed to social justice and uses music as a way for others to participate. ^(JA)
- Children and families of all shapes and sizes are nurtured at Central. ^(JA)
- Central is a caring community that has a deep tradition of being the city for good. ^(JA)
- We are a church that puts our faith into action and there are opportunities to serve and work for justice. ^(MS)
- We have a strong commitment to families. ^(MS)
- We are a church that cares about people and are committed to working together for justice. ^(MS)
- We are intentionally intergenerational, diverse socioeconomically. ^(DC)