

# AUGUST NEWSLETTER



## BOARD UPDATE

On August 18, the board met for its regularly scheduled meeting. We opened with a devotion and split into groups for prayer. We continue to review the principles of Policy Governance, and this month we reviewed Principle 1: Represent Christ Above All! [Click here to watch the video.](#)

Each month the board reviews one of the five ends that we have as a church which include: Worship, Discipleship, Missional Engagement, Multiplication, and Healthy Culture. This month we reviewed the end of Healthy Culture which reads: *Centerpoint Church will invest our personal comfort, vulnerability, courage, time, and authenticity in order to grow in spiritual maturity and the Fruits of the Spirit. As a result, the spiritual culture within our communities will become more healthy.* Time was spent discussing the culture of our staff as well as our congregation. Overall, it was a positive assessment of both the staff and the congregation.

As a reminder, our church uses Policy Governance as our method of governance. The board is made up of the lead pastor (Jamie Dykstra), and six elders elected from our covenant partners (Brad Den Herder, Eric Heitbrink, Mark Sneller, TJ Speer, Jack Woelber, and Jill Zwart). Annually, we elect board members to certain offices. This year, Mark Sneller was elected Vice President, TJ Speer as Treasurer, and Jack Woelber as Chief Governance Officer. The lead pastor serves as the President of the board.

We spent some time this month discussing the process the board uses in hearing and discerning the voice of the Spirit through the congregation and Covenant Partners in order to get insight from the broader Church to set the long-term vision and direction of Centerpoint. In the past, one of the ways we did this was to hold Covenant Partner meetings using our values as a focus to structure the conversation. During this meeting we thought about other creative ways we can use to that end. No formal decision was made, but we are pursuing some other options.

# FINANCIAL UPDATE



We are currently  
**34%** behind in giving.

## STAFF UPDATE



Join us in thanking Ashley Docherty for her time as our Ministries Assistant as she pursues a different job opportunity at a local business. We are excited for Ashley as she moves on to make Christ known in a different workplace. When you see her around the church, please be sure to thank her for her time at Centerpoint.

If you are interested in becoming our next Ministries Assistant, or know of someone who would be a good fit for this position, please contact the office.



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# SUMMER FUN

## COLOR WARS CAPTURE THE FLAG



## POWER CONNECTION

Our middle schoolers were able to uncover the secret to experiencing true life and joy. This true life and joy happens when we “hold on tight to Jesus” in everything we do in life. Holding on tight to Jesus invites us to a close relationship with Him, fellowship with a community of believers, and the challenge to be others-centered. Highlights of our week included serving in various locations in the Minneapolis/ St. Paul area, riding rollercoasters at ValleyFair, and engaging with great worship and speakers!



# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

The beginning of the ministry year is a great time to get involved in serving here at Centerpoint Church. Our volunteers are a crucial part of making our ministry happen, and we have opportunities for every skillset, personality, and schedule. If you are interested in serving, check out all of the opportunities [on our website](#).

Below is a list of our kids and students ministry leaders' biggest needs for this year. If you feel like you are a good fit for any of these volunteer positions, our ministry leaders would love to hear from you and help you get involved in what the Lord is doing through these programs!



## AWANA (WEDNESDAY NIGHT: SIOUX CENTER)

**Large Group Leader:** You prepare and deliver age-appropriate biblical lessons to the entire club during Large Group Time. These lessons impact the children's spiritual lives as they hear God's Word and the gospel message.

**Small Group Leader:** You are paired with a group of 3-5 kids that you will be with the entire night! You will help and support them as they memorize Scripture during small group time, sit with them during Large Group time, and engage with them during games/worship/fun time. You are there to disciple and build relationships with your group!

**Game Leader:** You plan exciting team games and encourage an atmosphere of healthy competition, good sportsmanship, and teamwork. You exhibit enthusiasm and a positive 'let's have fun' attitude!

**Contact Sally TeStroete ([sally@wearecenterpoint.com](mailto:sally@wearecenterpoint.com)) to get involved!**

## CENTERPOINT KIDS (SUNDAY MORNING)

**Large Group Leader:** You are passionate about leading a group of 5-15 kids closer to Jesus. You are excited to engage with the lessons, crafts, and activities prepared for you by the Director of Children's Ministries, and you are willing to prepare by reading the lesson ahead of time so you are ready to lead the lesson and engage students in activities that reinforce the Bible story that week.



# OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

## CENTERPOINT KIDS (SUNDAY MORNING)

**Small Group Leader:** You are passionate about leading a group of 5-7 kids closer to Jesus and are excited to dive into relationships with these kids. Your preparation involves reading through the lesson during the week to become familiar with the activities and discussions that will happen in a small group setting.

**Infant & Toddler Care:** You are passionate about caring for the littlest members of our congregation. You're excited to show up on Sunday morning ready to play and have fun with our babies and toddlers!

**Contact Sally TeStroete ([sally@wearecenterpoint.com](mailto:sally@wearecenterpoint.com)) or Morgan State ([morgan@wearecenterpoint.com](mailto:morgan@wearecenterpoint.com)) to get involved!**



## KIDZONE (TUESDAY & THURSDAY AFTERNOON)

We're always looking for volunteers to help make Kidzone even more special. You can join us weekly, monthly, or whenever it fits your schedule—we're flexible and grateful for any time you can give. Whether it's serving snacks, crafting with perler beads, playing board games, reading stories, or simply listening to a child share about their day, your presence makes a difference!

**Contact Amy Zebroski ([amy@wearecenterpoint.com](mailto:amy@wearecenterpoint.com)) to get involved!**



## CENTERPOINT STUDENTS

**High School Group Leaders:** Sunday Morning in Sioux Center (2-4 people needed)

**Middle School Youth Group Sponsors:** Wednesday evenings in Sioux Center (2-3 people needed)

**Middle and High School Youth Group Sponsors:** Sunday evening in Hawarden (2-3 people needed)

**Contact Ytsje Vandermeer ([ytsje@wearecenterpoint.com](mailto:ytsje@wearecenterpoint.com)) to get involved!**

# LOOKING AHEAD



## FALL KICKOFF

Join us Sunday, September 7th at our Sioux Center Campus for a connect service, free food trucks, fun, and fellowship! Keep an eye out for opportunities to serve at this event. We are excited to gather to celebrate all that the Lord is doing!

## PROGRAM KICKOFFS

We are looking forward to the beginning of our ministry year! Make sure that you have registered your kids for Awana, Kidzone, and Centerpoint Students ([register here](#)), and watch your email for more information on kickoffs!

### Centerpoint Students Kickoffs:

**Sioux Center High School:** September 3

**Sioux Center Middle School:** September 10

**Hawarden Students:** September 14

### Kidzone Kickoff:

**First Day of Kidzone:** September 2

### Centerpoint Kids Kickoffs:

**First Day of Kid's Ministry:** September 14

**First Day of Awana:** September 17



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