

The VCI Express

A bi monthly update on what is happening with the Vital Church Initiative at Nardin Park Church



December 14th, 2018 HEADLINE

Nardin Park Church
awarded a \$30,000
grant to help fund new
part time
communications
specialist staff position!

What has happened in last few weeks?

- **Marketing Team** received word from The United Methodist Union of Greater Detroit that Nardin Park has been awarded a \$30,000 grant to help fund the new part time communications specialist staff position. This is a sun setting grant where 75% of the salary for this new position will be funded by the grant in 2019, 50% funded by the grant in 2020 and 25% funded by the grant in 2021. The Marketing team in conjunction with Staff Parish has posted the communications job and will begin interviews in January 2019. We CELEBRATE this huge blessing from God!
- **Worship Task Force Team** met with Rev. Jon Reynolds to discuss Mission Insite Demographics and learn from Jon's experience in successfully launching a new worship service at Rochester St. Paul's UMC. Team members will visit that service on January 27th
- The **Governance Team** is beginning the ministry audit and developing the curriculum for a workshop for church leaders on accountable leadership on January 30th, 2019

What is coming up next?

- **Facilities team** continues to finalize plans for the restroom renovations, and dedicated spaces for memorials and church history.
- **Worship Task Force** to host Cathy Townley, worship design coach January 12-13th, 2019
- **Next Town Hall Meeting** will be on Sunday February 10th following worship. Lunch and childcare provided. Plan to attend, no pre sign up needed

A Nugget of Wisdom for Growing Churches

Growing churches win on purpose. They do this because they organize their congregation to effectively accomplish their mission. When we aim at nothing in particular, we hit it. When we in the church are clear about our mission and purpose we can accomplish it because we know where we are going, we aim for that target and we focus on accomplishing a particular outcome. This is called Winning on purpose and is known as accountable leadership.