



# WII Latest Updates

*As of February 22, 2021*

## What's New

The Woodlake Innovations Implementation Team continued to make some great progress in January towards our goals. Here are some of the teams' achievements.

### We've expanded our focus on volunteer process improvements!

In January, the WII Team determined that the scope of the volunteer process redesign should be broader than the initial focus on worship and established a separate innovation focused on a comprehensive **Volunteer Process Redesign**.

A new team has been formed and is dedicated to the creation of processes to recruit, engage, equip and retain volunteers in the ministries and missions throughout the church and beyond. Our goal is to launch the redesigned volunteer program this summer in conjunction with the new Signature Mission and our planned return to in-person worship.

### Signature Mission Update

In December, the WII Mission Design Team presented recommendations for our new Signature Mission to the Church Leadership Council and those recommendations were approved. Since then, the WII Mission Design Team has been completing its work by transitioning the planning and rollout of our new Signature Mission to our ongoing Mission Team, led by Doug and Viv Lees. Our heartfelt thanks to all the members of the WII Mission Design Team for all their hard work!

An outgrowth of the work related to our Signature Mission was an identified need to establish an overarching Serve Executive Committee that has oversight over all our serve programs and opportunities. This new committee was approved by the Church Leadership Council in December. This committee will focus on updating our relationships with our mission partners and ensuring that we maintain our focus in missions. The ongoing Mission Team develops and coordinates our mission projects.

The Serve Executive Committee and Mission Team are beginning their work to build relationships with our new mission partners and develop specific mission opportunities.



A communication rollout for our Signature Mission and serve opportunities is planned to begin in May 2021 with a program launch in conjunction with Roof Digging Week in August 2021.

### **WII Innovation Website Updates!**

The WII Innovation web pages have been updated to include information and a new page for our Volunteer Process Redesign Innovation. The new page includes information about project goals and implementation steps, and an innovation-specific dashboard.

We have added the original Next Level Innovation Report to the website. The report is available on the WII Innovation homepage.

We have also updated the following documents (available from the WII Innovation homepage):

- [WII Overview](#)
- [WII FAQs](#)
- [Milestones and Achievements](#)
- [Contact List](#)

### **In Closing**

We hope that you will visit the Innovations web pages each month. The work the Teams are doing represents important changes that will be impactful to Woodlake United Methodist Church in the future. It's important for you to stay informed during this season of change in our church.