Digital Ministry

Liscensing School 2022

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Roadmap



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BASICS: WHY



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GRAPHIC DESIGN



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EMAIL

It's A LOT!



WHY
DOES
THIS
MATTER?

IT'S 2022!!!!







There are

hours in EVERY week!

Typically only

is spent in worship.





How are you spending the other 167?





Platforms







Who is your audience?

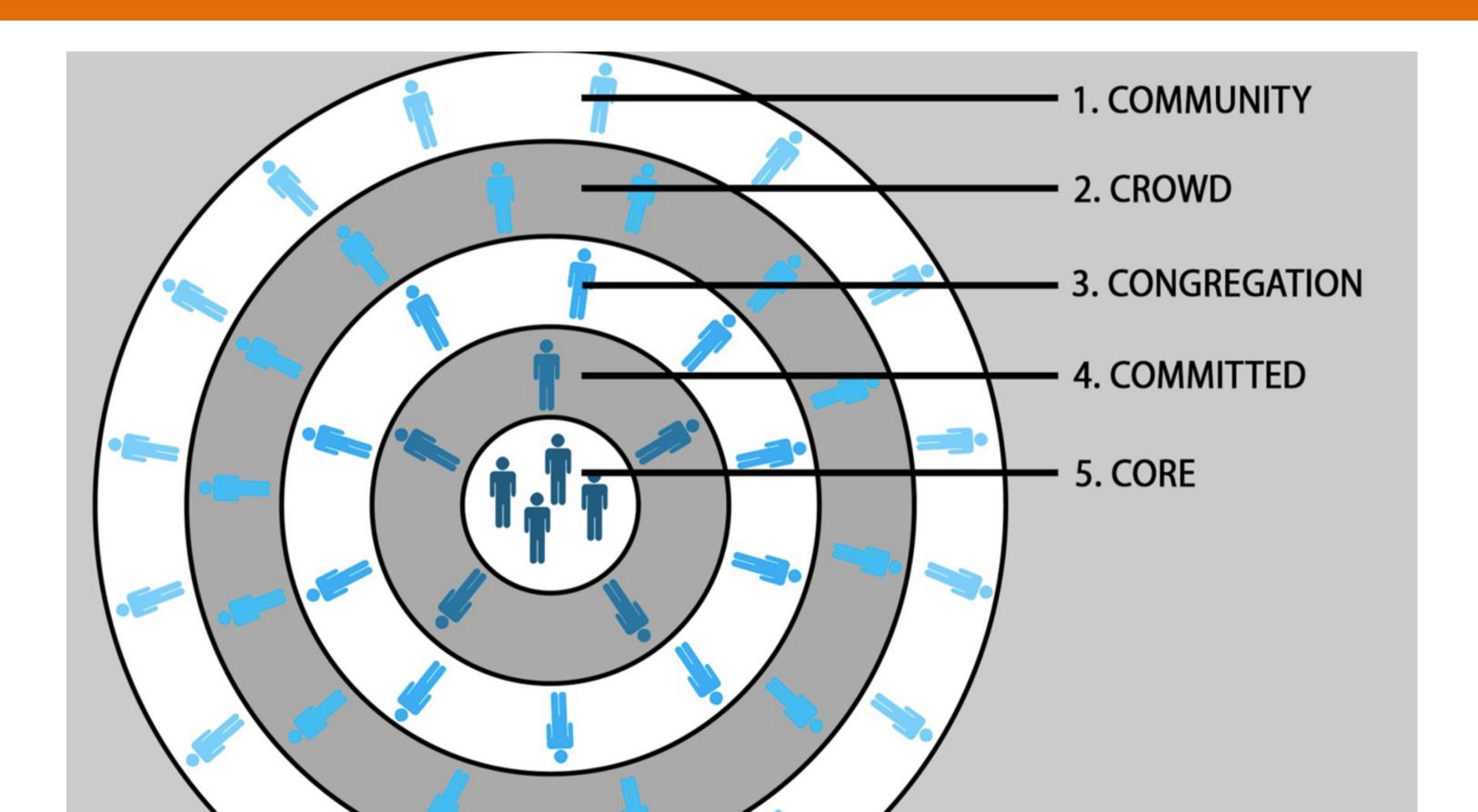
Inside the church

New to church

Community member(unfamiliar with church)



Who is your audience?





Where do we start?

- One piece of content-- multiple uses, forms, audiences
- Start with the website
 - Everything one needs to know should be there, in one place
- Parcel out the pieces as needed based on use/form/audience





Why?

YOUR CHURCH WEBSITE

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- The place for information about what is coming up
- The place to seek and find information ABOUT your church
- A place with infinite space

YOUR SOCIAL MEDIA

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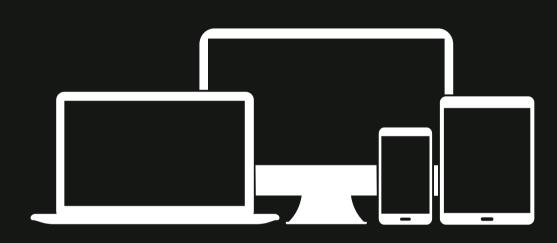


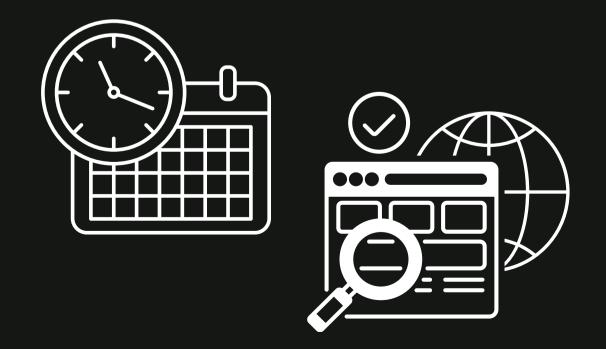
Why?

Up to 80% of people looking for a new church home begin their search online. Your website matters as much (if not more) than your church exterior.



Back to Basics





- Is your website mobile-friendly?
- Is your website (in its current form/design) less than 1-year-old?
 - 3 years old?
 - 5 years old?

 Do you know what platform your site was built on and who your host provider is?



WHAT MATTERS MOST ON YOUR WEBSITE



94% of people mistrust or reject websites because of poor web design.4



7–8 seconds are all that your church website has to impress visitors.5



30% of people abandon websites that take over 6–10 seconds to load.





The Guest Needs:

- Service times
- Address of the church
- What to expect
- Place to ask questions
- Sample sermon
- REALness
- Beliefs/Leadership
- Directions/Map/Etc.



The Church Attender Needs:

- Calendar
- Ways to Sign Up
- Additional
 Information/Details
- Stories and Celebrations



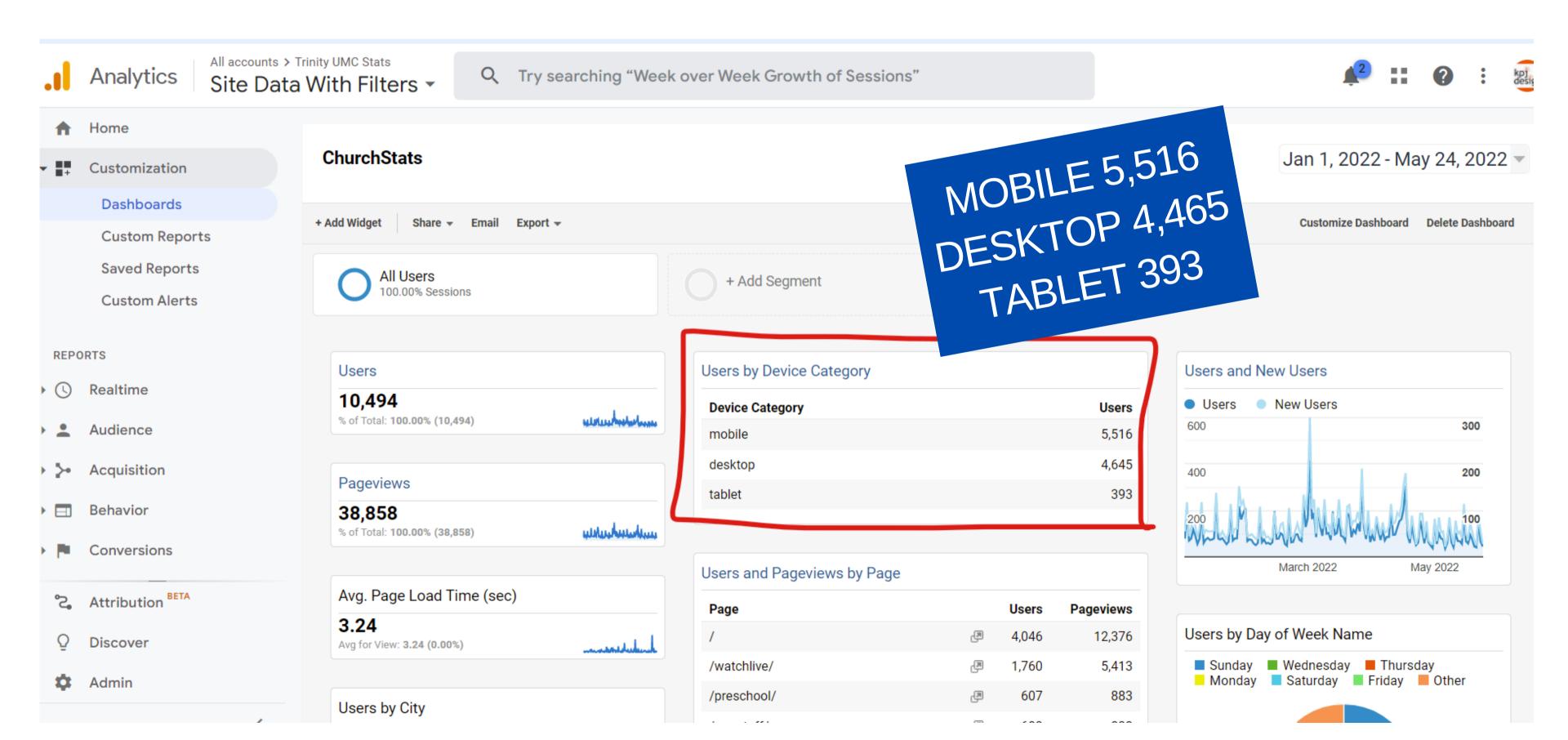
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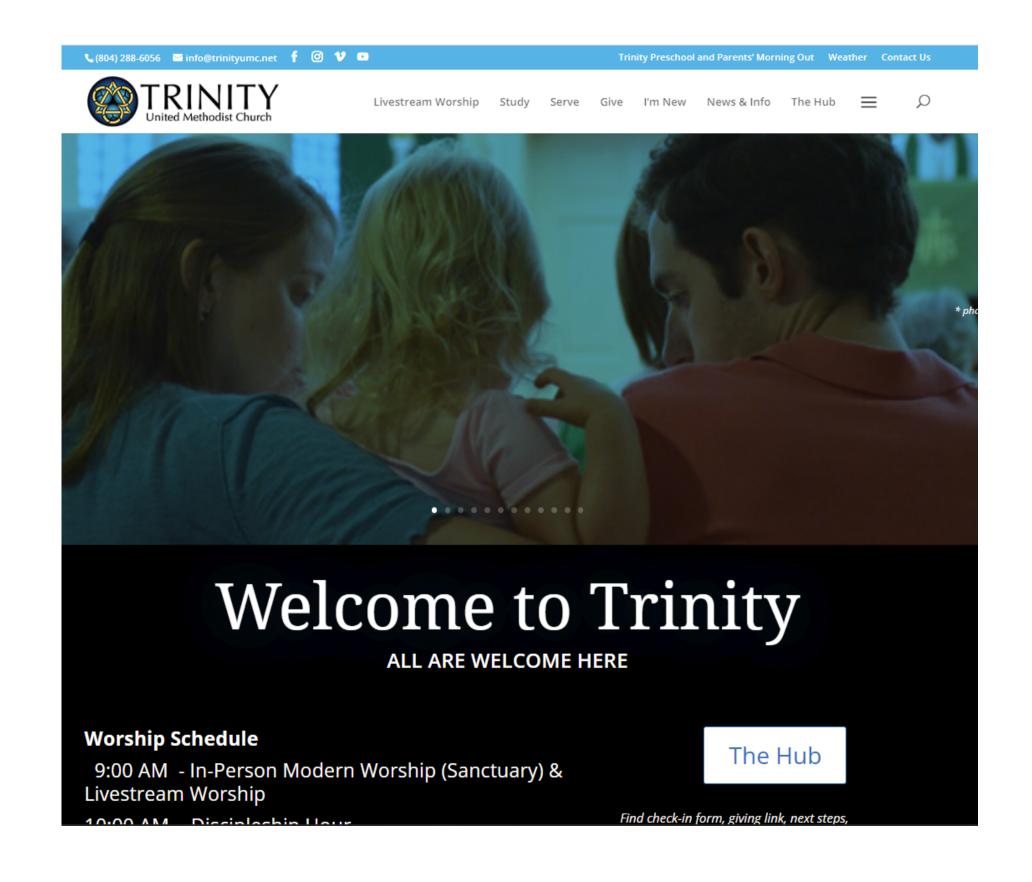
 It's 2022. MOST people who visit your website are visiting via their PHONE!

Is your site built phone-first?



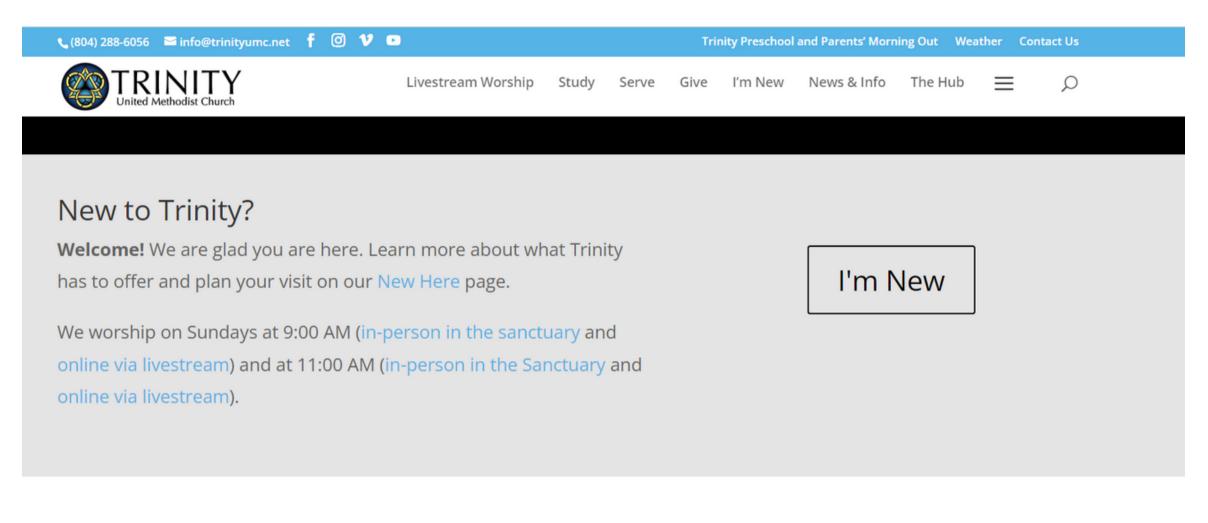








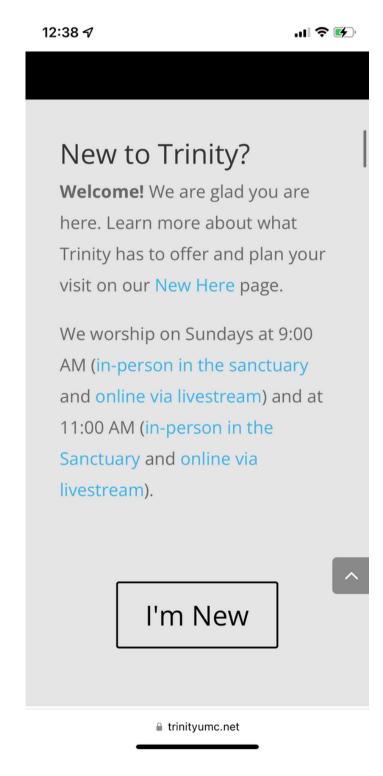




Our Ministry Continues

Trinity has been part of the West End community in Richmond since 1790. We are a dynamic family of faith focused on Jesus Christ and engaging in our community in a variety of ways.

Right now things look different, but our ministry continues. In uncertain times like this our faith is certain.







Website Contents

Home Page

Bi-District Initiative

Bi-District Training 2022

COVID 19 Resources

Latest News

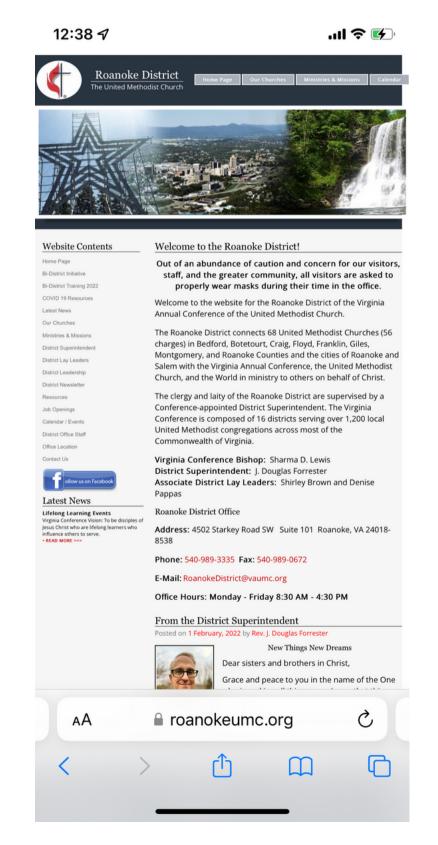
Our Churches

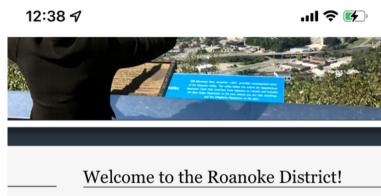
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Out of an abundance of caution and concern for our visitors, staff, and the greater community, all visitors are asked to properly wear masks during their time in the office.

Welcome to the website for the Roanoke District of the Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The Roanoke District connects 68 United Methodist Churches (56 charges) in Bedford, Botetourt, Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Giles, Montgomery, and Roanoke Counties and the cities of Roanoke and Salem with the Virginia Annual Conference, the United Methodist Church, and the World in ministry to others on behalf of Christ





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Virginia Conference Bishop: Sharma D. Lev District Superintendent: J. Douglas Forreste Associate District Lay Leaders: Shirley Brov Pappas

Roanoke District Office

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ROANOKE/STAUNTON BI-DISTRICT

The United Methodist Church Virginia Conference

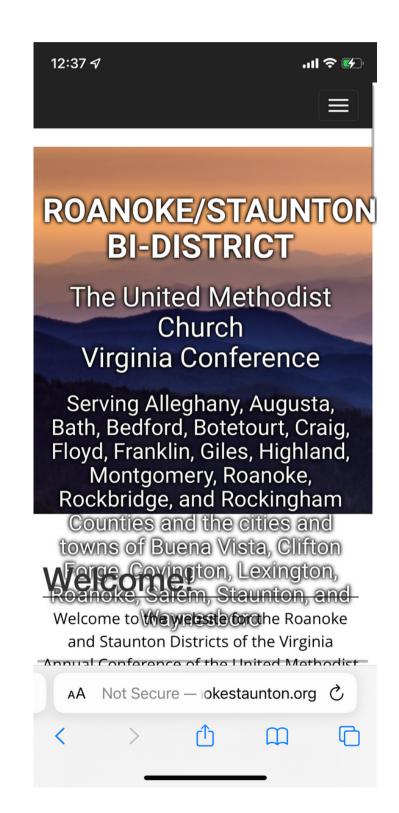
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Home Page Our Churches Calendar Bi-District Initiative District Office Staff District Lay Leaders

Welcome!

Welcome to the website for the Roanoke and Staunton Districts of the Virginia Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The Roanoke and Staunton Districts connect members (19,311 in the Roanoke District and 11,626 in the Staunton District) of 144 United Methodist Churches (67 in Roanoke and 77 in Staunton) in Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Bedford, Botetourt, Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Giles, Highland, Montgomery, Roanoke, Rockbridge and Rockingham Counties and the cities and towns of Buena Vista, Clifton Forge, Covington, Lexington, Roanoke, Salem, Staunton, and Waynesboro with the Virginia Annual Conference, the United Methodist Church, and the World in ministry to others on behalf of Christ.





Phone First



Step 1: Test it!

Use your own device

OR use an internet tool!

• search.google.com/test/mobile-friendly



HOW?



Step 1: DO YOUR HOMEWORK!



You wouldn't buy a new church van without LOTS of homework-- this should be no different.



Pros/Cons



A) Made by a volunteer for free on whatever platform they like best

PROS

• FREE

Can offer a ministry opportunity

CONS

- Site is tied to that person and his/her knowledge and TIME
- Can lead to less control over the site
- If that person
 moves/leaves/gets
 mad/etc. you can lose
 access to your site
- There can be big feelings involved



Pros/Cons



B) Using a Website Builder and CMS (Content Management System)

PROS

- Easy to use
- Usually mobileready/friendly
- Reasonably priced
- Give you some control over look/feel
- Can have multiple users update content
- Someone to call when something breaks

CONS

- Can get expensive depending on what the church is looking for/because of hidden costs
- Don't have total control over the site-must work within CMS constraints
- Some CMS companies have better support/troubleshooting options than others



Pros/Cons



C) Hire a Web Designer

PROS

- Full control over your site design-can make it look however you want it.
- Knowledge that comes with/from a professional designer

CONS

- Price can be prohibitive
- Can be responsible for maintenance and upkeep after site launch



How Much Does it Cost?



On average, you can expect to pay an upfront cost of around \$200 to build a website, with an ongoing cost of around \$50 per month to maintain it.

This estimate is higher if you hire a designer or developer – expect an upfront charge of around \$6,000, with an ongoing cost of \$1,000 per year.



What am I paying for?



Website Feature	Upfront Website Cost
Website Domain	\$12-\$60
Website Hosting	\$35-\$600
SSL Certificate	\$0-\$200
Website Template/Theme	\$0-\$200
Ecommerce Functionality	\$20-\$24,000
Website Content	\$0-\$5000
Add Ons/Integrations	\$0-\$100
SEO and Marketing	\$0-\$90



Where do I start?

Note- this list is alphabetical--some I like better than others--do your homework!

Church Co.	thechurchco.com
Church Dev	churchdev.com
Clover	cloversites.com
Ekklesia360	ekklesia360.com
Gator	hostgator.com/website-builder
Ministry Designs	ministrydesigns.com
Outreach Websites	digital.outreach.com
Sharefaith	sharefaith.com
Squarespace	squarespace.com
UMCom	umcom.org/services-products/web-services
Weebly	weebly.com
Wix	wix.com

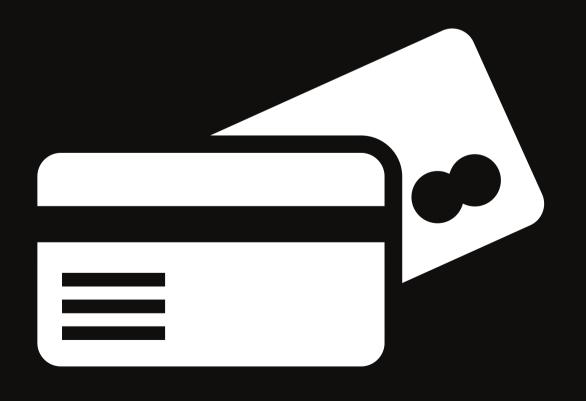


Extras

- Online Giving
- Sermons/Podcasts
- Statistics
- The Hub
- Telling Your Story



Online Giving



- In 2022 ALL websites should have an EXTERNAL online giving option
- Give to specific departments/causes
- Set up recurring giving
- Give anytime or anywhere without cash or check
- Special offerings
- Give when not able to attend worship (weather, sick, etc.)
- Event registration



Online Giving



Questions to ask:

- Is your church ready?
- How can you get them ready?
- Is your financial team ready?

How to connect to online giving

- VAUMC works with VANCO to walk you through it!
- Easy!
- How to let your church know about online giving



Sermons



Questions to Ask

- Audio or Video?
- Who will record the service?
- How will you record the service?
- Will you just be putting the sermon online?
- Who will edit the files?
- Where will you store the files?
- Do you have proper copyright?

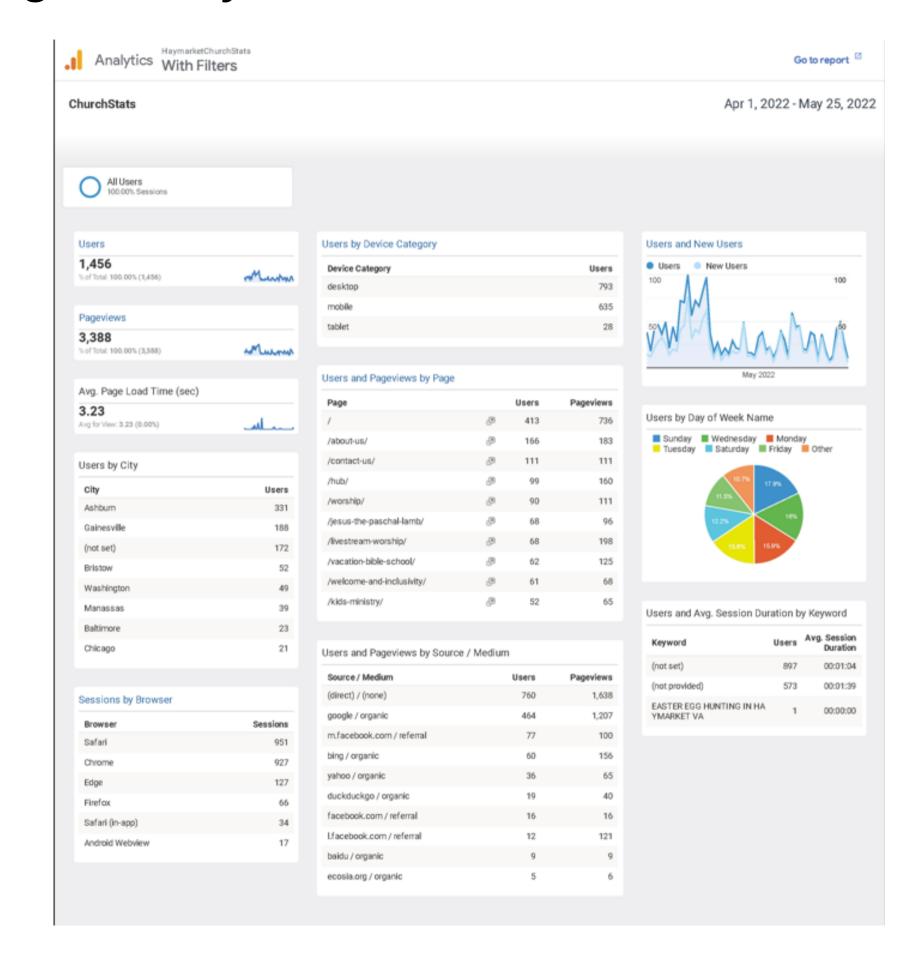
Livestream vs Recording/Storage



Statistics



Google Analytics is FREE





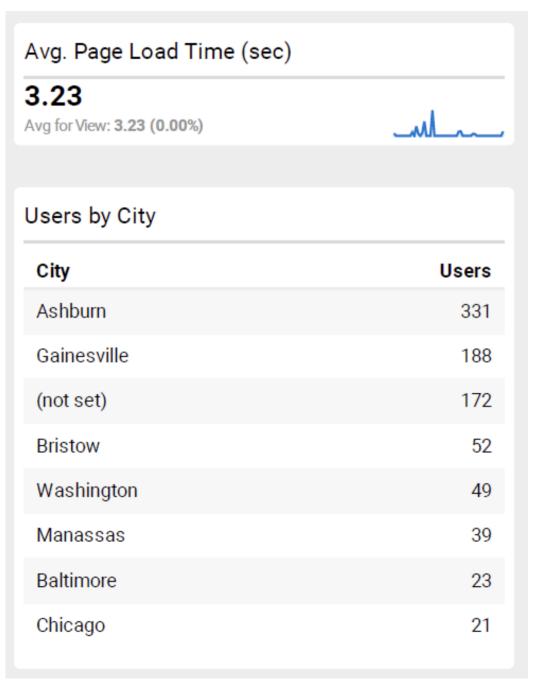
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April 1-May 24 haymarketchurch.org



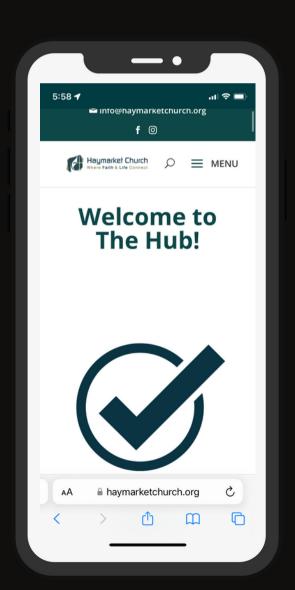
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bing / organic	60	156	
yahoo / organic	36	65	
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facebook.com / referral	16	16	
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baidu / organic	9	9	
ecosia.org / organic	5	6	

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/contact-us/	P	111	111
/hub/	æ	99	160
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/livestream-worship/	P	68	198
/vacation-bible-school/	P	62	125
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/kids-ministry/	æ	52	65





The Hub









Welcome to The Hub!









Check In



Give



News & Events





Sunday Morning Worship				
We are so glad you have chosen to worship with Haymarker Church today! Please register your attendance below!				
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Email *				
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Telling Our Stories



Your Website Should Tell Your Story!

- We do a good job of ASKING for people to DO things.
- We don't do a great job of celebrating the good things people are doing.
- A website provides the opportunity to collect and tell those stories
- This can be through videos, photos, articles, podcasts, etc.
- These things can be connected to social media and shared.



Telling Our Stories



Home Who We Are - Worship - Ministries - Events - News & Info Give



Trinity in Ministry

Welcome to our Trinity in Ministry page where we highlight and celebrate some of Trinity's great ministries, events, and opportunities. Browse our Trinity in Ministry posts below and see some of the cool

Do you have a ministry that you'd like celebrated? Simply fill out the form (at right or below on mobile devices) and let us know.

Trinity In Ministry



Tell us about your ministry! Answer a few simple questions, upload some photos directly from your phone or camera and be featured in our weekly e-mail and our Trinity in Ministry area. (View this form in full page format here.)

Name *



A Day Away

Twenty-four persons enjoyed a trip to Monticello with Trinity's Young at Heart group on Thursday,..



A Note of Thanks

Trinity received this thank you note from our friends at the Muslim Community Center





The Pumpkins are Here!

It was a beautiful morning on Saturday to unload a tractortrailer full of pumpkins! Many...



School Kits for UMCOR

One way UMCOR (United



Ministry Name *

When did this ministry project take place? *

Where did this ministry event take place? *

How Many Involved? *

What did you do during this Rease briefly describe your activities during



Who did you serve during this Rease briefly describe who you served.



Twenty-four persons enjoyed a trip to Monticello with Trinity's Young at Heart group on Thursday, October 12. Although it was an overcast day with on and off sprinkles, a wonderful time was had by all! We came away with a greater admiration of Mr. Jefferson - the person he was, the inventions he crafted, and the amazing leader he was of our young country. What an intelligent man. We weren't able to take pictures inside the house. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all at the café on the premises, and a quick stop at Carter's Mountain Orchard completed the fun-filled day. Young at Heart's next program will be on Thursday, November 14 with Dr. Jerre Johnson presenting a program on the geology of Virginia. Come and bring a friendl







http://trinityumc.net/trinity-in-ministry/



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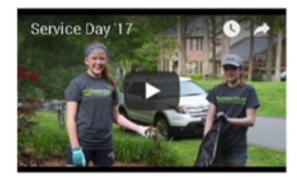
What's Happened?

Check out some of the great events that have happened previously at Haymarket Church!

Like what you see here? Be a part of all that is happening at Haymarket Church and in our community, Sign up for Haymarket Church emails to receive information about our events and opportunities. Be sure to check out our **Calendar** for event dates and times.

Other questions? Email info@haymarketchurch.org or visit our Contact Us page. We'd love to hear from yout

Videos













Livestreaming

Just because
you can doesn't
mean you
should!

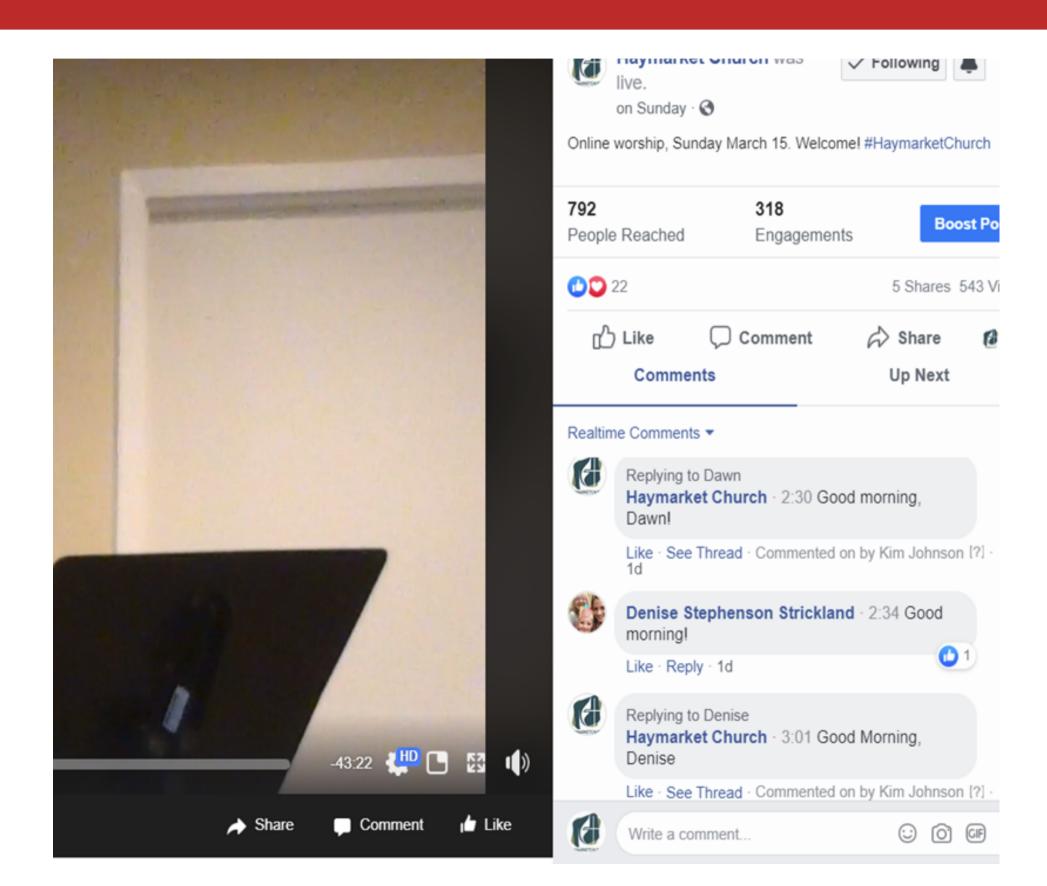




Engagement Matters

We wouldn't want a visitor to our sanctuary to not be welcomed—your livestream folks should be welcomed.

This requires a moderator or host.





Host Duties

- Welcome folks
- Comment/like/say hello to all who participate
- Ask folks to register attendance
- Ask if there are prayer concerns or requests
- Post prayers or words if not on screen
- Post link to online bulletin
- Post other links as needed
 - o announcements, etc.
- Post online giving link.
- BE HUMAN
- Apologize for/address any tech issues
- Offer a goodbye at the end of the service



Copyright Cautions

Before you jump right into livestreaming worship, you MUST be sure that you have the proper copyrights in place. A license for streaming is different from a standard CCLI license.

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Social Media











How does it work?

It's SOCIAL







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Why?

THAT'S WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE!

- People are connected to their phones and devices All the time.
- They are on social media.
- You should be too!

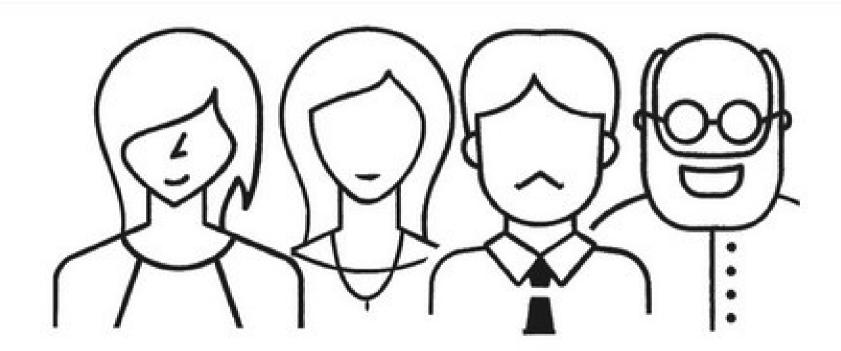
OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE

- Connect
- Have conversations.
- ALL WEEK LONG!
- Be more than just 'a place to go for an hour on Sunday'



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Social media users by generation



84%

81%

73%

45%

aged 18-29 30-49

50-64

65 and above

(Pew Research Center, 2021)



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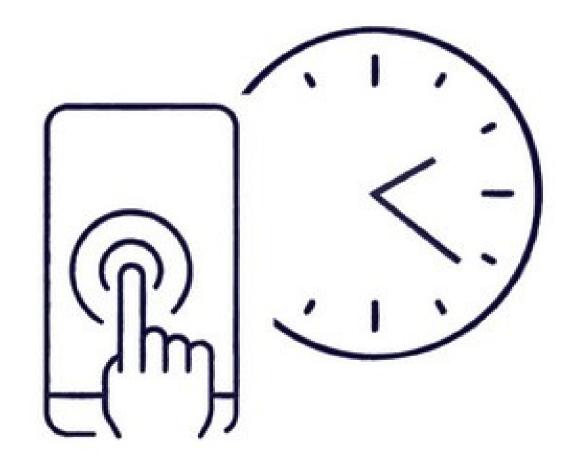
Time spent on social media per day

An average of

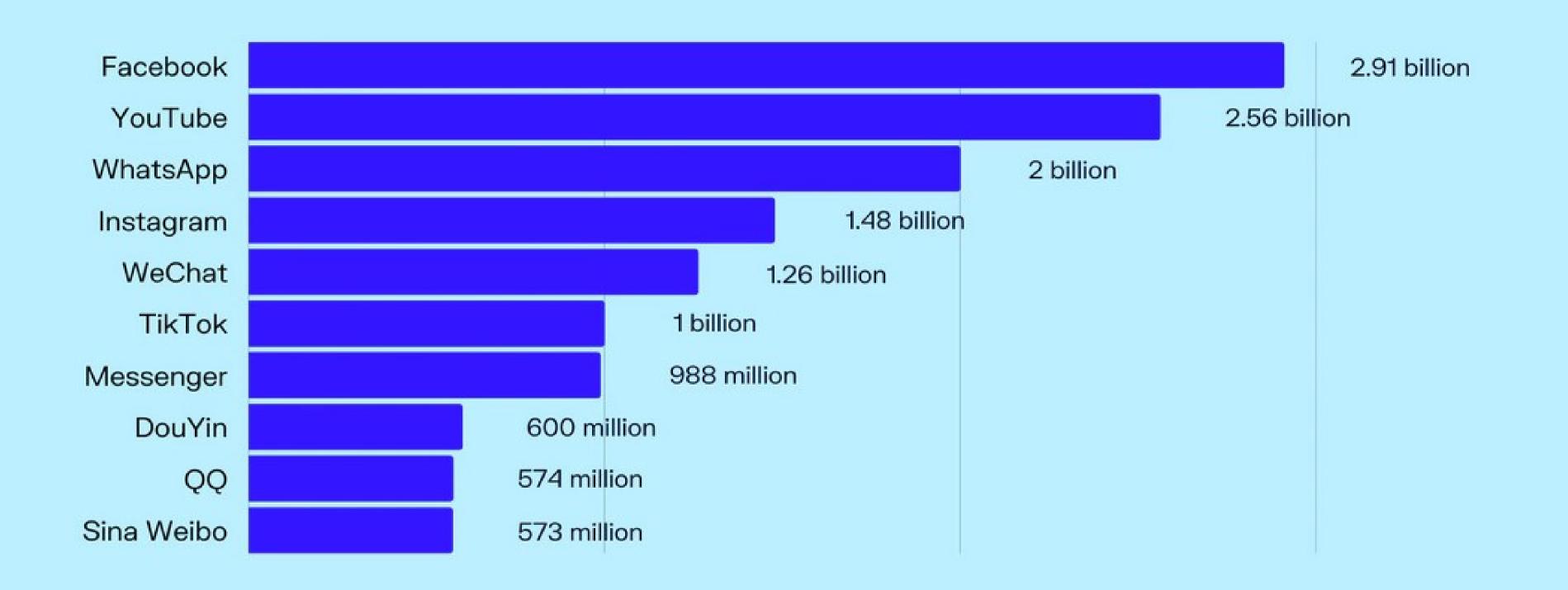
2.5 HOURS

per day is spent on social networks and messaging.

(DataReportal, 2021)



Most Popular Social Media Platforms in 2022







How Many Americans Use Facebook? Over six out of ten, 63% of the U.S. population aged 12+ say they use Facebook.

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Average Time Spent on Facebook



Users spend an average of

19.5 HOURS

on the Facebook app each month.

(DataReportal, 2021)

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Facebook Users
Choose Mobile over Desktop

(Edison Research and Triton Digital,

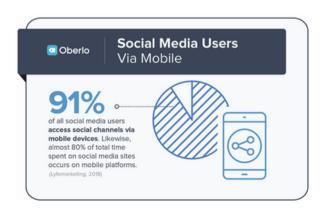
2020)

98.3%

of Facebook users access the social media app via their mobile phones.

(DataReportal, 2021)







The Basics

STEP 1

- Does your church have a Facebook PAGE?
 - o If not, then make one!
 - (facebook.com)

STEP 1B

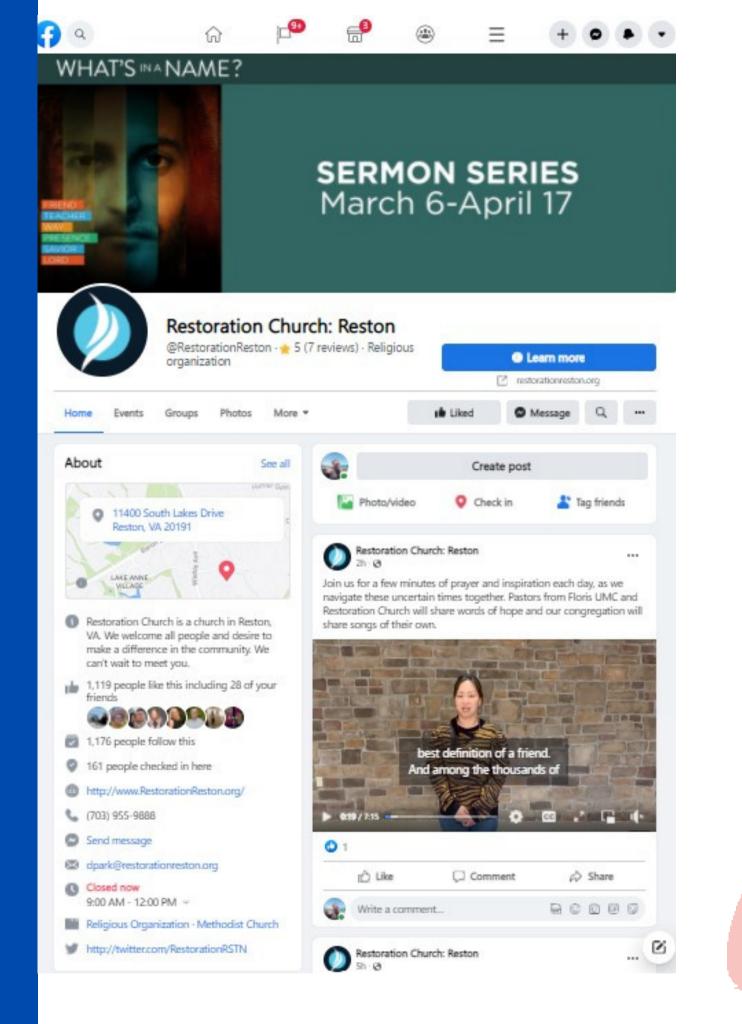
- Do you have a Facebook account?
 - Someone will need one.

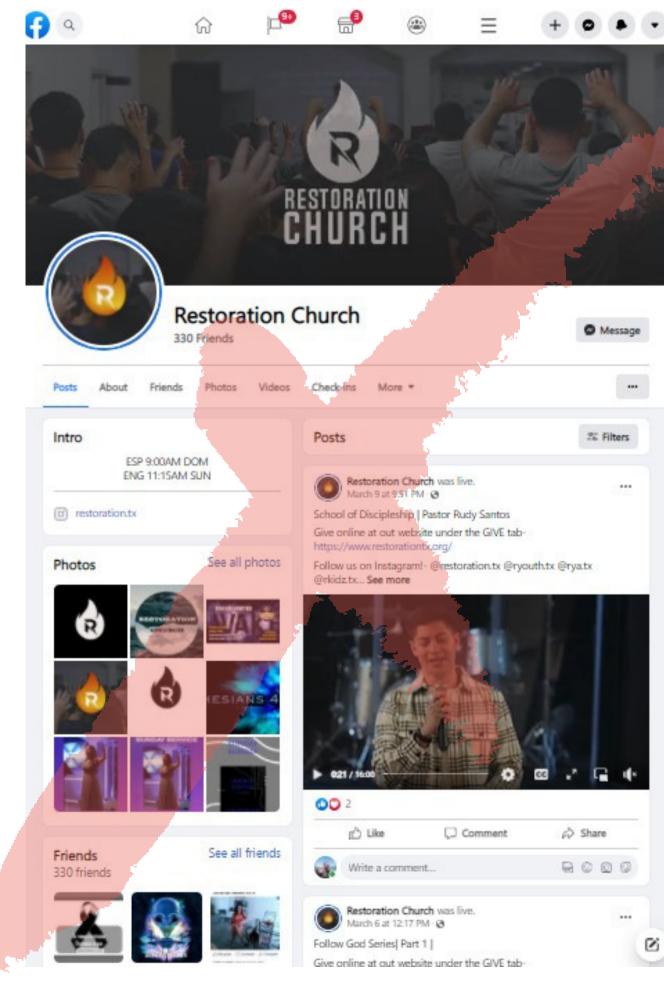
STEP 2

- Is your Facebook page a PAGE? or a PERSON?
 - this is important!



The Basics

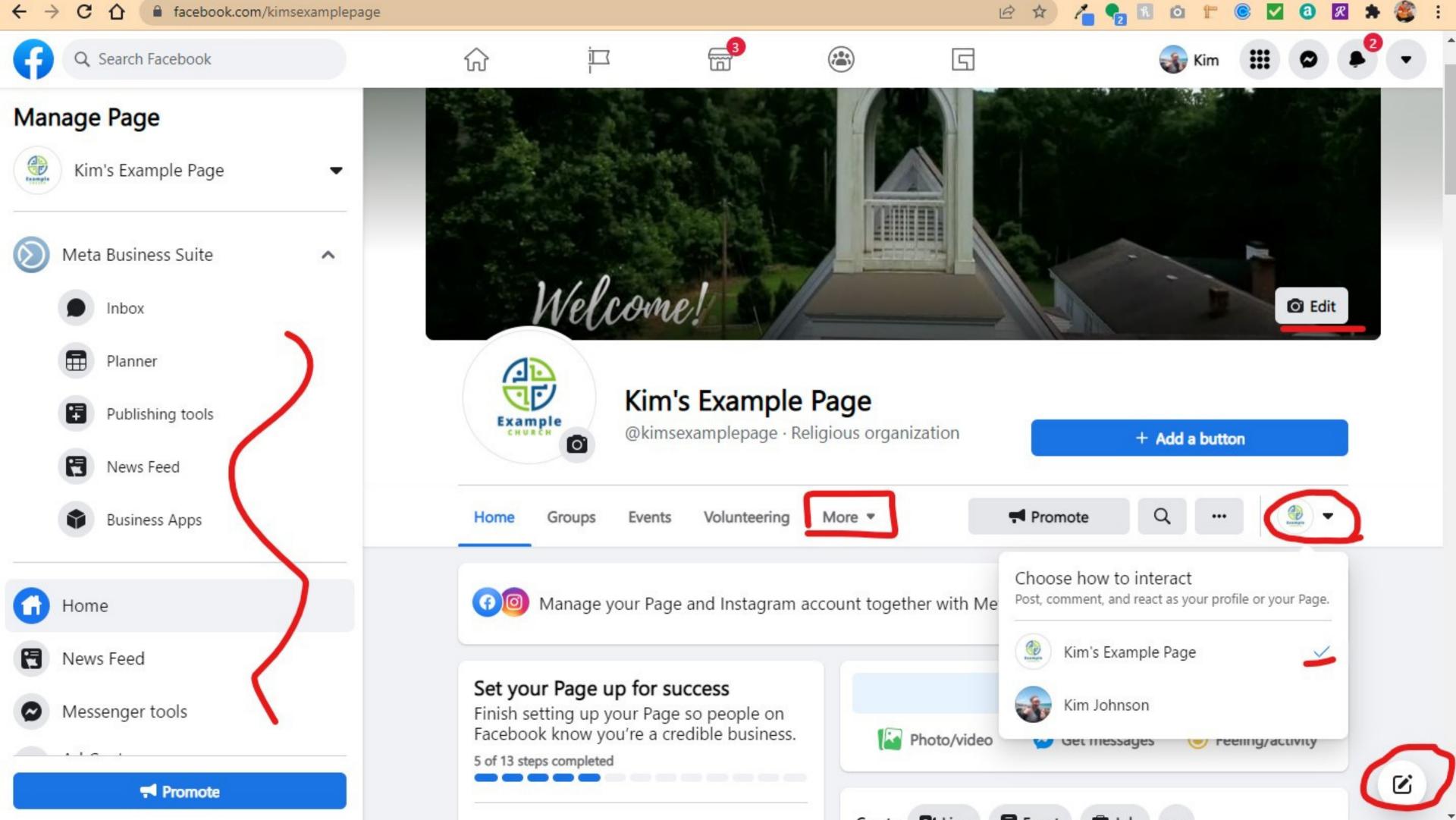


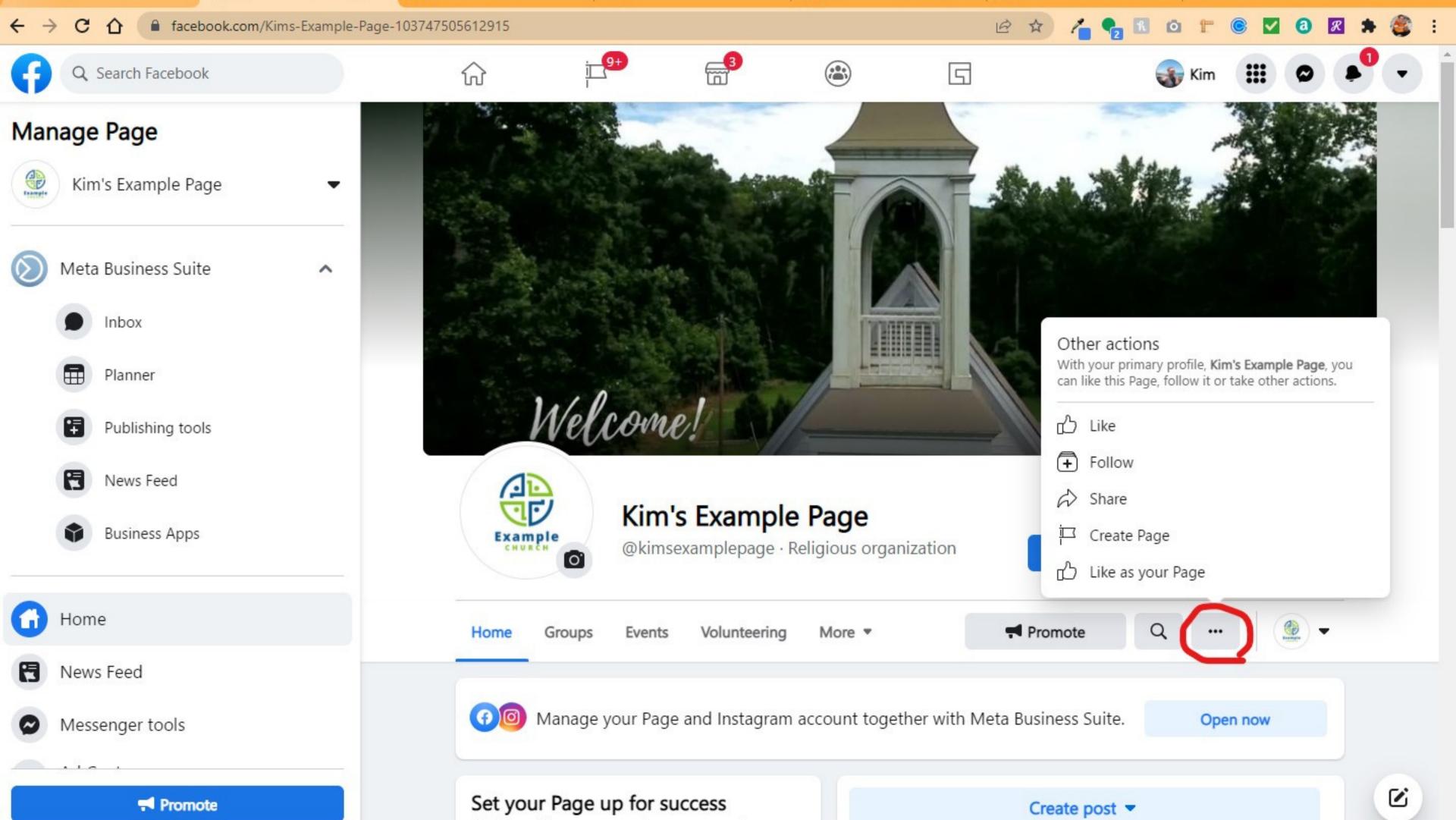




Make a Page!

facebook.com/pages/create

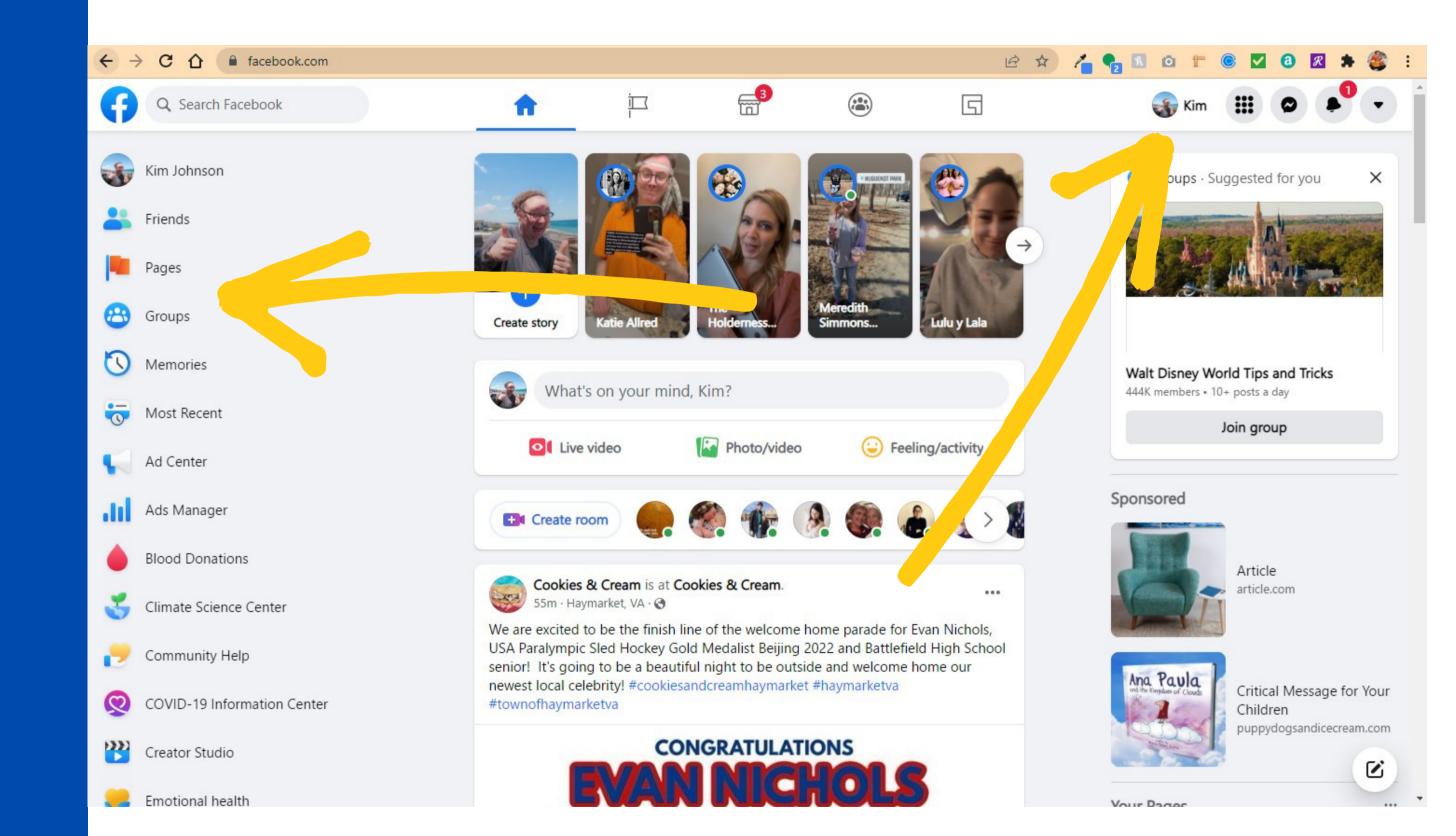


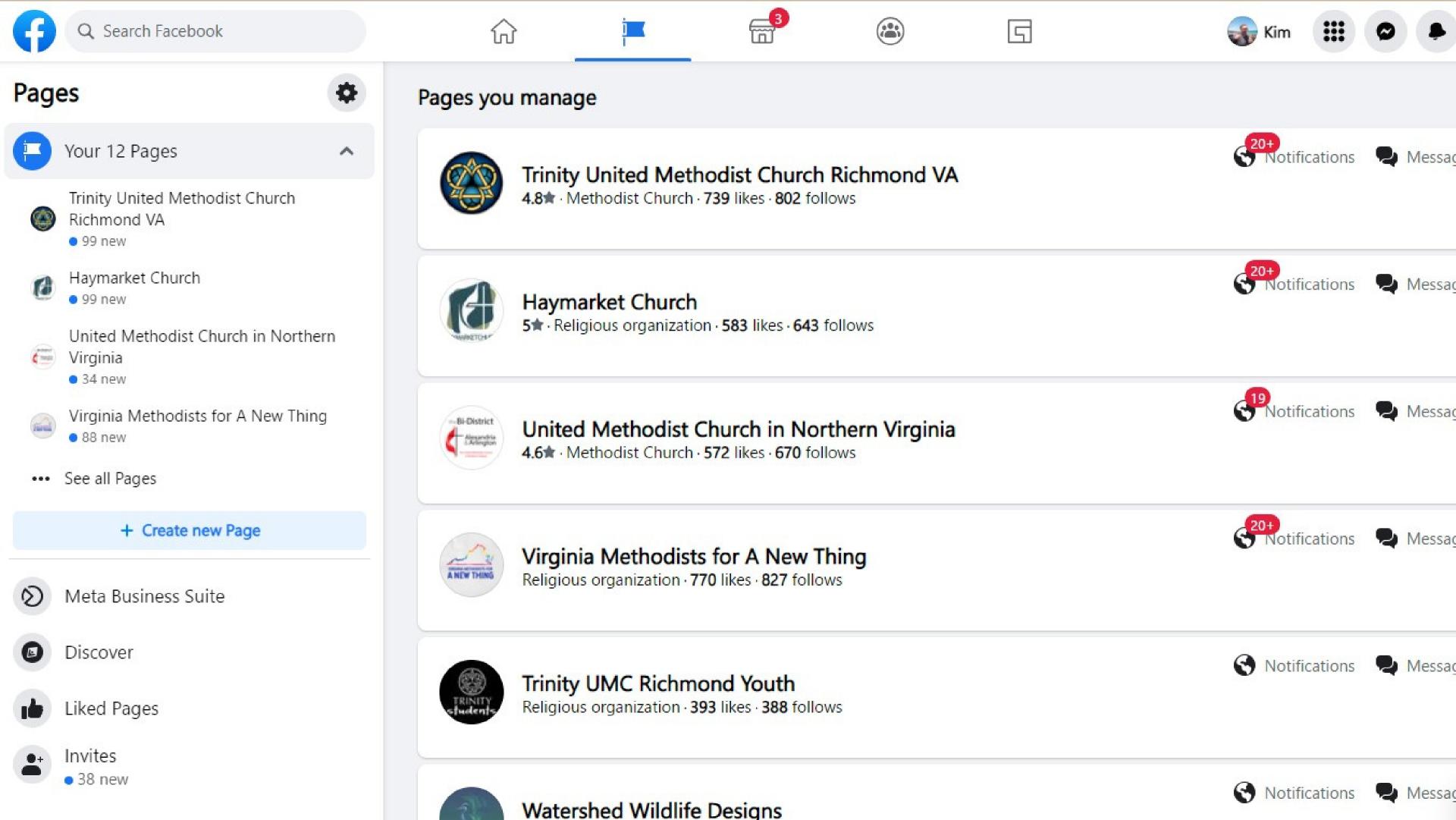


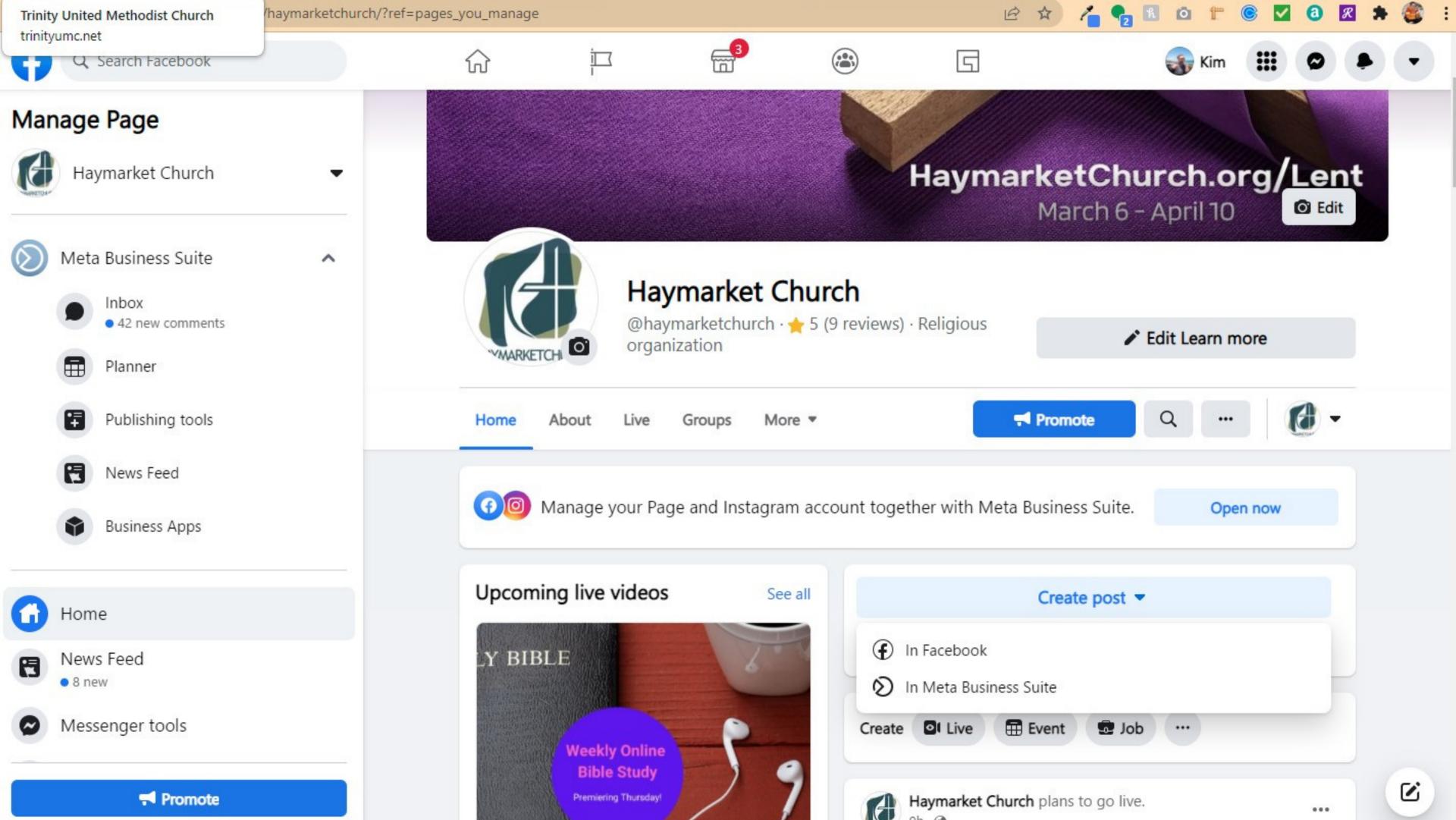


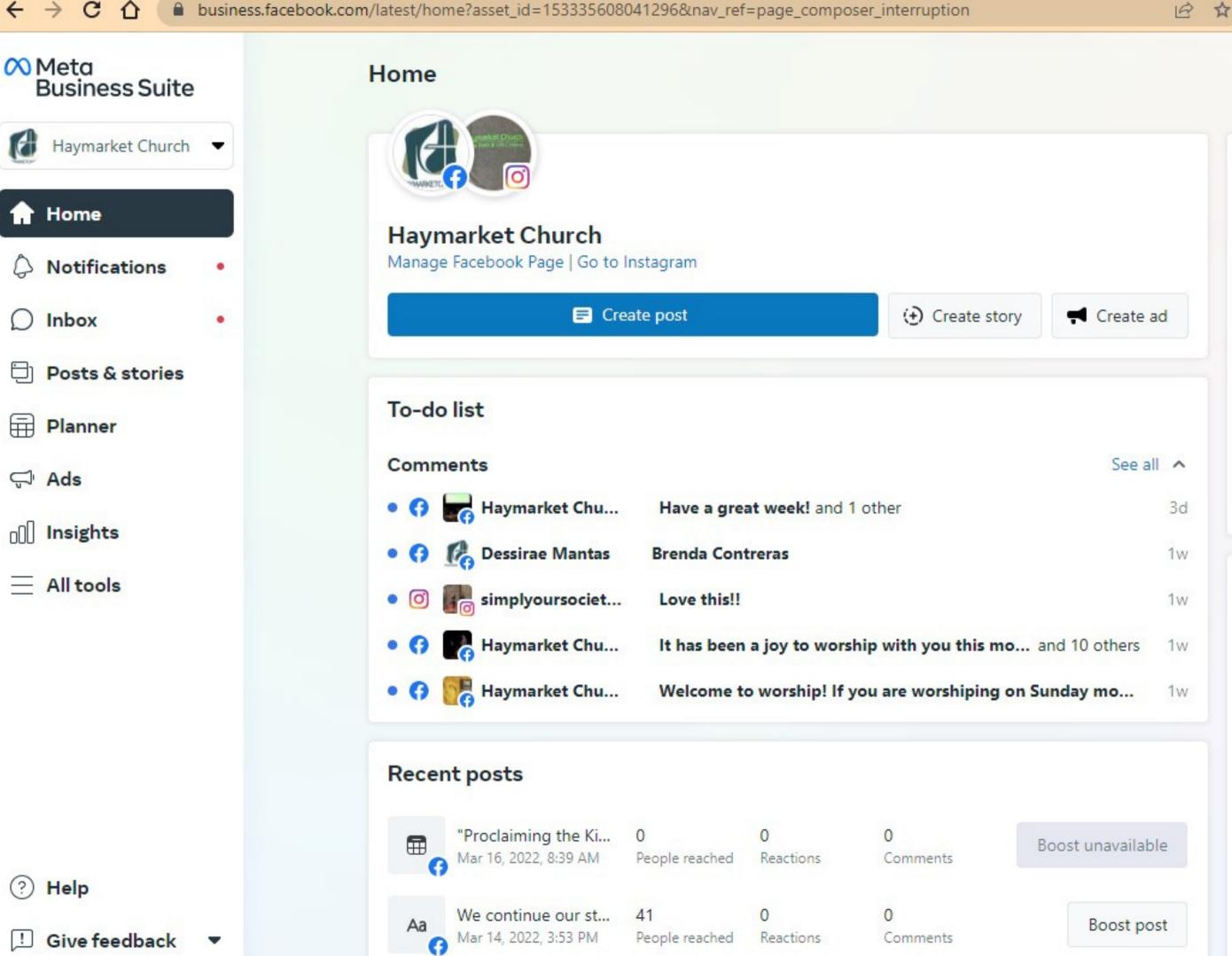
Navigating Facebook

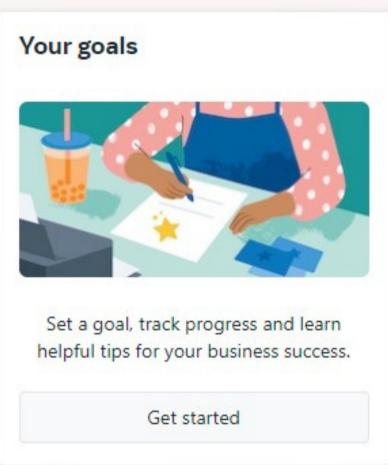




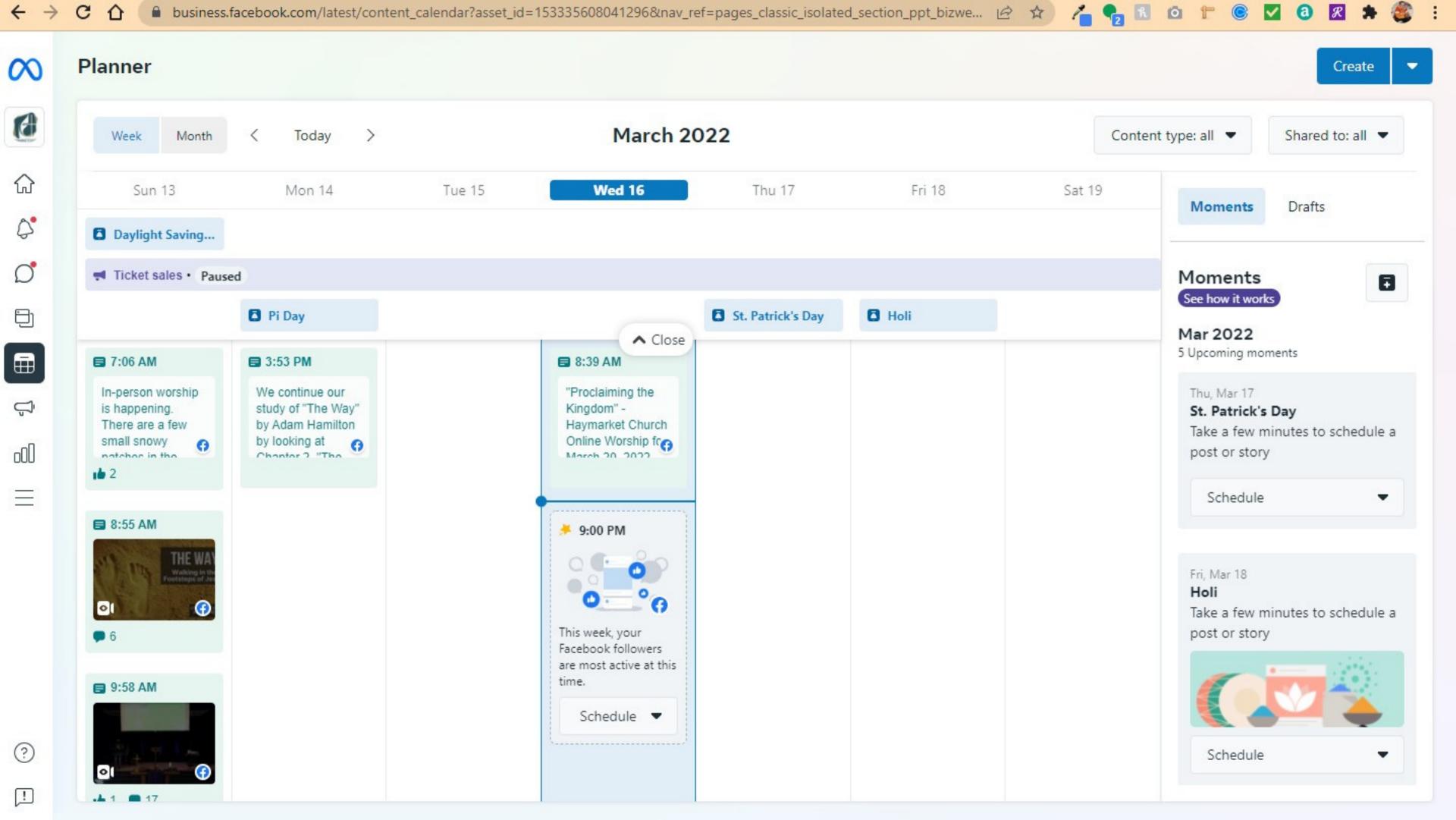


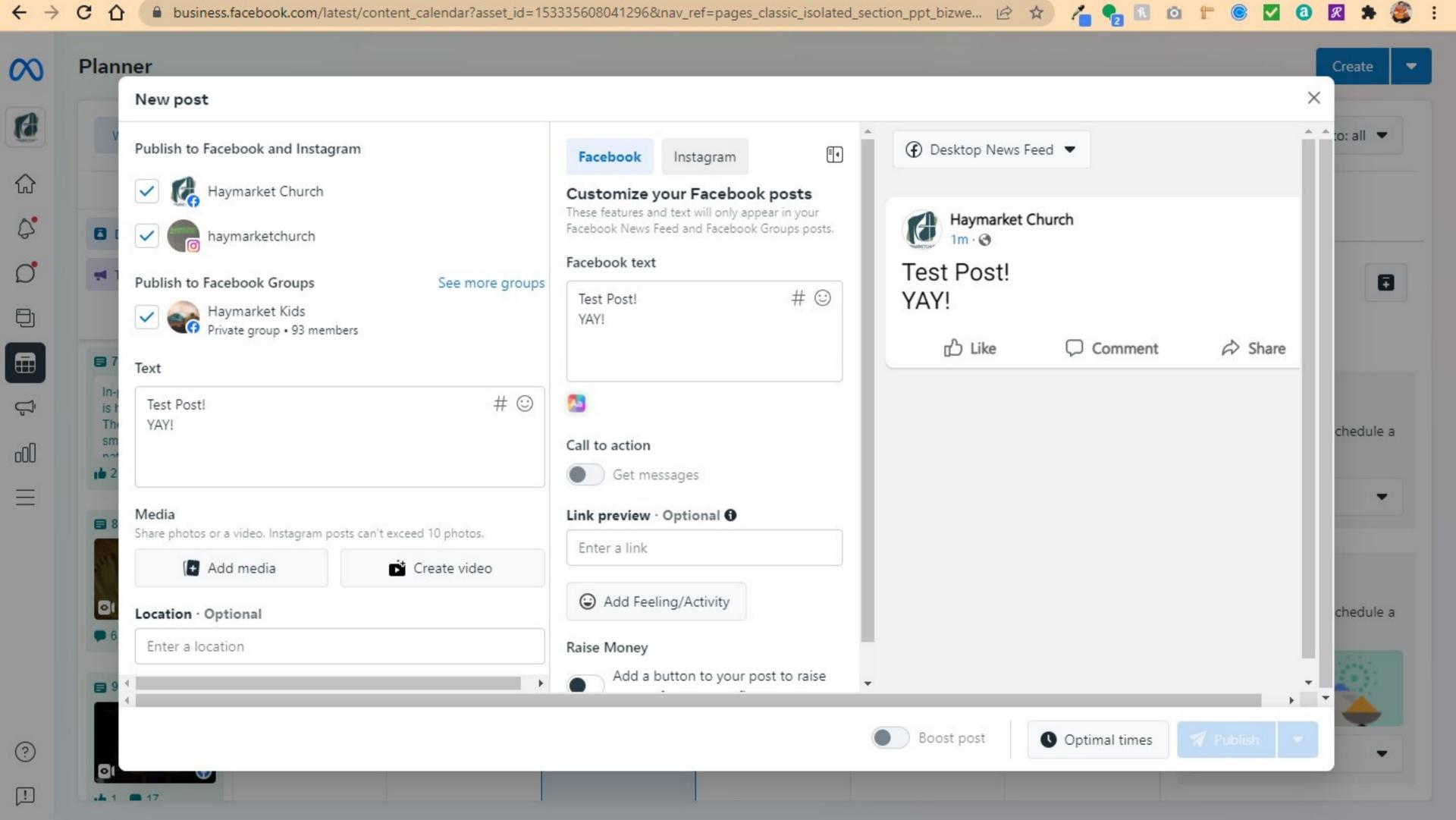






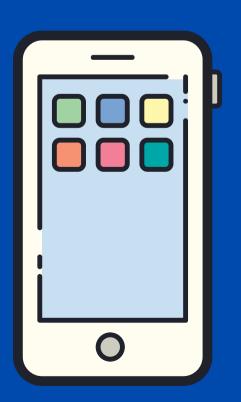


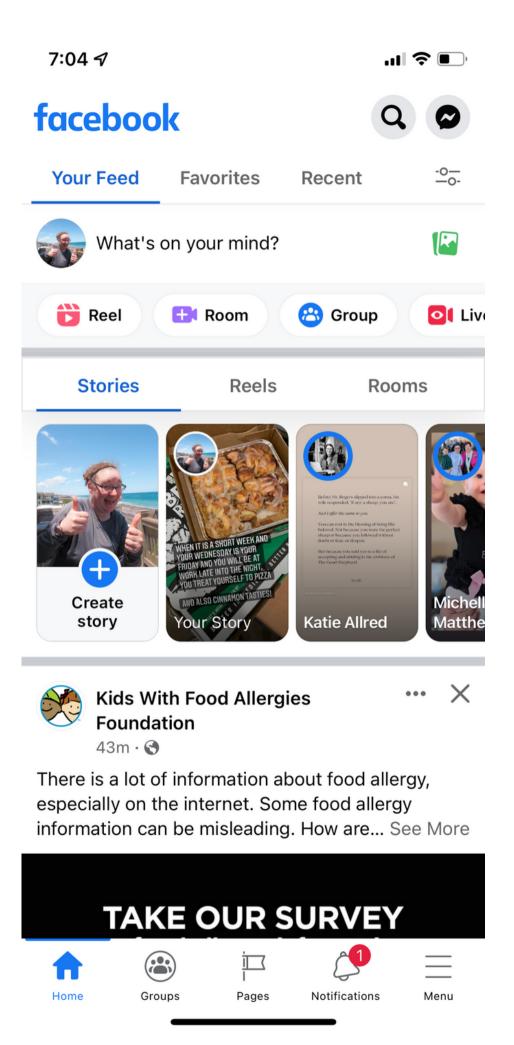






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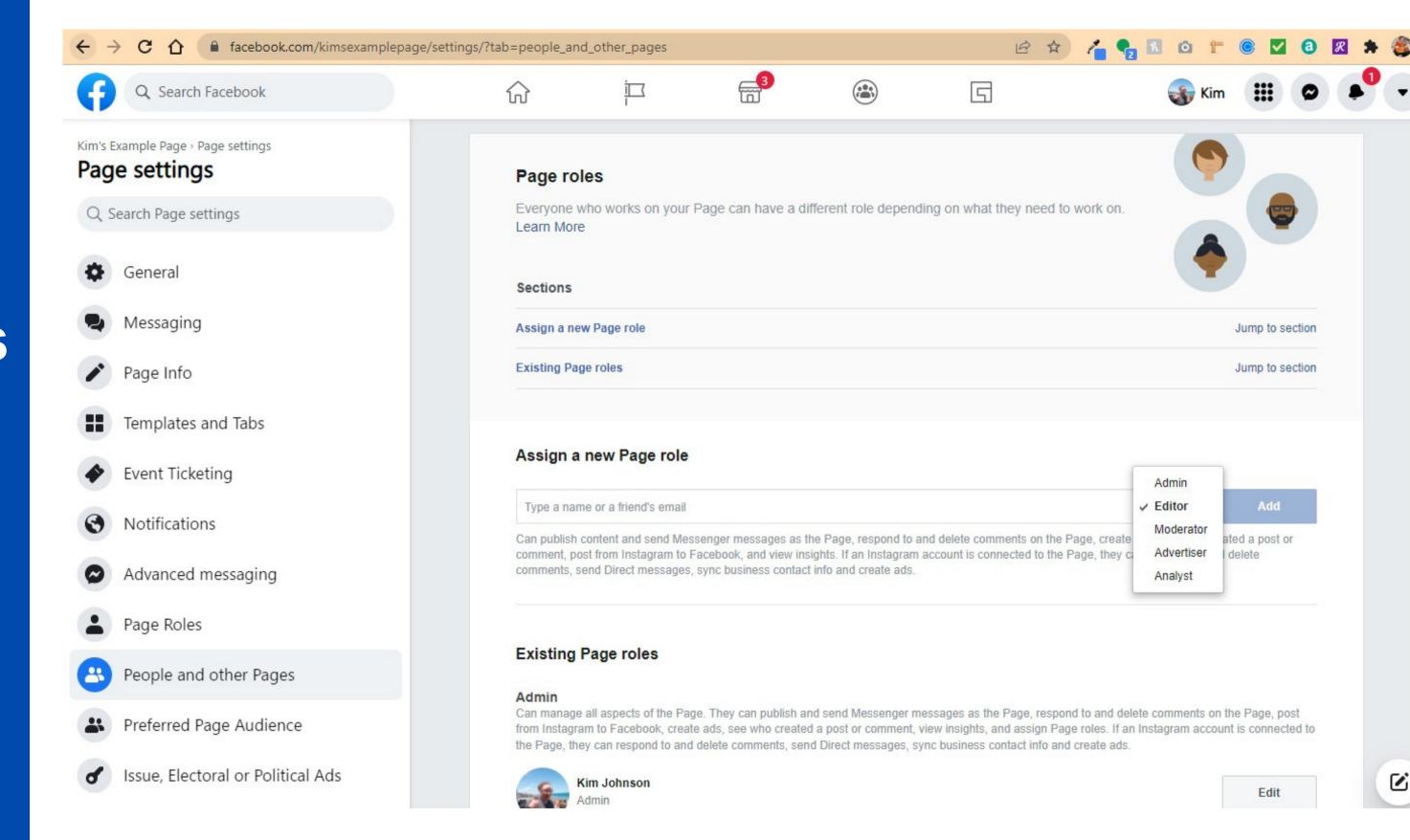






Administrators and Roles





(You must be friends in order to add them)



What to Post



Use EVENTS
Use Facebook LIVE
Use Groups
Advertise on Facebook
Encourage People to
Tag the Church

- A question
- A shared article
- A shared post from a partner organization (Rising Hope, Just Neighbors, Lamb Center, Hypothermia Ministries, Grace Ministries, the church next door...)
- A shared post from a denominational resource (VAUMC, UMC.org, umcom.org)
- A Scripture verse
- A call to prayer/A prayer to pray
- A silly question
- A story/photo/celebration of good ministry that has happened recently
- Did you know?
- Church Fun Fact
- Building Scavenger Hunt/Trivia



YOU HAVE CONTENT!!!



- Don't be intimidated by needing to create ALL THE THINGS
- Remember, you plan for Sunday EVERY week there's always scripture, prayer, a sermon
- Use those things, schedule those things in advance
- Don't recreate the wheel!
- Takes planning upfront but can get into the rhythm
- Create your list of top 5 events at each week's staff meeting
- Decide which will be pushed on social—is it the same as the email? Or a different focus?
- Remember to celebrate with photos shared/taken!



It's 2022



Everyone has a Camera at all times

•Some of your social media 'team' is already doing this work for you—on their own social feeds

•Harnessing that energy and enthusiasm takes strategic thought, planning, and ASKING for help will move you forward



Building Your Team



- Staff have the most direct access to what is going on when and priorities
- Staff can also balance the posts on a schedule
- Volunteers can be granted access
- Create a team of Social Media 'engagers'
- "the un-committee"
- People who are already active on social media-people who already understand and use it
- People who have diverse circles of influence—UMW,
 Kids, Youth, Sunday School, Serve, etc.
- People who are eager to share and engage and be ambassadors
- People who have a passion for your church



Ask Your Team For

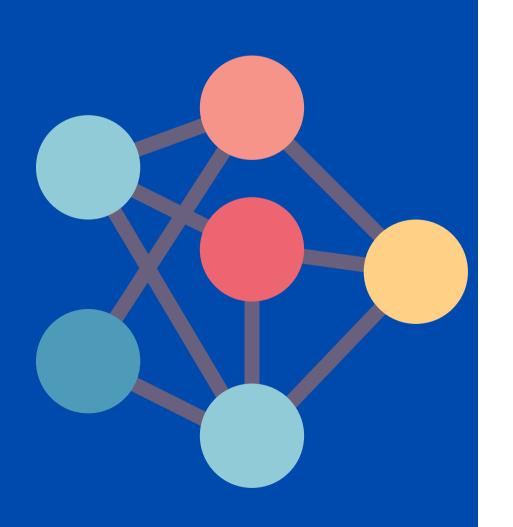


- Actively and intentionally interact with your content
- Make this part of their ministry to your church—using their gifts
- Ask them to
- Follow, Like, Comment
- Answer the questions asked, pose further questions
- Share with their circles/spheres of influence by sharing your content
- Intentionally watch for and interact with your content
- Feed you photos/ideas/content to post---remember
 THEY HAVE CAMERAS AT ALL TIMES
- Evaluate your posts monthly/quarterly---do they feel engaged by the content?





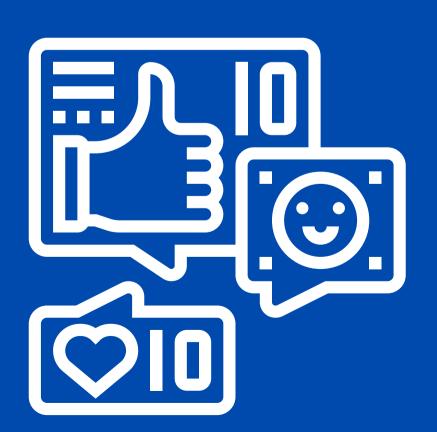
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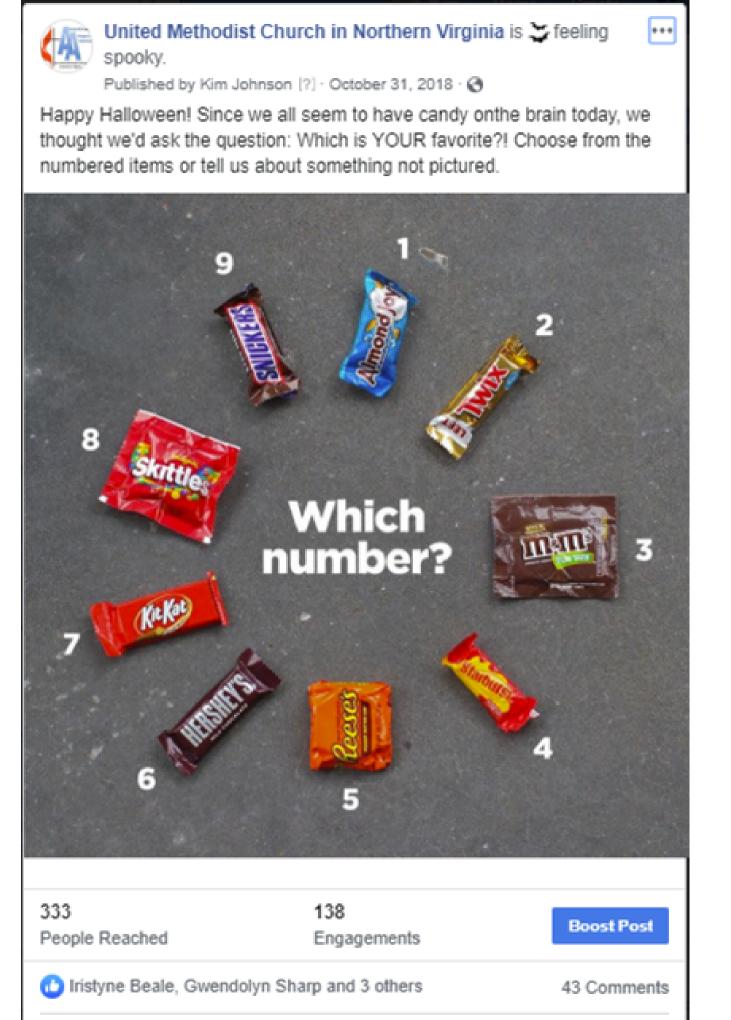


- Facebook's algorithm is what determines your feed. It sorts through all of your posts and decides which ones are more interesting to you than others. The more engaging posts get pushed higher on your news feed. Since Facebook is constantly changing its algorithm, it is challenging to keep up with the changes.
- The algorithm considers your past interactions within Facebook, what you currently have open, and what other people are doing to decide what should be shown on your feed.



Let's Look at Some Posts



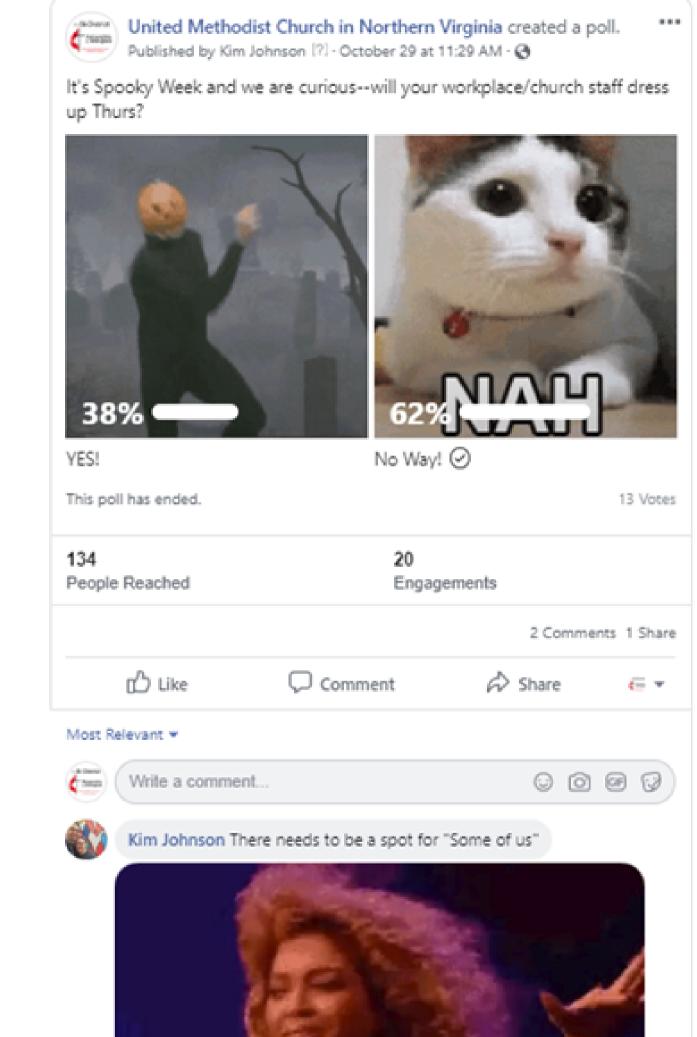


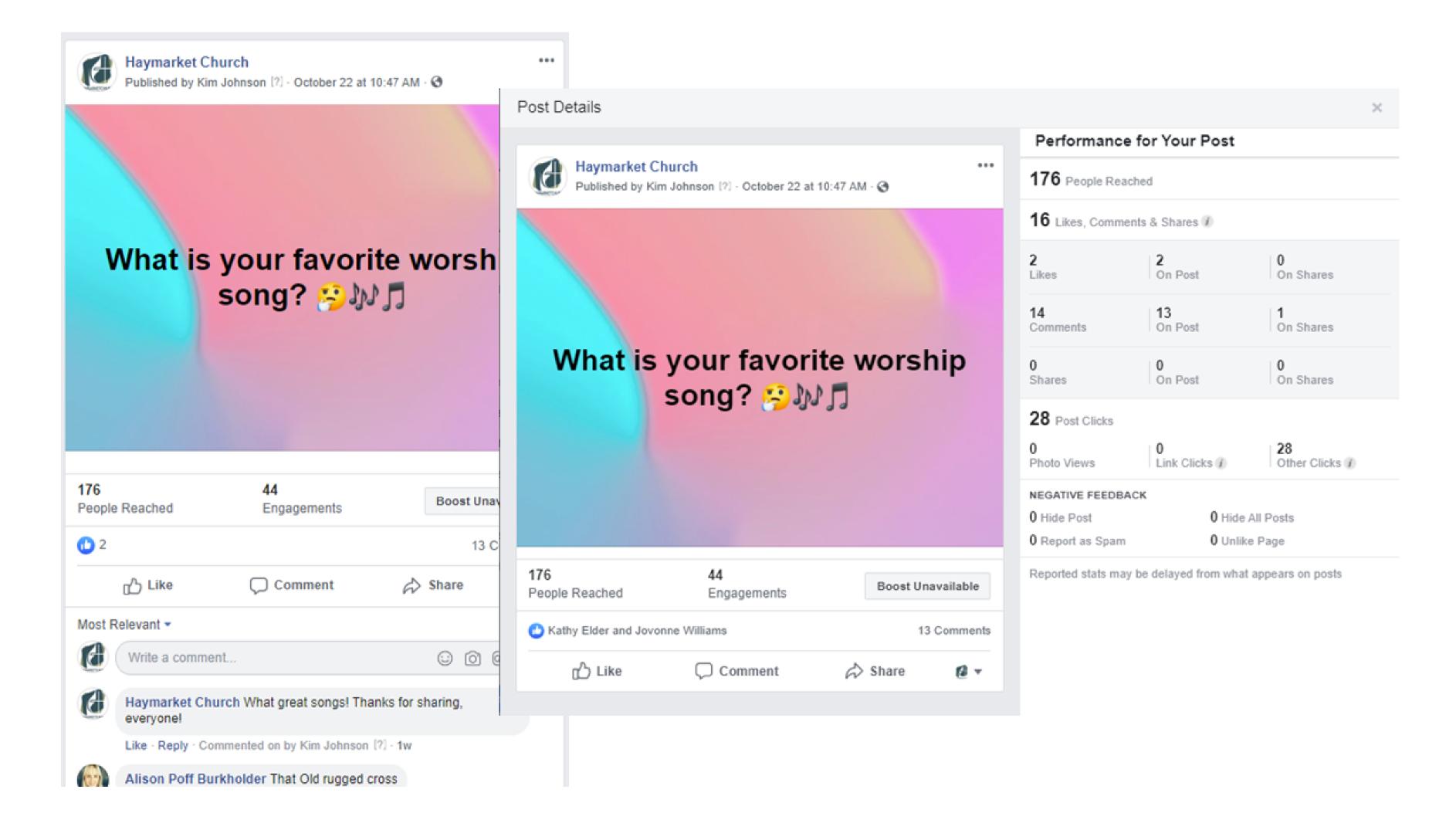
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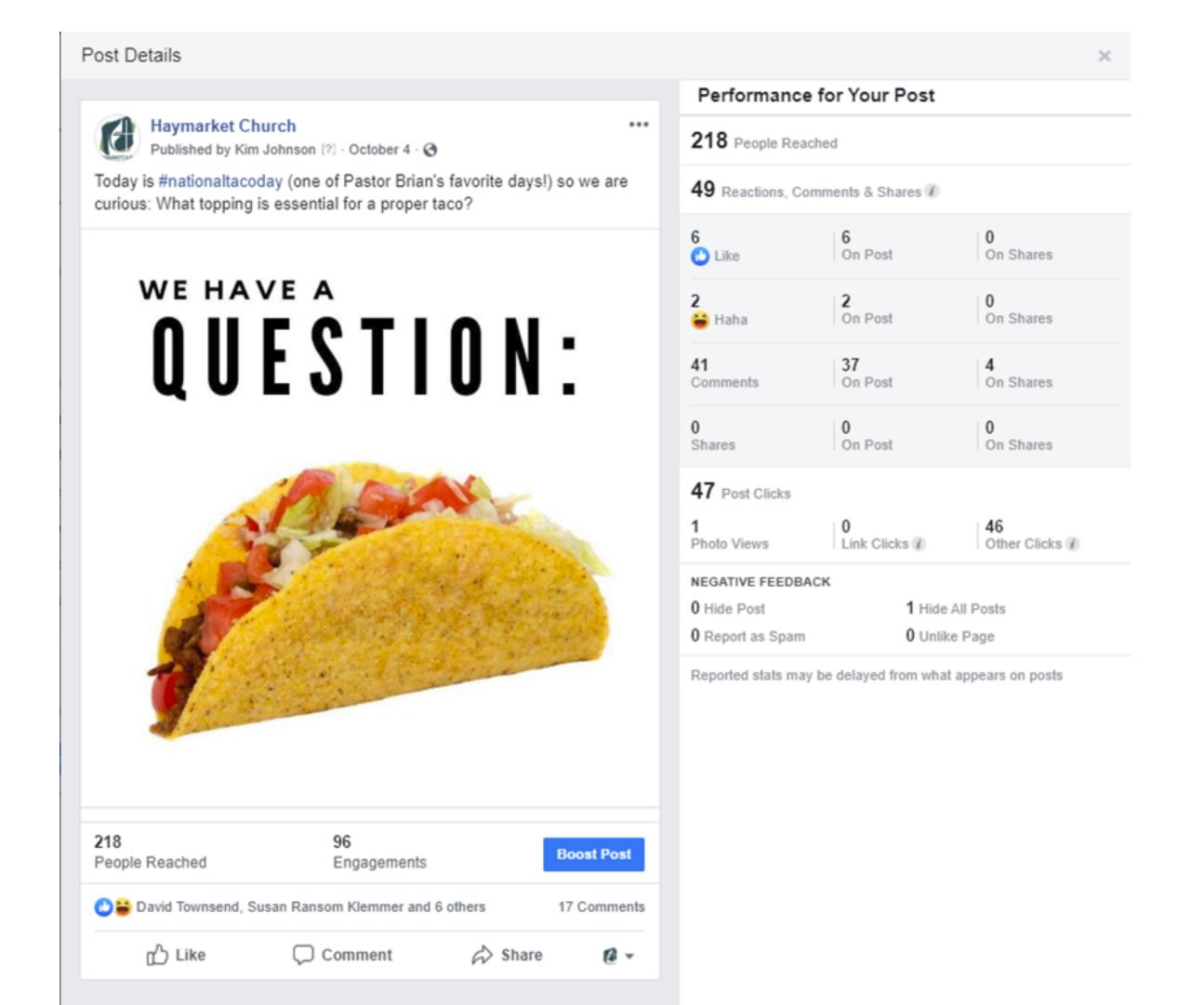


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Last week we asked you to tell us your favorite worship songs. We've put all those songs into a Spotify playlist. We hope this playlist will help you worship God this week!

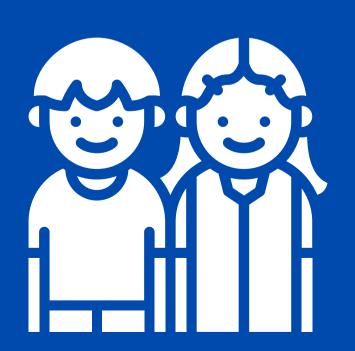


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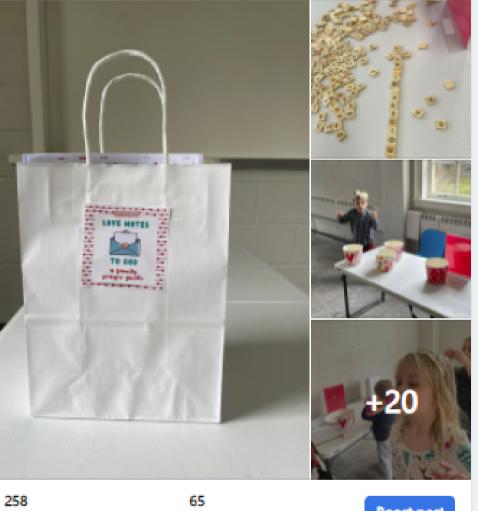


What about kids?





Trinity Kids Snapshot: Families had a great time at our Love Notes to God event! Families played games, prayed with scrabble tiles and pipe cleaners, made hear paper airplanes, made a valentine to God, and completed a scavenger hunt for love in the Bible! Each family left with a gift bag of ideas on different ways to pray together as a family!



258 People reached		65 Engagements		Boost post		
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Haymarket Church

Published by Karen Heckendorn Thom 0 - March 13 at 656 PM -

The Tweens had an awesome service adventure today with our partners at Boxes of Basics. They sorted and shelved clothes, organized hangers, carried boxes, hung coats, and more. It was a great afternoon learning about this great organization and helping other

And extra life lessons because the heat had gone out in the building. I didn't hear any complaints about the cold. They just stayed bundled and went to work! These are some awesome kids!





740 People reached	127 Engagements	Boost post

OO 9 16 2 Comments 3 Shares n⁽²⁾ Like □ Comment Share

Comment as Haymarket Church

Cordova Ingrid Thank you !!!for the opportunity to be part of this

wonderful time to help our community 8 🖰 😘 🙏 💖 Reply Hide Send Message 3d

Haymarket Church

Cordova Ingrid It was great to have her help with

Like Reply Commented on by Karen Heckendorn Thom (I) 2d



Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA shared a

Admin - December 19, 2021 - 6

Trinity Kids Snapshot: This morning Trinity Kids families created their own nativity set at our Journey to the Manger event! This special nativity can be used by our families again and again to explore and retell the Christmas Story!







Elaine Woody Peele

Most relevant =

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n⁽²⁾ Like

So exciting to see all these young families working and building something that will bring memories for many years! Loved it!

Like Reply 12w

Comment as Trinity United Methodist Chur... (2) (2) (3)



☐ Comment





Post details





Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA

Published by Hungsu Lim 0 -March 2 at 7:11 AM - (3)

Remember that you are dust! To dust you shall return. Join us and mark this holy season of Lent. We're here until 8 am.







3 Shares













Comment as Trinity Unit... (2) (2) (2)







Performance for your post

689 People reached

61 Likes, comments & shares

27 Post clicks

14

Photo views Link clicks Other clicks

View more details

Negative feedback

Hide all posts

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Report as spam

Unlike Page

61 Likes, comments & shares

Branded content distribution

View breakdown

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689

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Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA added an ...

February 21 at 3:00 PM - 3



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Spring Fest

Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA 16 Going - 61 Interested

179 People reached Engagements

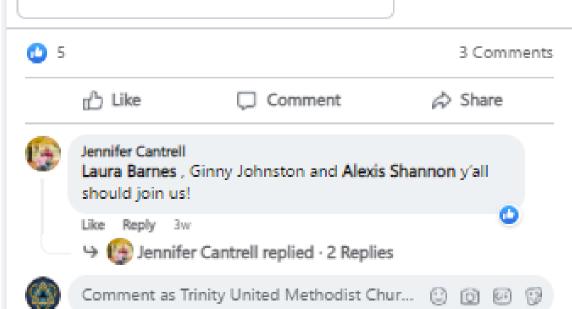
Boost event

Boosted on March 14 at 9:56 AM Finishes in 11 days By Kim Johnson

People reached 519

Event Responses 21

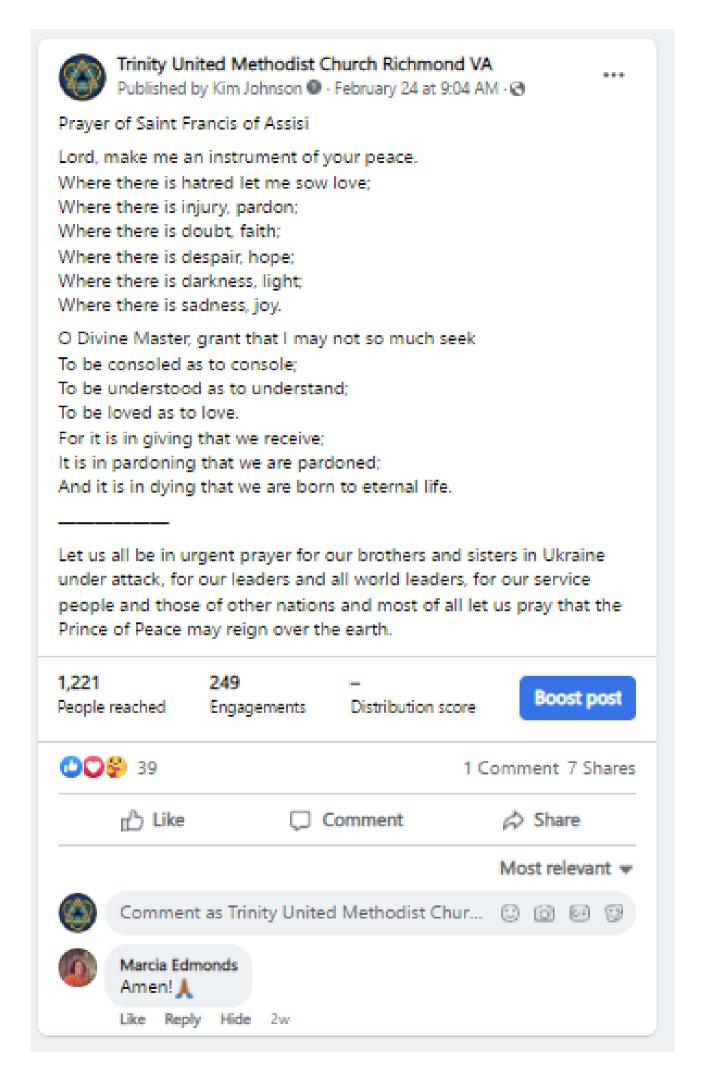
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Know Your Voice







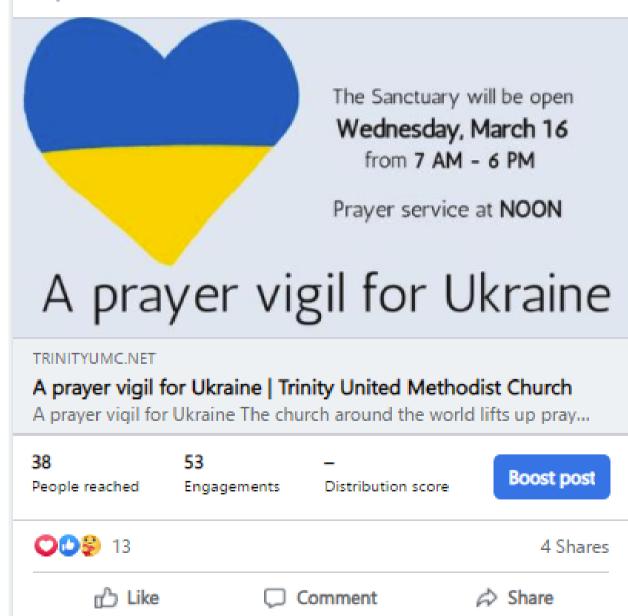
Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA is at Trinity United Methodist Church Richmond VA.

Published by Kim Johnson **②** · March 10 at 5:55 PM · Richmond, VA · **③**

The church around the world lifts up prayers for the people of Ukraine and peace. Trinity wants to invite you to join a prayer vigil on Wednesday, March 16. The sanctuary will be open for the solitude of prayer from 7 AM to 6 PM There will be some collective prayers written by others to be used for your prayer time.

Also, pastor Hung Su will offer a prayer gathering at noon. Let us come and join in praying for peace and millions of men, women, and children in Ukraine.

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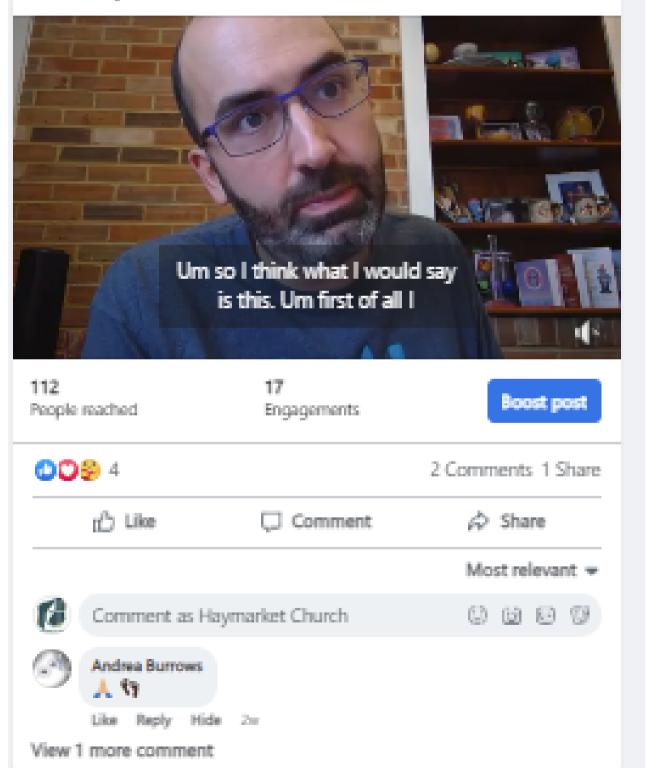
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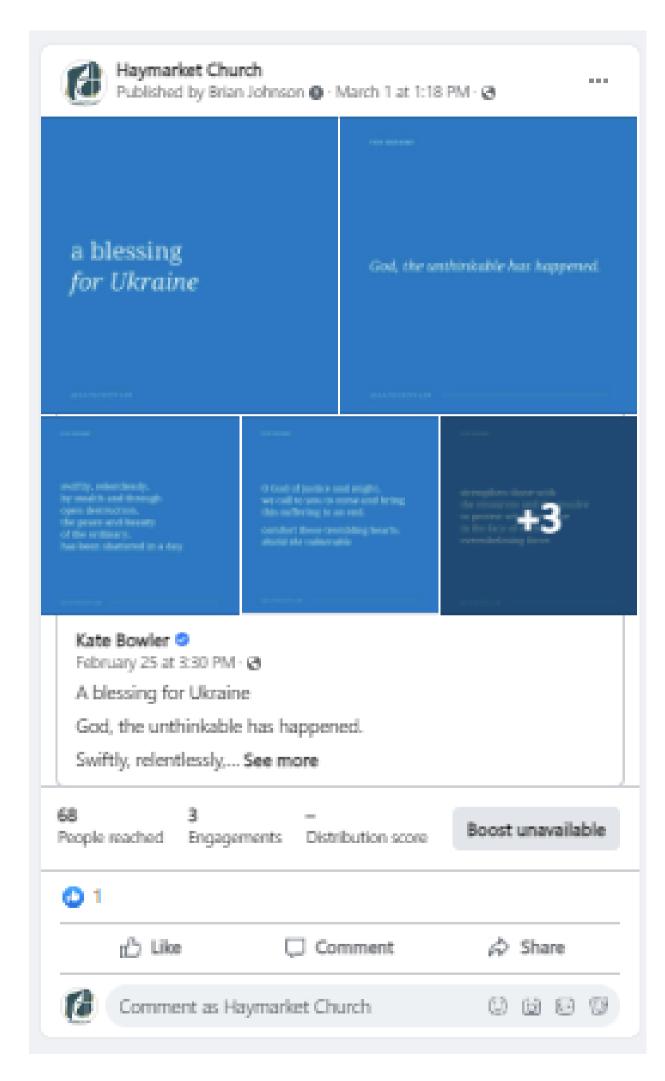




Published by Brian Johnson ● · March 1 at 10:30 AM · ②

In response to the violence we are seeing in Ukraine (and the darkness many of us are feeling), Pastor Brian offers some thoughts on what it means for Christians to pray for peace and work for peace in the midst of a world of violence and war. He also points to what it means that, in Jesus, our God has suffered and died for us - which means that God is in solidarity with those who suffer and die.







When to post?



- No fewer than 3 times per week
- Better to have 5/week
- Busy days can have 2 or 3 different posts
- Should be different content and should be spread out (not 3 Youth posts in a row)
- Should be different kinds of posts (photo, video, question, share, link...)
- Should have some kind of regular schedule—certain times/types when people can count on seeing your posts
- Thursday Prayer, Sunday Scripture on Friday

***Schedule some of these — you can spend time once a month and schedule all your 'regular posts' and be done — then only have to fill in 1 or 2 a week.

f Samples

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
BREAKFAST	SHARE SERMON	MID WEEK GROUPS ANNOUNCEMENTS	WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS	COMING UP THIS WEEKEND	HIGHLIGHT A MINISTRY OR VOLUNTEER	HIGHLIGHT A SPECIFIC EVENT	SERVICE STARTS AT ENCOURAGE PEOPLE LOCALLY TO SHARE.
LUNCH	WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS	SHARE SERMON	MID WEEK GROUPS ANNOUNCEMENTS	HIGHLIGHT A SPECIFIC EVENT	COMING UP THIS WEEKEND	HIGHLIGHT A MINISTRY OR VOLUNTEER	SHARE PREPARED IMAGE AND QUOTE FROM SERMON
DINNER	MID WEEK GROUPS ANNOUNCEMENTS	WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS	SHARE SERMON	HIGHLIGHT A MINISTRY OR VOLUNTEER	HIGHLIGHT A SPECIFIC EVENT	COMING UP THIS WEEKEND	SHARE PREPARED IMAGE AND QUOTE FROM SERMON WITH LINK TO SERMON ARCHIVE OR NEW UPLOADED MESSAGE

f Samples

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
AM	#SundaySermon	Photo	Question	Youth	Sunday's Scripture	Don't Forget	
PM	Question	Partner Link or Prayer Focus	Celebration/ Email focus	Coming this Weekend	Children's		

Remember that there is always room for 'breaking news' or celebration or 'in the moment'



Pages vs Groups



- Facebook has made moves to elevate GROUPS over PAGES
- Facebook is prioritizing CONNECTION and connection comes with COMMUNITY
- In 2019 Groups rose even higher in Facebook's algorithm and have GREATER use and functionality.
- But Groups and Pages are different



Pages

- Your social 'front door.'
- What folks can look for, 'drive past', SEE.





Groups

- Your living room.
- A place for deeper, personal connection.
- A place to be KNOWN.



Haymarket Youth Parents

□ Private group



Interacting as Haymarket Church

About

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Members

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Moderate Group

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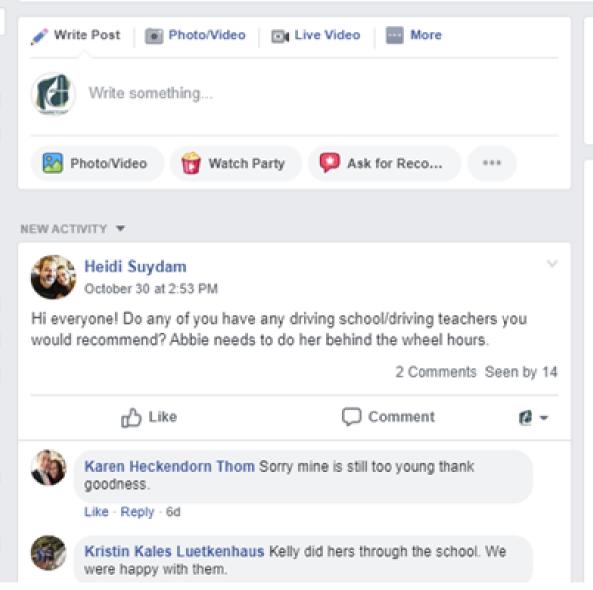
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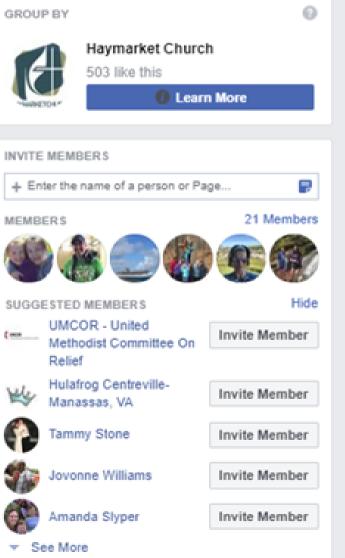
Trinity Kids

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Student Service Hours Opportunity!

On Saturday, April 9 from 6:30-8 pm the Haymarket Church Kids are hosting an Easter Flashlight Scavenger Hunt and they would love some youth to help.

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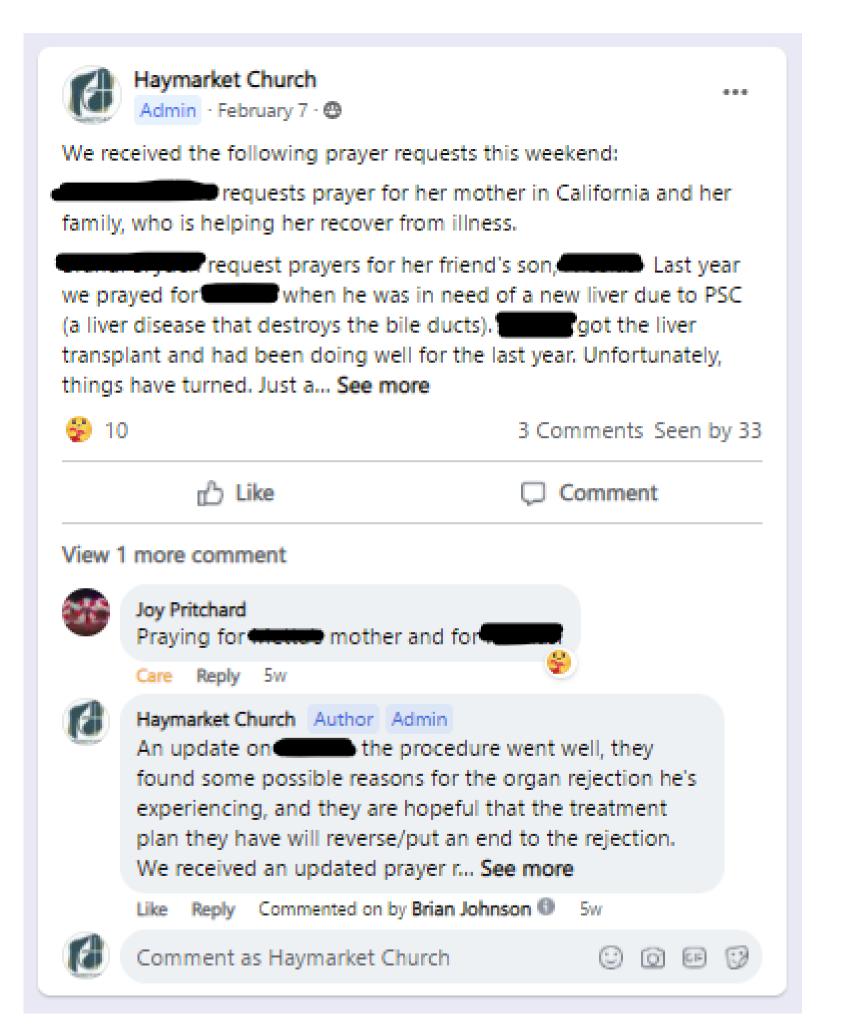
Setup starts at 5:30 pm.

We need youth to be egg "hiders".... to put eggs out to before the event and then also to restock them as needed during the night and help the kids on their search.

LET US KNOW IF YOU THINK YOUR YOUTH CAN HELP.

See more

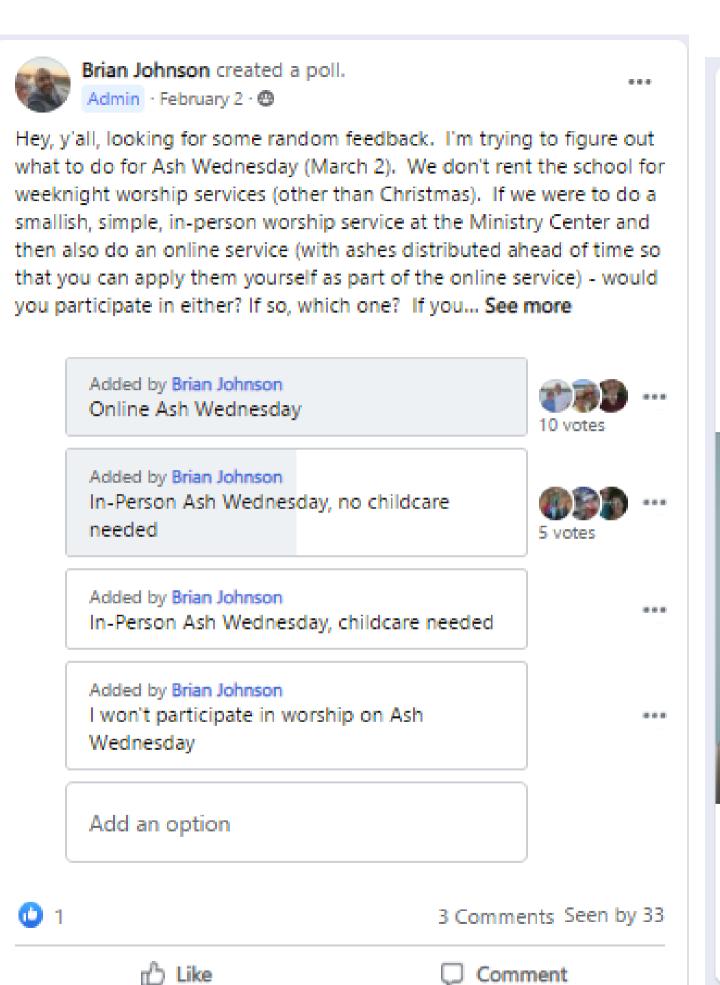


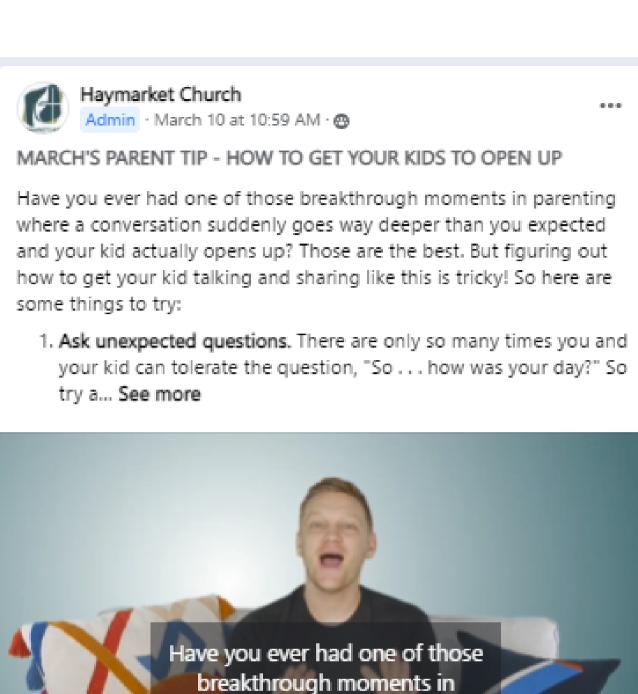






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Write an answer...

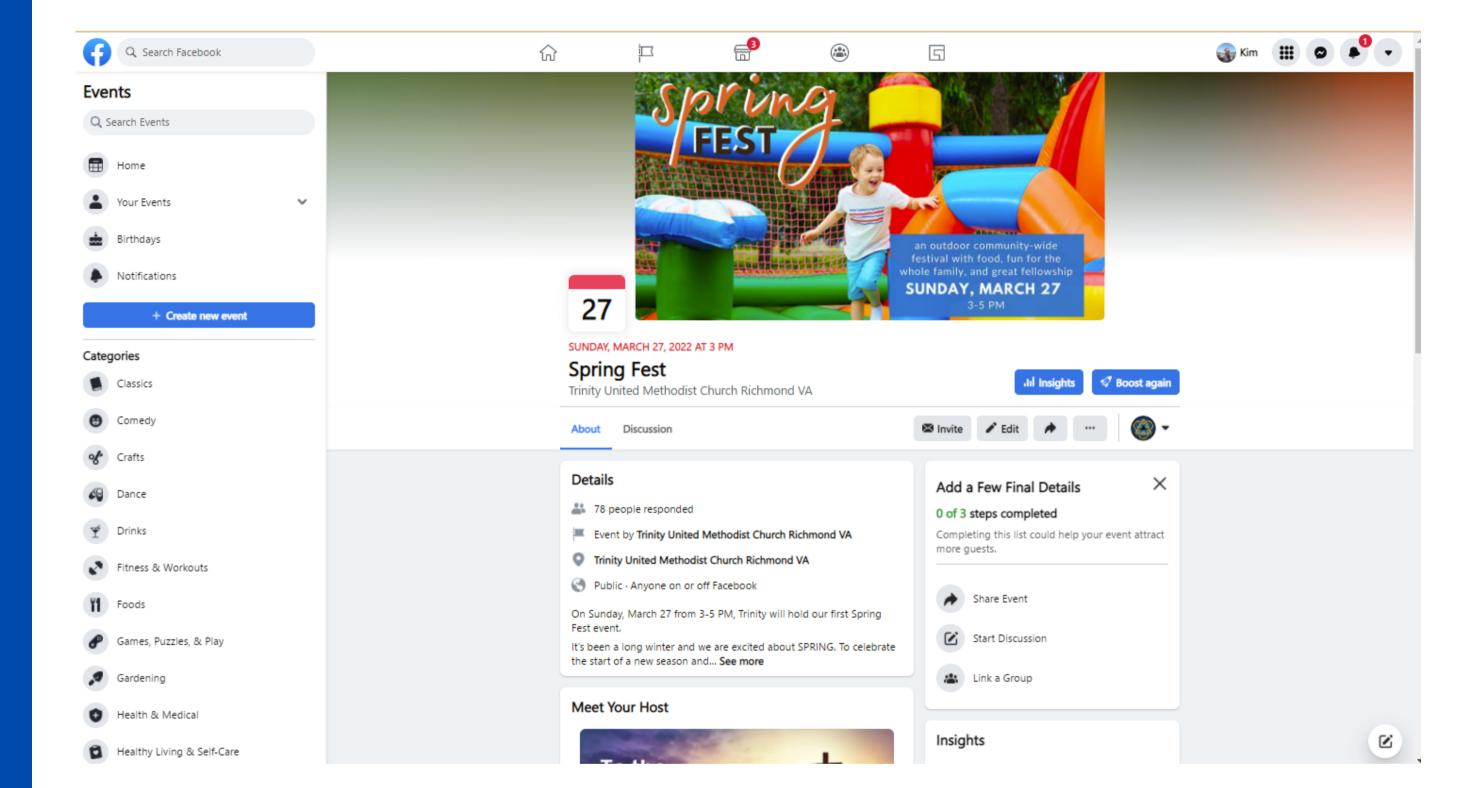
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Comment



Facebook Events





Use Events!!!

They show up in calendars and feeds

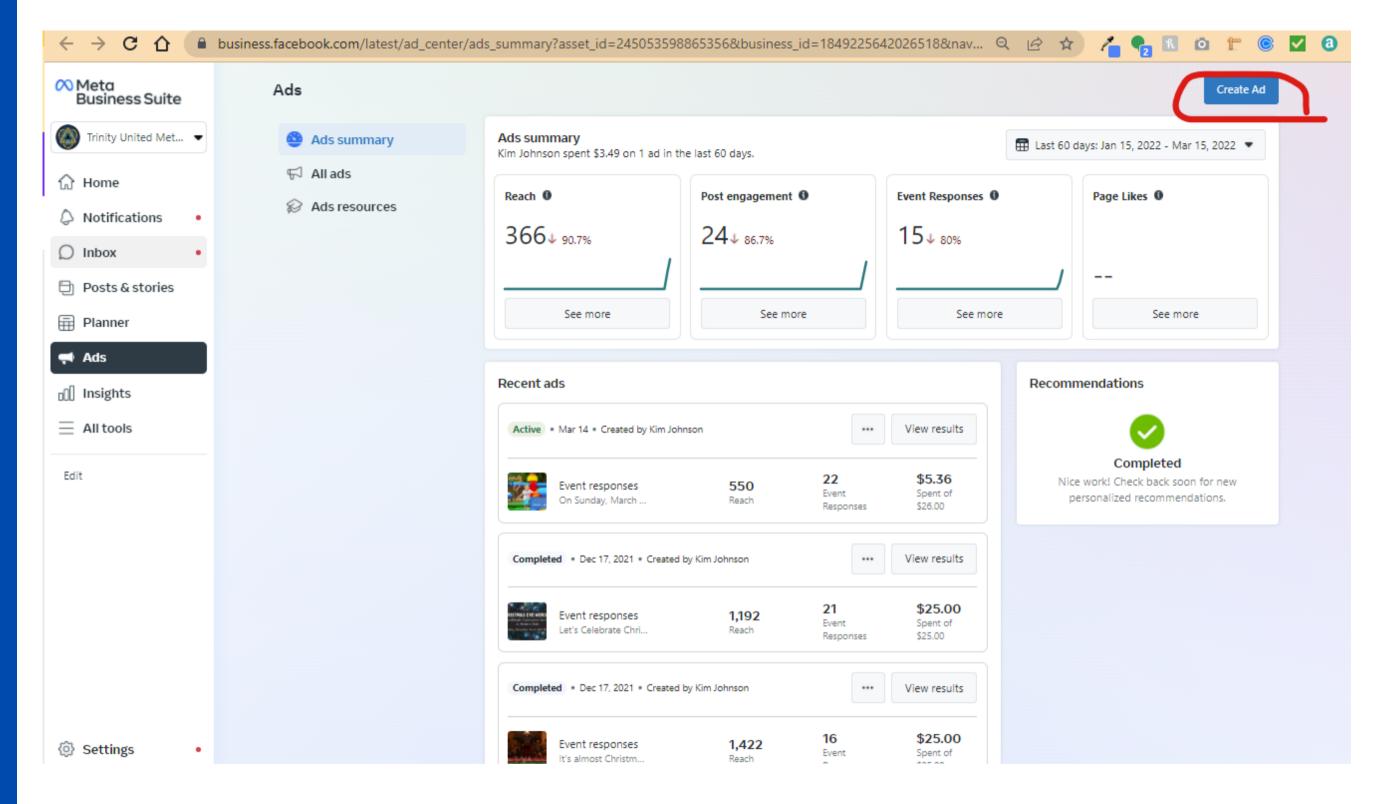
People can indicate interest

Can have their own discussions, ask questions, etc.



Facebook Ads

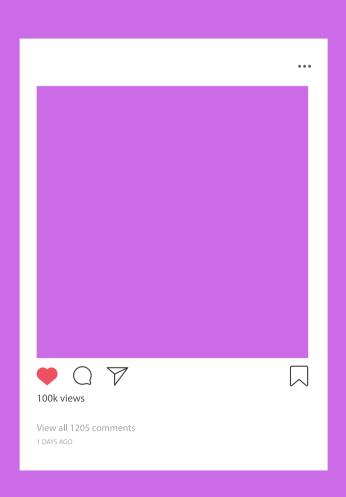




- Budget for Ads
- Can get a GREAT amount of reach for a small amount of money
- Can target a radius 5-10 [or more] miles around you
- Start with \$35 for Easter and see where it takes you!
- Great data and analytics available

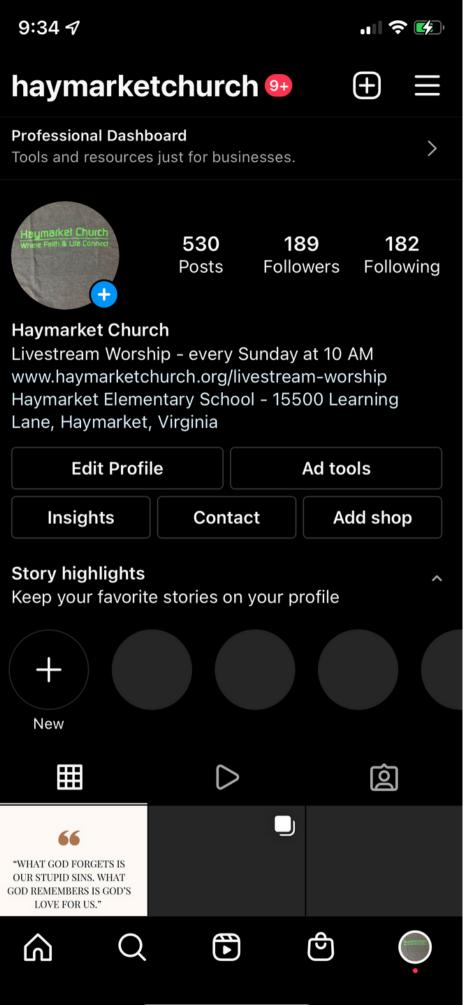


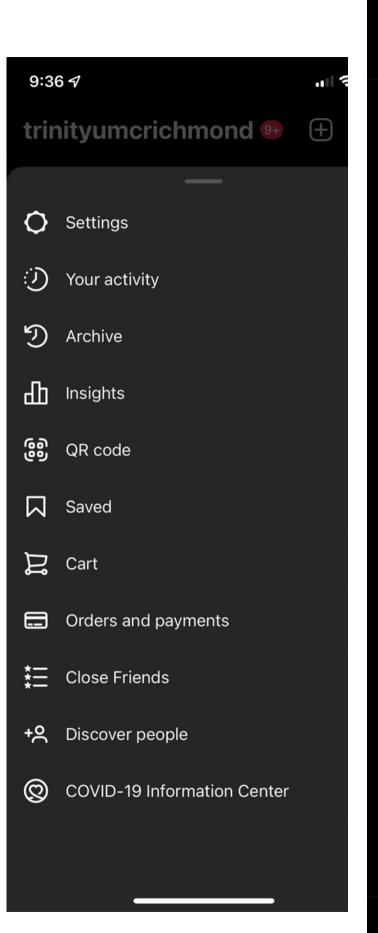
Instagram is:



- Visual
- In the moment
- Tells a story
- Behind the scenes content
- Mobile phone-based
- Videos are more prominent
- More positive
- Used to be difficult to schedule without an additional app, can be scheduled via Facebook now
- More searchable



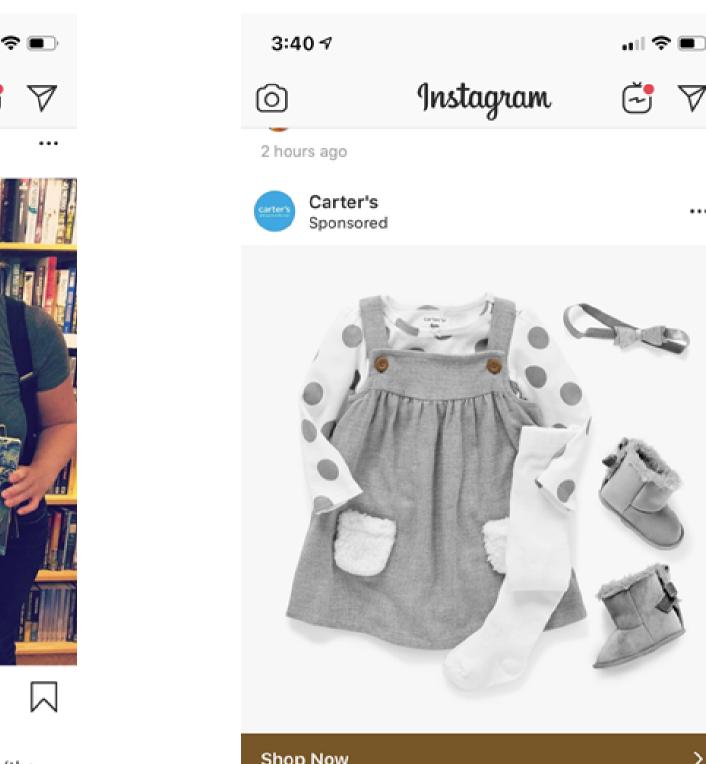












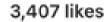












Baby shower on the way?! Thinking about gifts for the holidays?! We've got all the super cute... more

View all 37 comments











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Active Instagram Users



Instagram has

1.074 BILLION

users worldwide in 2021.

(eMarketer, 2020)

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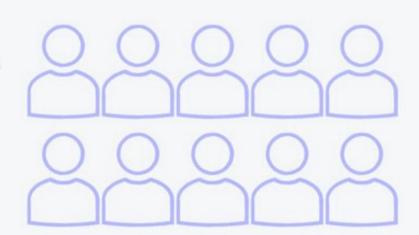
Young Adults Love Instagram

With a billion users on the app,

71%

of which are under age 35.

(Statista, 2019)



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InstagramEngagement Matters



Instagram can generate over

more interactions

on Instagram compared to Facebook.

(Socialbakers, 2018)

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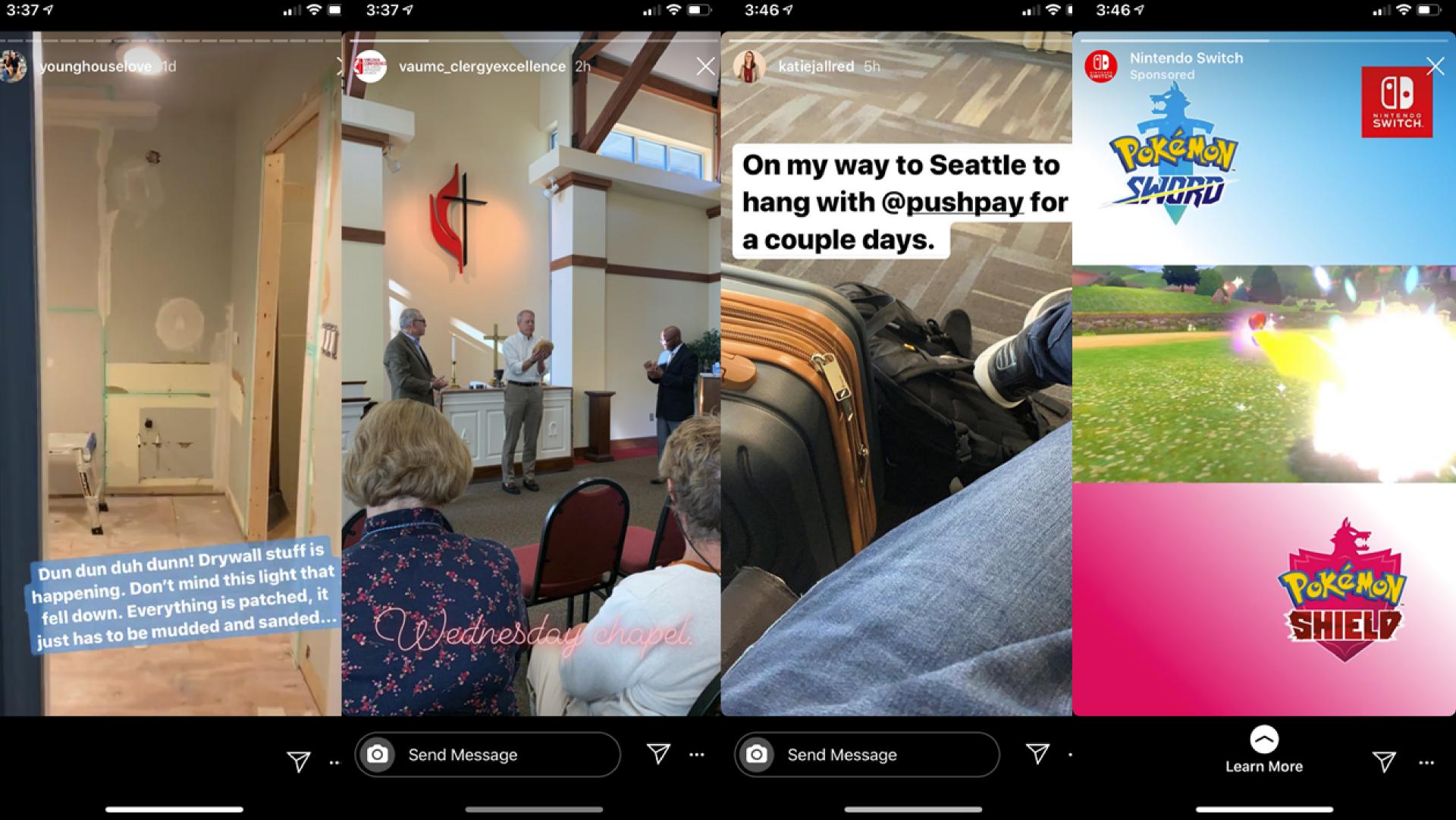
Instagram Stories Usage



500 MILLION

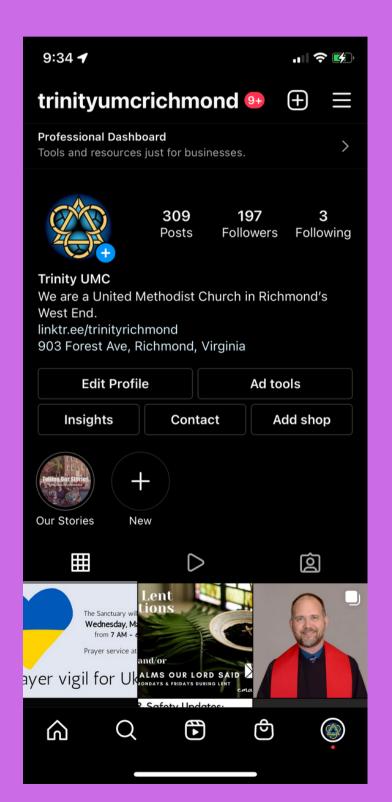
IG accounts use Instagram Stories every day, 1/3 of the most viewed IG stories are from businesses.

(Instagram, 2018)





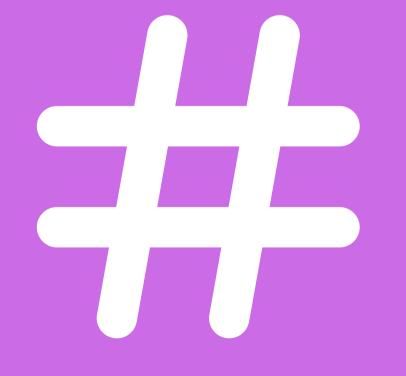
Content:



- Share Scripture or quotes from your sermons
- Go behind the scenes
- Invite people to your services and events
- Celebrate baptisms and communion
- Highlight a volunteer or community service
- Share images or videos of your worship service
- Lead people to your church's website
- Advertise an upcoming sermon or sermon series
- Get involved in Instagram conversations
- Make Reels (videos)
- Go Live



Use Hashtags



- #MondayMotivation
- #MusicMonday
- #TransformationTuesday
- #WisdomWednesday
- #ThrowbackThursday
- #ThankfulThursday
- #FridayReads
- #FollowFriday
- #ShoutoutSaturday
- #SundayRead
- #WeekendVibes

- 1. Custom—e.g.,
 #centralliving or
 #centralcommunitychurch
- 2. Community—e.g.,
 #niagararegion or
 #niagarafallscanada
- 3. Faith—e.g., #jesusislove or #churchfamily



Easy
Graphic
Design











Good. Design. Matters!

It Matters!

5 RULES for design

USE COLOR!

SIZE .a QUAITY •matter

No. Clip. Art. Ever.





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Use Photos





To Recap

5 RULES for design

- 1. Use Color.
- 2. Size & Quality matter!
- 3. No Clip Art. Ever!
- 4. Budget for Design.
- 5. Use Photos.



HOW?!!

You Need A Design Program

- Publisher (ick) There are BETTER options
- Adobe Creative Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign)
- Affinity photo/design (a bit cheaper)
- CANVA-- FREE!!!
- Wordswag/Typorama-- Cell Phone Apps



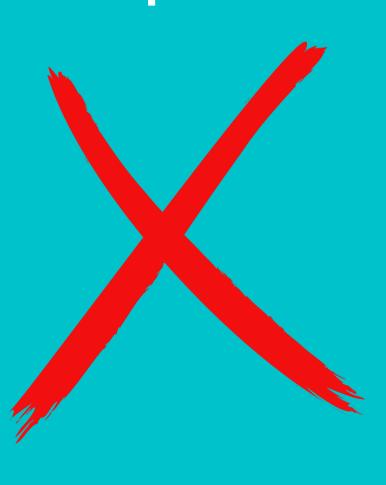
Font/ Typeface

- Choose Good Fonts!
- Don't use Word Art
- Remember- QUALITY!
- No more than 3 fonts at a time!





Clip Art









Vector Art





SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

- Fair Trade Christmas Market
- Christmas Concert (11:00 AM)
- Food Trucks
- Free Coffee & Cookies
- DIY Advent Craft Stations
- · and so much more!

Open to all and designed with busy families in mind!

Learn More: StStephensFairfax.org



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

More information and details can be found on our website as they are determined



FRESH FOOD FEST

for the whole Family 4 PM to 7 PM

May 24, June 21, July 26 & August 16

KIDS CAN - Children Called to Care
Summer Days of Mission & Service for Kids & Parents
MISSION MONDAY - JUNE 18
WE SHARE WEDNESDAY - JULY 11
TRUE GIVING THURSDAY - AUGUST 2



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

July 23 – 27, 9 am – Noon

Kids on an Impacting Island Adventure!

Registration: www.myvbs.org/TrinityUMCRichmond





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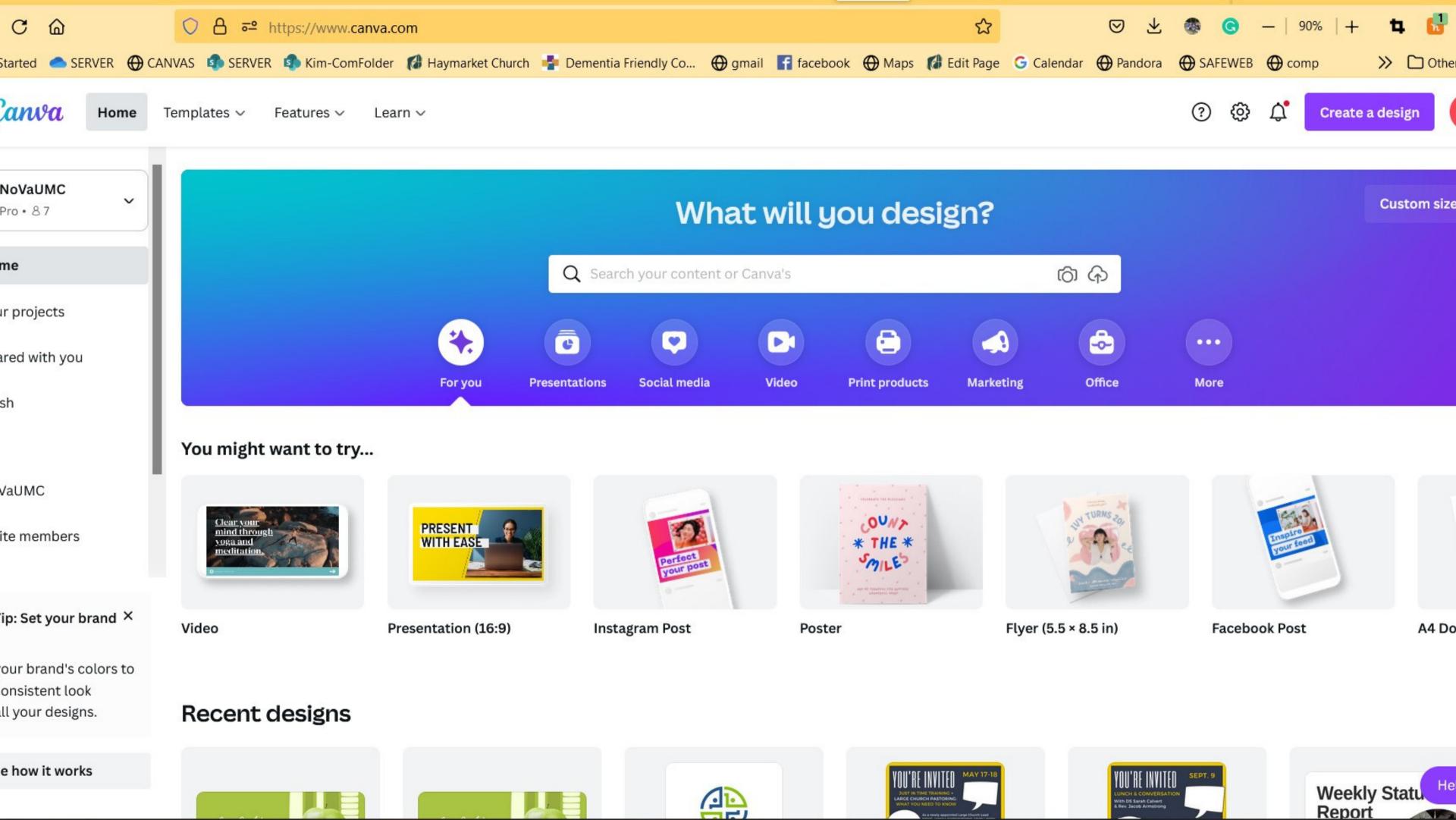


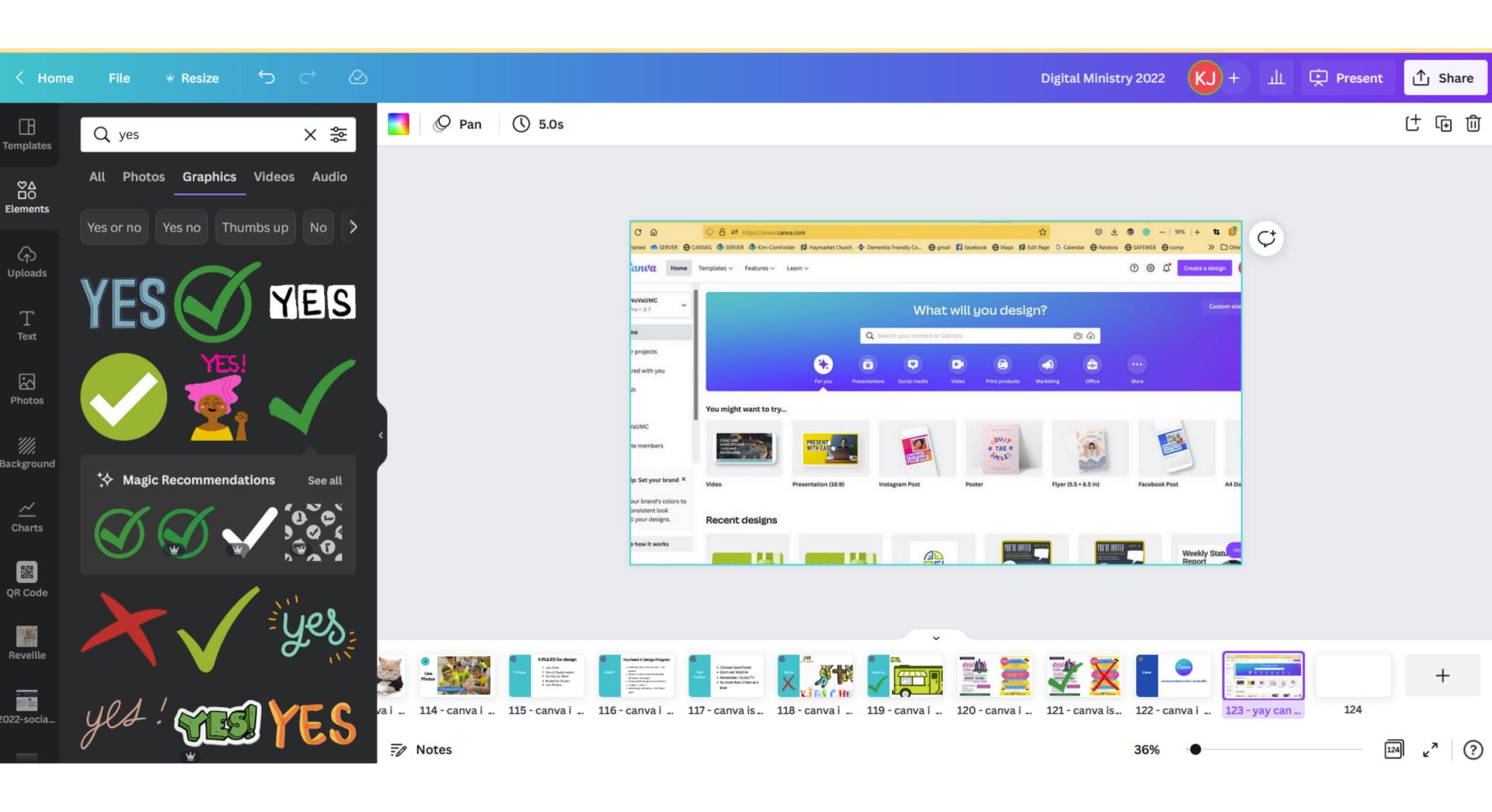


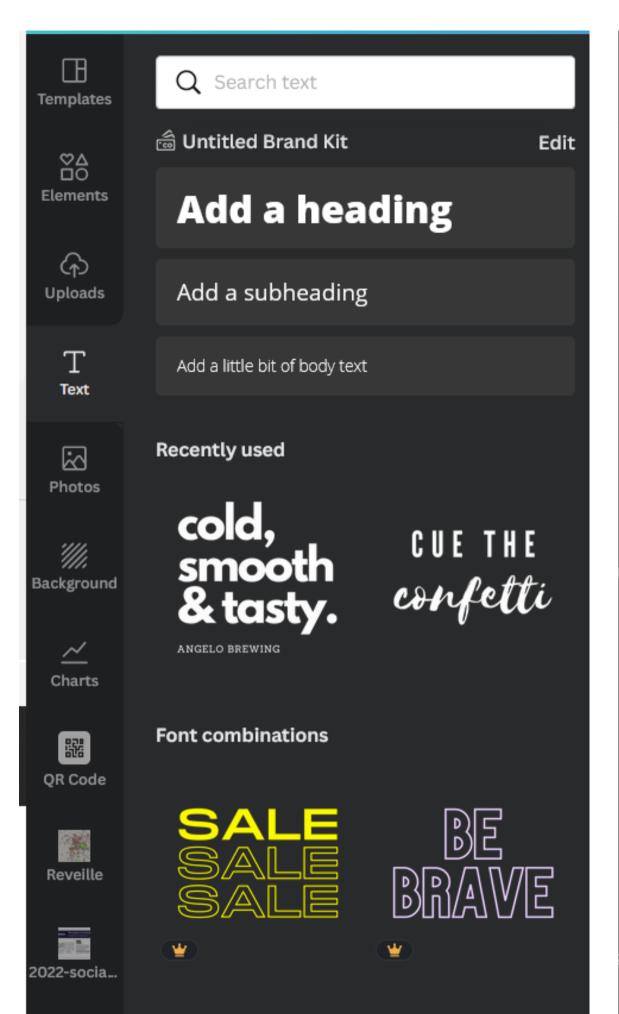
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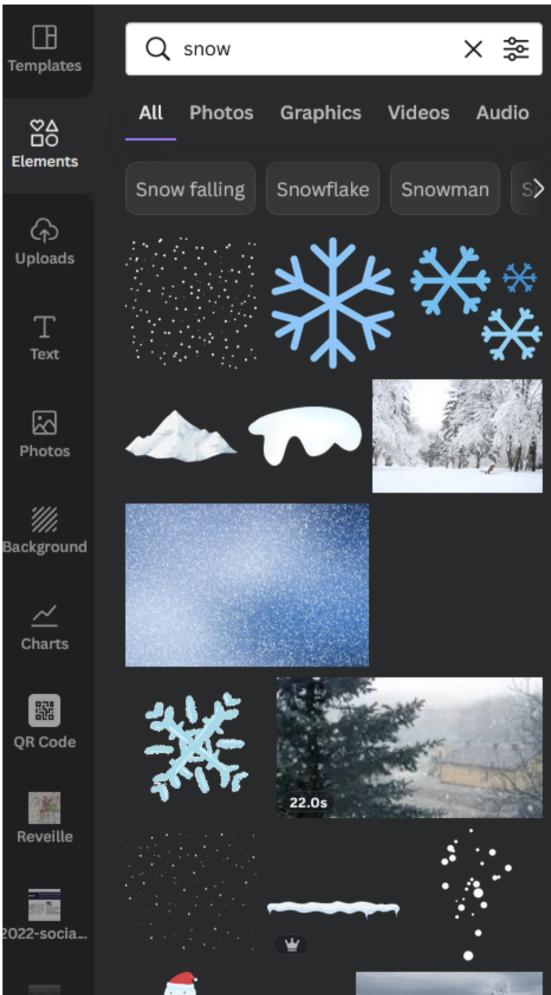


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Email
Marketing

How does your church send email?

When does your church send email?

Why does your church send email?

Life is VERY noisy! Don't just be part of the noise.



Time



You have only 3 - 4 seconds

That's how long it takes for the average person to decide whether or not to open an email



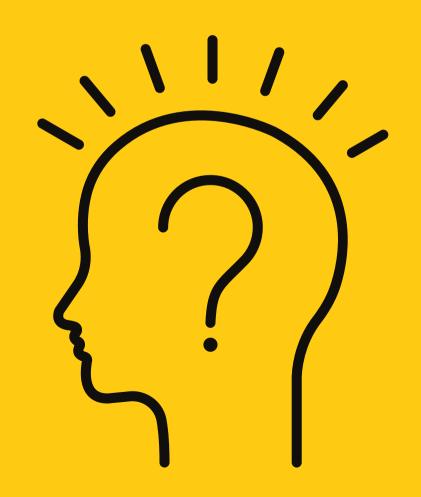
Use an Email Service

- MailChimp
- Constant Contact
- HubSpot
- Aweber
- Sendinblue
- MailPoet

do. your. homework.



Things to remember



- Segment your lists (kids, general)
- Be Consistent (same day/time)
- Create Urgency (good subject line)
- Must have an unsubscribe link
- Ask folks to subscribe
- Make sure it looks good on a phone!
- Less is more
- Sometimes images are turned off



texting is better



- It's 2022!
- Texting is better.
- People read in 3-5 seconds
- Pick a plan.
- Make sure people can reply
- Use keywords (text 'here' to this number)

TheEnd

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