

Volunteering: On the Move

From...

- Volunteering
- Serving from guilt, obligation
- Haphazard, stagnant, intermittent
- On our own

To...

- Serving Jesus
- Serving as God has designed/called us
- Intentional, joyful, impactful, faith-full
- Helping each other

Hey friends, ever wondered what a church – or any nonprofit – does when rates of volunteerism decline, as they have worldwide recently? The pandemic walloped the volunteerism world, but rates had been declining for years before that, due to our hectic schedules, work responsibilities, and the aging out of many senior volunteers. Some organizations cut back their services, some worry, but as St. Peter's volunteerism person for the past 16 years, I'm actually optimistic. God is still in charge. He still calls His people to serve. His people still care. They want to make an impact. But the "same old, same old" isn't going to work when it comes to volunteering. All of us need to rethink volunteering. In the video, I share my thoughts on what we need to move from and move to.

So let's talk about serving. I'll be talking to you in a series of articles over the next few months, but this needs to be a two-way conversation. So here's how you can talk to us.

- Respond to one or both of our survey questions [HERE](#): Thinking about serving, what would you like to see St. Peter move from or move to? What would you personally like to move from or move to?
- Share your thoughts by emailing Serving@FullLifeinChrist.org
- Talk to Karen in the lobby after each service this weekend, March 9 and 10
- Engage with us through the My Impact serving app.
Email Serving@FullLifeinChrist for an initial username and password.

What might your 'next step' be to move your own serving to a better place?

- Pray about what you might need or want to stop doing, or start doing.
- Jot down some reasons why you are or aren't volunteering right now.

