

Hospitality Seminar- Sunday February 1st

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CAT Survey

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A trained interpreter, provided by the Iowa Annual Conference, will guide the church through the preparation and administration of the CAT survey and present the detailed results to church leadership. The detailed report provides both the individual responses and a benchmarked comparison to other churches that have completed the survey recently. If you are interested in participating in the group that will oversee this process and ultimately brainstorm ministry ideas through the results please contact Pastor Michael at thepastor@spencergumc.com or fill out the below information and turn it into the office.

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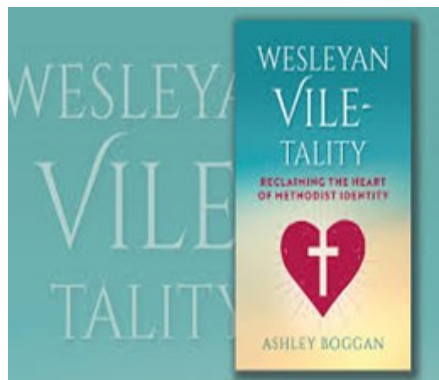
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