Developing Stories from Your Own Congregation
(Ask for permission to share the stories.)
List activities from church newsletter or bulletins for the month. Where is there a story?
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Ask the pastor: What is the most exciting thing to happen in your ministry in the past month?
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What committees are functioning in the church? Is there a story inside each one?
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Interview parishioners: children, new members, charter members, teens.
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Relating Resources to Your Congregation
Which stories can be easily understood?
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Which stories might carry your members beyond their current understanding of the Church’s mission?

Which stories especially match your congregation’s vision or mission?

Which stories best portray the depth of ministry the ELCA engages in?

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