Youth Newsletter

ZION LUTHERAN YOUTH

November Youth Newsletter

A chance to Serve

This month, the **Sr. High Youth (grades 9-12)** have the unique opportunity to participate in a **SleepOut.**

November 11-12.

Gustavus Adolphus College is hosting a night to live without a home and a chance for senior high students to learn about hunger and homelessness.

Aside from raising awareness, we will have the chance to learn how we can help and make a difference.

Come spend a night outside to raise awareness and learn about those who live without everyday.

Even one night that you go without can and will make a difference in the lives of those who suffer in our communities (state, country, and world).

The event will happen regardless of weather so dress appropriately!

Some Statistics

According to the Wilder study, Published May of 2010 with data from 2009-2010

- 3,600 people served in families headed by adults, including nearly 1,200 families and 2,200 minor children.

- 5,800 people served as individuals, including 350 unaccompanied youth, age 17 or younger.

2012 ELCA Youth Gathering Information/ Senior High Youth!

If you are going to the National Gathering, you should have received a postcard in the mail about an upcoming meeting on **November 2nd at 6:30pm.**

Starting on **November 6th**, we will be having a time of community, fellowship, and learning from **7-9pm on Sunday nights.**

All Senior High youth are invited, however, all youth attending the gathering in 2012 are required to attend this.

During these times we will be learning more about New Orleans and what it means to live as a "Citizen with Saints"

We will have some snacks, play some games, hang out, and most importantly, walk on a faith journey together.

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Special points of interest:

- *Check out the Youth website!*
- *Www.zionlutheranyouth.weebly.com*

Updated Weekly!

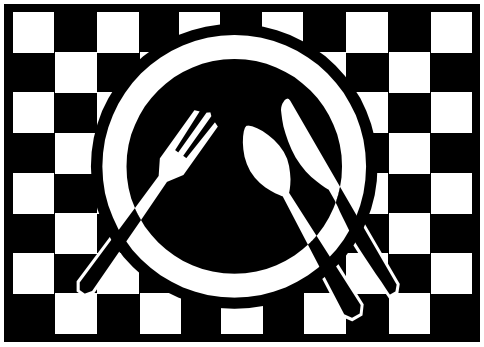
You can find forms and information here!

Meet and Eat

Parents and youth (6th-12th grade) are invited to join us for dinner every **Wednesday evening** starting at **5:30pm**.

Help bring the families of the Zion Lutheran congregation together for food and fellowship!

Parents, Please Sign up for a Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Court, including the meal you would like to provide. You may order the meal in, or prepare your own!



And, no need to worry about clean-up - Zion youth will help out with that.

Youth and Parents should sign up in the Fellowship Court by Monday to attend

Contact Breanne or Mindy if you have questions
693-3207

Middle School Hangout

All junior high youth (grades 6-8) are invited to come to Zion after school on Wednesdays for fun, fellowship, and food!

We will have a snack, play some games, and grow in community with another as we learn more about God and each other.

Don't forget to stick around afterwards for dinner and then Faith Generation Choir!

Faith Generation is a middle school choir that practices Wednesday at 6pm. Please contact Missy Brock if you have any questions

Contact Bre if you would like your 6th, 7th, or 8th grader to attend Middle School Hangout.

Devotion, Prayer, and Bible Study Resources

Trying to accomplish a daily scripture reading on top of school activities, sports, homework, and friends can sound like a daunting task.

But in less than 5 minutes, I guarantee you can feed your spirit with prayer and scripture or words of encouragement.

Some websites I like to look at are Faith Lens through the ELCA and d365.org.

Or, if you want some book ideas, check the table in the Fellowship Court. I also have some short devotions in a binder you may borrow.

Listen to a song that reaches out to your spirit, state of mind, or emotion at the time. After listening, or while, write down what goes through your head.

Check out the lectionary at http://www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Worship/Lectionary.aspx

Read the Gospel text that will be taught on Sunday, and see what speaks to you.

Then, simply pray the Lord's Prayer .

Less than 5 minutes or more than 15. You get to choose.