

# Youth and Family Ministries

December 2017

## Quick Reference

We welcome God's children of all ages to join us in worship on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 or on Sunday mornings at 8:30.

Sunday School meets on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45. Except when otherwise noted on the Sunday School calendar. Children beginning 4K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade from our church and community are welcome to participate in Sunday School.

Confirmation Classes meet on Wednesday nights. Classes begin at 6:15 and end at 7:30 unless otherwise noted on the syllabus. Students are welcome to enroll as early as 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Our Confirmation program is a 3 year program that combines study of scripture, faith application, prayer, worship, discipleship, and fellowship.

JR Youth Fellowship is open to children from 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade. JR Youth meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet after Sunday School until noon, except when they have special activities or events planned.

SR Youth Fellowship welcomes youth from 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade. SR Youth Fellowship meets once a month from September-May. They generally meet on Sunday evenings at 6:30pm, except when they have special activities or events planned.

Sticky Faith is a ministry for intergenerational faith formation and fellowship that happens 3 times during the program year. Sticky Faith is open to all. Children may attend without parents when they are in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade-12<sup>th</sup> grade.  
**ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!**



## Christmas Caroling December 10 4-6pm

There is something special about this Christmas tradition that warms the heart. Join in the fun! We'll leave the church at 4pm and meet up at Culver's after we've sung our hearts out ☺



## Salem's All Church Christmas Program

### Dec 17 at 9am



Our intergenerational faith formation ministry meets next on December 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30. We will share a meal, have our Christmas fellowship celebration (bring a white elephant gift), and have a worship experience together.

All ages are welcome! Youth 3rd grade and younger must be accompanied by an adult.



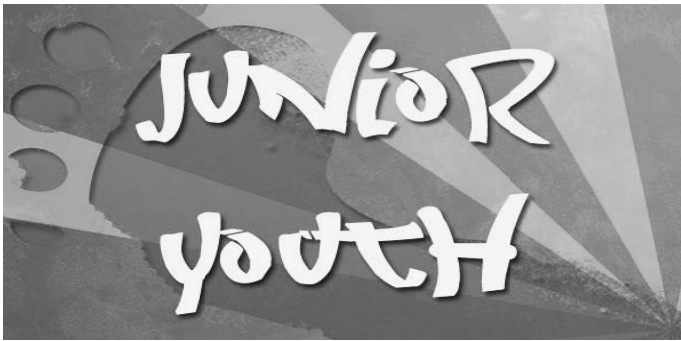
## Called 2 Serve

Our 2018 Back Bay Mission Team is forming now. If you are interested in joining us please contact Marsha (or any other member of the mission team) and ask to be added to our team. We are currently working on raising funds for our 2018 trip.

There are many opportunities for all ages and ability levels. If going is not an option for you, we invite you to pray for Back Bay Mission and our team, to help with fundraisers, and support our fundraisers.

Individual Mission team participants cover their own travel, housing, and evening meal expenses. Our team raises money for group expenses (work day meals, rental cars, fuel, parking, etc.) and to take a donation to support the ministries of Back Bay Mission on behalf of the church.

We welcome new team members. We have 20 spaces reserved for our upcoming trip.... Reserve yours today! Join us serving our neighbors on the Mississippi Gulf coast!



JR Youth Fellowship's next meeting will be on January 14 right after Sunday School (10:45am) until noon.

Students 3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join in the fun. We hope to see you there!

We will begin working on our plans for the Hugs N Cookies sale.

Great job on the Salvation Army Christmas Box food drive! We received all of the items needed AND had an extra \$50 to give the Salvation Army from the cash donations we received. 😊



#### Retreat Dates Set

The retreat scheduled for March 2-4, 2018 at Pilgrim Center worked best for most families. Remember that each student needs to attend at least 1 Confirmation retreat during the 3 years of study. The signup sheet is on the Confirmation bulletin board. Signup deadline is Jan 1. Payment deadline is Feb 1. Registration is done online. I'll send an email link to those that have signed up.

#### Christmas Break

We do not have Confirmation class on Dec 27.

#### YR 3 Field Trip

The Year 3 class is taking their annual field trip to the funeral home on Jan 17 as a part of our death and dying unit. Permission slips are available on the Confirmation bulletin board and need to be turned in by 12/20.

#### Extravagant Generosity Workshop

Our second and final workshop for the school year is scheduled for Jan 24. The topic will be extravagant generosity. Workshops run during normal class times (6:15-7:30pm) and are required.

If ever you are unsure of what's coming up in the Confirmation program, please utilize our church's website. The Confirmation Calendar as well as upcoming permission slips and other pertinent information can be found there. Our website is [salemuccplywi.org](http://salemuccplywi.org)



**OUR NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 14**

**FROM 6-7:30PM**

**STUDENTS 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> GRADES ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US AND BE A PART OF THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

We will be working on:

- Reviewing our Bridgeway Ministry visit and plan
- Reviewing our Christmas Cookie Bake Sale
- Making plan for Regional Youth Event



## NEWS!

Extended Rehearsal on Dec 10 from 9:45-11:45!

Please plan to be there for the rehearsal, it's important for the kids to be confident and prepared.

All Church Christmas Program is Dec 17 at 9am

Sunday School is on Christmas break 12/24 and 12/31 Take the time to enjoy the Christmas season with your family. We look forward to seeing you in worship 😊

Sunday School will be back in session on Jan 7<sup>th</sup>.



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### Christmas Cookie Bake Sale

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>

In the gathering area after worship

Stock up on Christmas goodies!

Sponsored by SR Youth Fellowship

Donations of cookies, bars, candy, etc. are appreciated.

Please bring items to church by Saturday, Dec 2 from 2-4pm

## Acolyte Ministry Schedule

12/3	8:30am	Josiah Gundersen
12/10	8:30am	Alison Matzdorf
12/17	8:30am	Magnus Blad
12/24	8:30am	Lena Schoenefeld
12/24	4:30pm	Gabe Hengst
12/24	10:00pm	Sam Meyer
12/31	8:30am	Aubrey Fischer
1/7	8:30am	Haylen Odekirk
1/14	8:30am	Ali Pilling
1/21	8:30am	Hunter Bubb
1/28	8:30 am	Carter Pratt



### Save the Date

### March 16-18

Due to a date conflict, we are making plans for an alternate retreat weekend than previously communicated.

Please sign up in the Gathering Area to indicate your interest so that we can plan for the size of our group.