

# Youth and Family Ministries

February 2018

## 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 from 6-7:30pm

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!

For additional information about any youth and family ministries program or event, please contact Marsha Meyer at [marsha@salemuccplywi.org](mailto:marsha@salemuccplywi.org) or call the church office 892-7456.

## Acolyte Ministry Schedule

1/28	8:30am	Carter Pratt
2/4	8:30am	Lilly Fontany
2/11	8:30am	Jaiden Krueger
2/14	7:00pm	Chase Markus
2/18	8:30am	Deegan Schilder
2/25	8:30am	Katy Fischer
3/4	8:30am	Lucas Guillette



There are a few dates to mark on your calendar!

3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades will be singing with the choir in worship on Feb 18<sup>th</sup>

4k-2<sup>nd</sup> grades will be singing in worship on Feb 25<sup>th</sup>

ALSO, there has been a change to the calendar; there will be NO Sunday School on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. (That is the Sunday following the rummage sale)

Youth Sunday is May 20



### Retreat Dates Set

Families that signed up have been emailed a link to register for the Confirmation Retreat at Pilgrim Center March 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>. Payment deadline is Feb 1. Contact Marsha if you have questions.

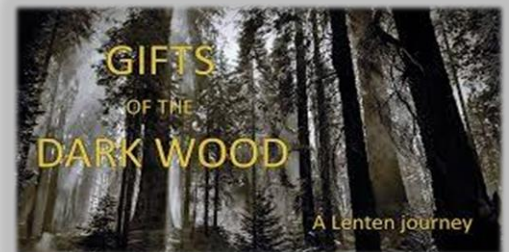
### Lent is quickly approaching...

We will be joining the rest of the congregation in the Lenten study *Gifts of the Dark Wood*.

### Note that the study begins at 6pm.

Confirmation students will have many opportunities and options to help with various parts of worship during Lent. Make sure to sign up where you would like to participate.

If ever you are unsure of what's coming up in the Confirmation program, please check on 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)

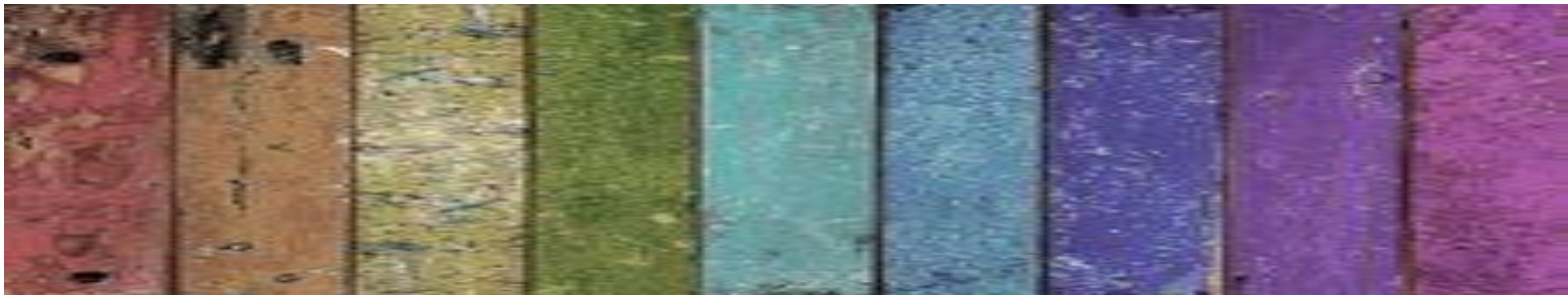


### A LENTEN STUDY & WORSHIP SERIES FOR SOULFUL SKEPTICS AND OTHER WANDERERS

Time of study offered on Wednesdays at 10am and 6pm in the library

Contact the church office to reserve a copy of the book

Worship series begins on Feb 14 at 7pm on Wednesday evenings through Lent



JR Youth Fellowship's next meeting will be on March 11<sup>th</sup> right after Sunday School (10:45am) until noon.

**Notes from our last meeting:**

Present: Chase Markus, Maddy Pratt, Ethan Feldner, Sam Meyer, Josiah Gundersen, Carter Pratt, Jaiden Krueger, Hannah Velier, Delaney Fischer, Aubrey Fischer, Katy Fischer, and Lena Schoenefeld.

Aubrey led us in devotions. We talked about our successful Salvation Army Christmas food drive. We planned for our upcoming Hugs N Cookies fundraiser. Sam & Lena volunteered to take orders on Jan 21. Marsha will send out an email to parents for kids to sign up to help take orders and also for helping to bake cookies on Feb 10 from 3-6pm, and to help with deliveries following worship on Saturday, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>. We talked about our next mission project. We would like to create personal hygiene bags to accompany the mats that will be taken to Back Bay Mission in May. We will begin promoting that following the Hugs N Cookies project. We thought that items such as: t shirt bags, tooth brushes, tooth paste (we could ask at local dentist offices for donations), no perishable snacks, socks, tissues, lotion and breathe mints or lifesavers, and Chap Stick would be good items to ask for. We will celebrate the end of our Hugs N Cookies project by going tubing at Sunburst on Feb 11 instead of having a meeting.



SR Youth Fellowship's next meeting will be March 11<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30pm.

**Notes from our last meeting:**

Present: Cora Meyer, Karlee Hartmann, Lauren Bunyea, Morgan Clarke, Cassie Clarke, Megan Fontany

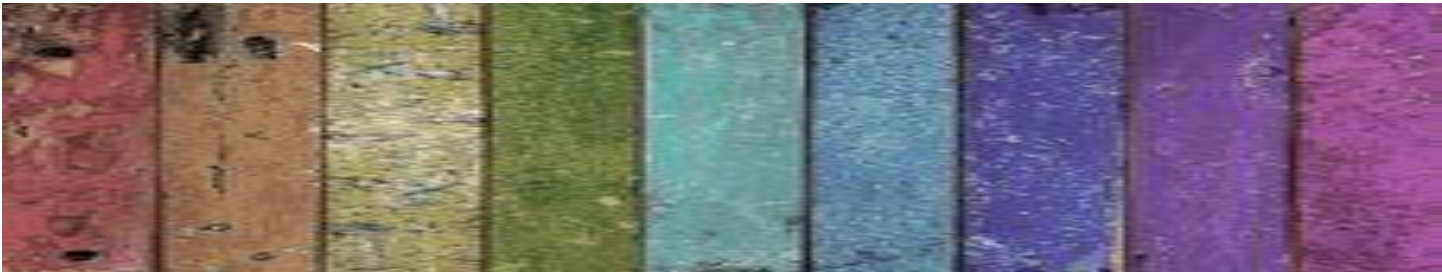
Cassie read our devotions. We talked about tubing on Feb 11, a signup sheet and permission slips will be posted on the bulletin board. We talked about starting a monthly Bridgeway Ministry connection. Marsha will contact Claudette about what needs they have and how we can help. We decided to host a brat fry on March 24 as a fundraiser for Regional Youth Event (we will also plan to sell leftovers after church on Sunday). We are thinking about what else would be a good partner activity to go with our brat fry that would draw in more people. We'll talk more about that next time. RYE is July 5-8, we will plan to stay in Chicago for an additional evening and return to Plymouth on July 9 late in the day. We agreed to handle the message portion of the Youth Sunday service highlighting our trip to Minneapolis this past summer and sharing the ways we look forward to representing Salem as disciples of Jesus Christ in the world.



Our intergenerational faith formation ministry meets next on April 11 at 5:30. We will share a meal, a fellowship activity and have a worship experience together.

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





## It's Pizza Sale Time!



We'll be taking orders until **Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**

If you'd like to sell pizzas to family & friends, please take an order form from the Gathering area. If you'd like to place an order for yourself, please fill out the envelope order form in the Gathering area.

Pizzas can be picked up on **Feb 17** at noon

Help is needed making pizzas on **Feb 17**; please sign up in the Gathering area so we know we can count on you 😊



March 16-18

Sign up in the Gathering Area



Join us on

*April 11*

*5:30-7:30pm*

*For a workshop exploring one of the Five Practices:*

*Extravagant Generosity*

## JR Youth Fellowship presents



## Hugs & Cookies

For just \$1 you can send a hug and a cookie to your valentine, your friends, or family!

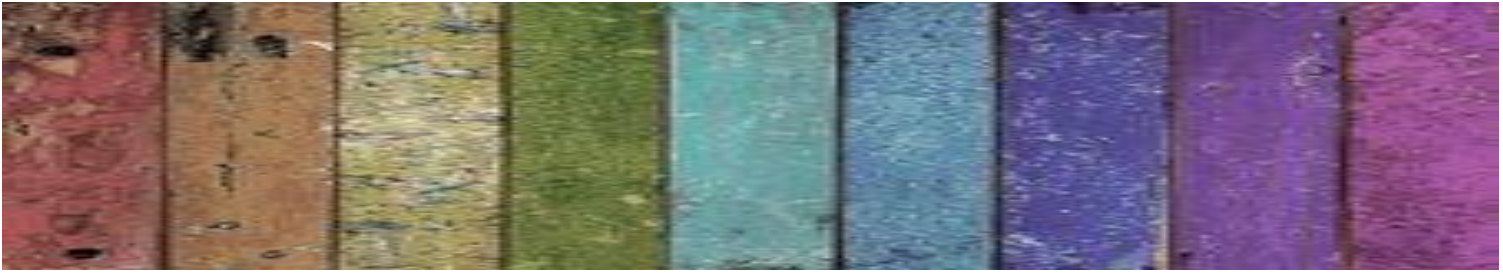
Recipients receive a hug and a homemade cookie made by Salem's JR Youth Fellowship.

Hugs & Cookies will be delivered following worship on Feb 10 & 11

So make your list and place your order.

Deadline for ordering is Feb 5.

😊 Thank you for your support! 😊



## **Tubing Outing**

**(For families, JR or SR Youth)**

**Feb 11**

**11am-3:45pm**

**at Sunburst**

**\$15 per person**

**Signup deadline is Feb 4**



## ***Fat Tuesday Chicken & Bingo Dinner***

***Feb 13 at 6pm***

***Salem UCC***

***217 Salem Drive, Plymouth***

***Advance tickets only***

***\$10 for adults***

***\$5 for kids 5-10***

***Kids 4 and under free***

***Dinner at 6***

***Serving:***

***Roasted Chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, salad and dessert***

***Bingo to follow***

***Tickets available at:***

***Salem UCC church office***

# **MISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES**

**A SOFT PLACE TO REST: HOMELESS MATS PROJECT**

We will be beginning another way to support the ministry at Back Bay Mission. Join us in making sleeping mats that will be given to the homeless men and women in Biloxi. Here's how YOU can help:

1. Save your plastic shopping bags and bring them to church
2. Come and help repurpose the bags into plarn for making the mats on Wednesdays at 4pm beginning Jan 31<sup>st</sup>.
3. Volunteer to knit, weave, or crochet a 4x6 foot mat with the plarn we create. (See Marsha if you can help in this way AND/OR if you're willing to teach others how to knit, crochet, weave the mats, too.)