

Youth and Family Ministries

November 2018

Ongoing Opportunities

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 6th 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 7th 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 3rd-6th 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 7th – 12th grade. SR Youth 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 3rd grade-12th grade.

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!

A Learning Community for all ages meets on Sunday mornings at 10am in the church library. All are welcome!

For additional information about any youth and family ministries program or event, please contact Marsha Meyer at marsha@saalemuccplywi.org or call the church office 892-7456.



Please mark your calendars for the Confirmation Retreat @ Pilgrim Center March 1-3, 2019. Each Confirmand needs to attend at least one retreat before they are confirmed, but they are welcome to attend as many times as they wish. (Even after you are confirmed, too... 😊) The Northeast Association offers a \$50 scholarship to each participant; Salem offers a \$50 scholarship (thanks to the church camp scholarship fund). The remaining balance is the responsibility of the families (\$98). Faith in Action Funds can be used and fundraisers are also an option to help cover the costs.

Parents, faith mentors, and friends, know that you are WELCOME to join us at any event or class.

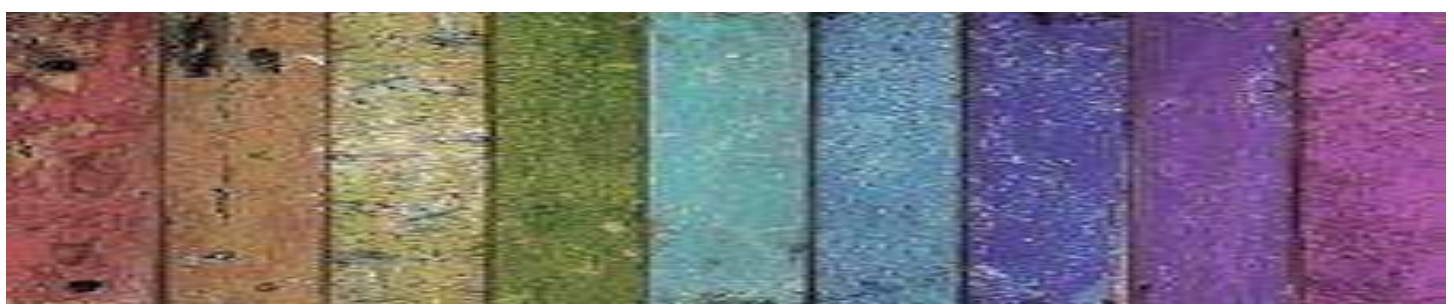
What's coming up in Confirmation?

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| Oct 31 | Year 3 Serving at the Gathering (2:45-7:30pm)
Years 1&2 Class (6:15-7:30pm) |
| Nov 7 | Class (6:15-7:30pm) |
| Nov 14 | Class (6:15-7:30pm) |
| Nov 21 | Thanksgiving Eve Worship (7pm) |
| Nov 28 | Sticky Faith-Passionate Worship (5:30-7:30pm) |
| Dec 5 | Class (6:15-7:30pm) |
| Dec 12 | Year 3 Mentor Meal (5:30pm)
Class (6:15-7:30pm)
WORKBOOK CHECK bring your workbook to class for updating |

Confirmation students are encouraged to join us for SR Youth Fellowship. We meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month from 6-7:30pm.



Our intergenerational faith formation ministry is back this fall! Our next Sticky Faith night is on **November 28 from 5:30-7:30pm**. As always there will be a meal to share, fellowship, learning opportunities, and a nontraditional worship experience. We look forward to seeing you there! All are welcome!



Acolyte Schedule for November:

- 11/4 Haylen Odekirk
- 11/11 Magnus Blad
- 11/18 Aubrey Fischer
- 11/21 Sam Meyer
- 11/25 Gabe Hengst
- 12/2 Katy Fischer
- 12/9 Ali Pilling
- 12/16 Carter Pratt

Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early for worship and see the head usher for assistance if you need help.

If you are unable to acolyte on the day you are on the schedule, please contact someone to switch and notify the office of any changes to the schedule as your name appears in the bulletin.



A group for youth grades 7-12

October was a bust month for SR Youth. Some of us participated in the mobile pack for Feed My Starving Children at St Paul's in Sheboygan Falls. We lifted up our intention to participate to the congregation and asked for donations to help us meet our \$400 donation goal. We received \$338 in donations and used SRYF funds to cover the rest. We met on October 14 to plan and prepare the message portion of the service for Children's Sabbath weekend. Cassie spoke about her experience at National Youth Event (2016), Cora spoke about the service trip to Minneapolis (2017) and Bridgeway (ongoing), Morgan spoke about Regional Youth Event (2018), and Karlee spoke about Feed My Starving Children (ongoing). Children's Sabbath weekend was held Oct 20 & 21. Members of SRYF delivered the message. Worship went well. Thanks to all who participated.

We talked about participating in General Synod in Milwaukee in June 2019. Marsha applied for a grant to help with costs that may be associated with going.

Our next meeting date is Sunday, November 11 at 6pm.

Plans continue for our Mystery Night on November 23rd. A signup sheet is posted on the Youth Fellowship bulletin board. Signup deadline is November 11 so the adults can plan activities that will work for our group's size.



December 9 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 ☺

Take time to BE STILL this



More details in next month's Chimes.



A group for youth grades 3-6

JRYF met on October 14 for a bowling party and lunch. The boys played on one lane and the girls on the other. The rumors are true:

Lena did beat Marsha ☺



We were disappointed that we weren't able to participate in the Feed My Starving Children mobile pack (age requirements). We hope to do a day trip this to volunteer at one of their permanent sites in Chicago this winter. More bad news: The Salvation Army is not doing Christmas meal boxes this year. At our next meeting we will be exploring an option to serve as our next mission project and will begin looking for ways to promote it to the congregation and community. Join us on Nov 11 to learn more about it! We will plan to play kickball after our learning project if the weather permits. Please dress accordingly!

Join us, if you can!

children's sabbath

Thank you to all who participated in Children's Sabbath Worship! Everyone did a great job! It was a wonderful reflection of the ministry we have built together. Thank you for joining in!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Children's Sabbath was GREAT! Good job to all who participated! It was great to see all the energy that children and youth bring to the life of the church. Well done. ☺

Parents of 3rd-6th graders, please be sure to take note of the updated acolyte schedule posted on the Sunday School bulletin board. Paper copies were sent home with students, extras are available if you need one. Also, if your son or daughter missed the acolyte workshop and/or would like to go over the responsibilities again, please contact me and we can set aside a time to walk through it so that they are confident when their turn comes.

Music rehearsals for the All Church Christmas Program (planned for Dec 16 at 9am) will begin this Sunday. Speaking parts will be determined soon. Please contact Marsha if your son/daughter is interested in having a speaking part.

White Gift Sunday will be held on December 2nd. Gifts will go to Bridgeway House in Sheboygan. See their complete wish list online at: <http://www.sheboygancountyinterfaith.org/in-kind-donations.html>

A complete list is also posted on the Sunday School bulletin board.

If you have any questions about our Sunday School program, please contact Mary Mullen (920-420-1413) or Marsha (920-892-0115)



The First Christmas

All Church Christmas Program

Dec 16 at 9am

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YOU
so
much

Thank you to all who supported SRYF Feed My Starving Children Team with your prayers and donations. We were able to fulfill our commitment of a \$400 donation to cover the cost of the meals we packed!

Thank you to all participants of Children's Sabbath and to the congregation for being a welcoming community of faith for young people to grow and lead in ministries in the life of the church.

Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack Pictures

