

# Youth & Family Ministries

MAY 2019

### 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 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  $7^{th} - 12^{th}$  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 throughout 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 or call the church office 892-7456.



Salem is looking to gather a group together to participate in the Community Worship and Street Festival at General Synod on Sunday, June 23. We would likely leave the church at 1pm and return around 9pm. It is FREE to attend General Synod on Sunday. A Community Worship service is planned for 2:30pm and street festival to follow. Signup in the Gathering Area if you're interested in going so we can gage interest and coordinate transportation.



Acolyte Schedule for May:

4/28 Haylen Odekirk 5/5 Magnus Blad 5/12 Aubrey Fischer 5/19 Zoey Meinnert 5/26 Gabe Hengst 6/2 Katy Fischer 6/9 Ali Pilling

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.





Confirmation Orientation is planned for incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students on May 22 at 6:15pm. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend.



A group for youth grades 3-6

JRYF will meet on April 28 for a Bingo service project and to see Breakthrough at the movie theater in Sheboygan.

We will close our Sunday School year with a day trip to Blue Harbor on Sunday, May 19. So mark your calendar and plan to join us! Cost to participate is 20 per person. This includes lunch and the waterpark pass. Snacks are on your own. Signup on the youth fellowship bulletin board by May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Our Chicago trip to visit Feed My Starving Children is planned for Saturday, June 1. We plan to volunteer at Feed My Starving Children in the morning and go to a nearby trampoline park in the afternoon. More details will be available as the date gets closer. The cost is \$50 per person; signup deadline is May 5<sup>th</sup>.

#### What's coming up at a glance:

4/28 Bingo & Movie field trip 5/19 Youth Sunday & Blue Harbor Day 6/1 JRYF Chicago Day Trip

Join us, if you can! We'd love to have you be a part of JR Youth!



#### A group for youth grades 7-12

We hosted a meal share at Bridgeway House on April 9th. Due to spring sports and dance rehearsals, SR youth sent adults to cook and serve the meal in their place. Thank you to Linda Bosman, Alayne Bosman, and Marsha Meyer for helping us fulfill our commitment to Bridgeway.

SRYF is meeting on April 28th from 4-7:30pm for dinner and a movie at the Meyers home in Glenbeulah (123 E Main Street). Contact Marsha if you need a ride.

We'll be wrapping up our Spring Plant Sale this week. Thank you to all who have placed orders for plants and vouchers. Those proceeds will help us get closer to our Louisville work trip goals for this summer.

Here's what we've got coming up:

Youth Sunday is planned for May 19th. Save the date and plan to participate. More details soon!

We are celebrating the end of the school year with a Blue Harbor field trip on Sunday, May 19. Cost is \$20 per person this includes lunch and a waterpark pass. Sign up deadline is May 12th.

The Northeast Association is offering lodging and registration scholarships for youth attending General Synod June 21-25. Let's plan to discuss at our movie night on April 28th.

Our next meeting is Sunday, April 28 at 4pm at the Meyers home. Join us, if you can! We'd love to have you be a part of SR Youth!



Youth Fun day at **Blue Harbor** May 19 JR&SR Youth fellowship (including incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> graders for the 2018/2019 school year) are invited to join your church friends at Blue Harbor for a youth fun day. Signup, permission slip and \$20 fee is due on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Right after Sunday School and plan to return to church for pickup at 4:30pm.



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

#### As we wrap up

What's coming up in Confirmation?

Thank you for your participation in our Lenten study and worship. If you have not already done so, please return your 5 Practices of Fruitful Congregations book to the church office.

Year 1&2 students are asked to help serve for the cake reception following the Rite of Confirmation on May 5<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up on the Confirmation bulletin board so we know we can count on you. Cake is provided by the year 3 confirmands. Any mom's/dad's able to help coordinate that event?

#### Confirmation Calendar at a Glance

April 24 Year 1&2 field trip, workbook check Year 3 Workbooks due

May 5 Rite of Confirmation in Worship Year 1&2 host cake reception after worship May 19 Youth Sunday & Blue Harbor Day Trip



## UCC Church Camp

Why not go to Pilgrim Center or Moon Beach and experience one of our wonderful UCC Church camps this summer?

There are camps for children, families, grandparent and me, teens, and adults.

Salem does have scholarships available for half of the fee up to \$100; contact the church office for more details. The Northeast Association also offers scholarships for summer camps. Contact Marsha if you have questions about attending church camp.



How can we be nearing the end of the school year already? Life keeps moving full steam ahead!

The children continue to work with Molly on various music pieces that the kids look forward to sharing with you in worship soon. Here are the dates the kids are singing in worship:

> May 5 (for Confirmation) May 19 (Youth Sunday)

For each of the above dates, please plan to be at church at 8:10 so we can get warmed up and practice. Thank you for your help and support of the children's music ministry at Salem. O

Youth Sunday is planned for Sunday, May 19 during worship at 8:30am. Contact Marsha if you have a son/daughter that is interested in helping to lead worship!

Children entering 3<sup>rd</sup> grade next fall are welcome to join the rest of our youth fellowship for our day trip to Blue Harbor on May 19 (after Sunday School) until 4:30pm. The cost is \$20 per person and the signup deadline is May 5<sup>th</sup>. It's a great opportunity to see how and what we do as a part of youth fellowship (that they will be invited to be a part of in the fall) and to enjoy a day of fun as we celebrate close of another school year. Contact Marsha if you have any questions.

If you have any questions about our Sunday School program, please contact Mary Mullen (920-420-1413) or Marsha (920-892-7456)



On June 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be honoring all 2019 graduates in worship. If you or someone you know is graduating this spring (high school, college, tech school) please submit a photo and brief biography to the church office as soon as possible. Thank you.