

Youth Ministry Opportunities Within Our Synod

www.nemnsynod.org/youth

Events for Youth

Middle School Gathering (Grades 6-9)

The Middle School Gathering gathers young people to grow in their faith by focusing on common confirmation teachings presented in a unique way. The event includes large group assemblies with a keynote speaker and band, learning clusters (small group learning), family time (time to meet with your church group), hotel life, and worship.

Cardia Deo (Grades 9-12)

As Christians, we are *Called, Gathered, Equipped and Sent* to be the Heart of God (*Cardia Deo*) in the world. Bible studies led by the LYO Board, servant learning, worship, mystery event, camp life, and an adult track led by the retreat chaplain all make this a deeply meaningful, fun and faith-nurturing event.

Synod Journey to the ELCA Youth Gathering (Grades 9-12 at time of registration)

The Synod Journey is a year long event that prepares adult leaders and their groups for the ELCA Youth Gathering. All logistical details are taken care of for you (transportation, housing, etc.) and the Journey includes servant events, worship, and group activities on the way to the Gathering.

Leadership Development and Faith Formation

Discipleship Challenge

Free resources to help congregations members wonder about faith, following Jesus, and living into new ways of ministry.

Practice Discipleship

The NE MN Synod Practice Discipleship Team is available to come to your congregation/area to help you WONDER about faith and ministry.

LYO Board (Grades 9-11 at time of application, and adults)

LYO Board members are a select group of high school youth and adults who plan and implement the Middle School Gathering and Cardia Deo Retreat. Youth members are required to attend a week-long training retreat, and attend several meetings throughout the year. Application are posted in December and applications are due February 15.

Fall Theological Conference

Open to rostered leaders (Pastors, AiMs, Deaconesses), Synodically Authorized Ministers, Seminarian Interns, and Directors of Youth and Family Ministry. Theological teaching from renowned speakers, networking, worship and renewal.

Communication

Facebook Group

Join the "Northeastern Minnesota Synod, ELCA" Facebook Group to stay current with synod youth ministry events, news, and resources.

Youth E-Chat

Youth E-Chat is the primary communication tool to share youth ministry events and resources in and beyond our synod. To be added to the list, email your name, church and church city to: Catherine.Anderson@nemnsynod.org

Website

Details on all these events and more can be found at www.nemnsynod.org/youth

Mark Your Calendars for 2016-2017!

Sept. 25-27, 2016:

Fall Theological Conference

Nov. 18-19 & 19-20,

2016: Middle School Gathering

Jan. 20-23, 2017:

ELCA Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza in Louisville, KY

Feb. 15, 2017:

LYO Applications Due

Feb. 11, 2017

Recharge!

March 3-5, 2017:

Cardia Deo



Looking ahead to 2018:

June 22—July 2:

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Youth Ministry Opportunities Beyond Our Synod

January 20-23, 2017

The Galt House Hotel—Louisville, Kentucky

The Extravaganza is a powerful 4-day conference for renewal, education and networking. It is the premier event of the ELCA for adults who work with children, youth, young adult and families, and gathers 750-1000 leaders each year. It is for the professional and the volunteer. It is for the old and the young. It is for the urban, the suburban and the rural. It is for pastors, it is for laypeople. It is for all who share in the adventure we call children, youth and family ministry.



www.elcaymnet.org/ext17

the elca **NETWORK**
children, youth & family ministry

The ELCA Youth Ministry Network seeks to provide opportunities for spiritual renewal, continuing education and networking for adults who work with children, youth and families in congregations.

www.elcaymnet.org



Practice Discipleship provides free resources for adults working with children, youth and families to develop as leaders for the sake of faith formation in their ministry settings.

www.practicediscipleship.org


RECHARGE
A MINISTRY OF youth leadership

February 11, 2017

Duluth, MN

RECHARGE is a one-day multi-denominational children's and youth ministry conference that aims to inspire and equip church staff and volunteers in their efforts to share their faith with the next generation.

www.ministryrecharge.com