

JULY 2020 ISSUE 3

LIVING FAITH

LOTM'S YOUTH AND FAMILY NEWSLETTER

IN THIS ISSUE:

Learn about what activities and events are going on for the month of July and get an idea of what direction the youth and family program is headed. This issue will shift towards current happenings and have less of the "practicing faith at home aspect."

JULY DAY CAMPS

What: Instead of having the weeklong Rainbow Trail Camp that has been done previously, the camp has been adapted to shorter day "camps" that will be offered once a week in July. The max number per day will be 10 kids. Masks will only be required for staff and volunteers.

Who: any children ages 5-12ish

Time: 9-11:30am

Dates: July 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th (all of the days are Thursdays)

Where: LOTM (outside weather permitting)

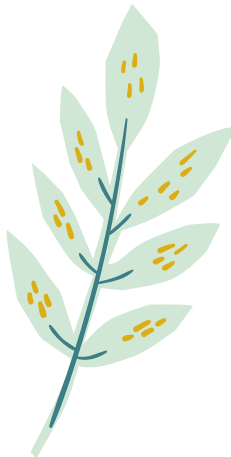
How to Sign Up: The sign up sheet will be in the narthex. You can also email and we will sign you up if that isn't possible.



YOUTH AND FAMILY PROGRAM MISSION:

As a team, we would like to share our joint mission statement for the upcoming season so you know what big picture direction we are headed!

1. Establish relationships with youth and families to help connect them to LOTM activities.
2. Build instruction that gives continuity of Christian formation for youth and families and provides ease of access for teachers and volunteers.
3. Encourage the church community to build into kids so ultimately they feel safe and loved by God.



VOLUNTEER INTEREST

Are you interested in volunteering with the youth and family program? We need you! Inter-generational connections are vital to a child's growth along with the influence of different genders. Even if you don't feel like you are the "kid type," there is something for you to offer (and you probably are a "kid type" anyway)! Please go to the sign up sheet in the narthex to look at upcoming volunteer opportunities and sign up! If that isn't possible you can email us and we will sign you up.



Christian Formation Continuity

Starting soon, the children's sermons will no longer match up with the lectionary. In Sunday School, a progressive Christian curriculum called "Inner Wisdom Series: Spiritual Curriculum for Young Hearts and Minds" will be used during ordinary time and the kid's sermon will be the intro story to what they will learn about in Sunday School. This will provide continuity for kids and provide parents the opportunity to hear the story and main idea that kids will be engaging with. That way, families will have more to discuss throughout the week at home!



LOOKING AHEAD:

At the end of the day camps, there will be a community celebration! This will be a time to enjoy a meal together and hear about the camp and what kids learned, and maybe hear a song or two. This will also be a lead into bi-monthly community dinners that will be starting soon thereafter. Everyone is invited. Further info about signing up etc. is forthcoming.

Date: August 4th

Time: 5-7pm

Where: LOTM
(outdoors if possible)



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