

## **Youth and Family Coordinator Report – June 13, 2018**

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### **ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston, TX**

- We leave for Houston on June 24! It is coming up quickly, but I believe we are well prepared and have a great group of people to travel with.
- We will have/have had (depending on when you read this) our last group meeting on June 10 at 11:30. Kids receive their t-shirts and go over last-minute details before we leave!

### **Day Camp**

- Day Camp will be from June 18-21. We have 4 counselors coming from Sugar Creek Bible Camp to lead this.
- We have 32 registered for Day Camp!
- We have many volunteers housing the counselors, feeding them lunch and dinner, and bringing snacks for all of the Day Camp and VBS kids.
- There will be a Day Camp and VBS Program at Viking Memorial on Thursday, June 21 at 7:00 (rain location – sanctuary).

### **VBS**

- VBS will also be from June 18-21.
- Our theme for VBS 2018 will be Cave Quest, where our 3-5 year olds will understand that Jesus is their light!
- We have 22 signed up for VBS!
- Volunteers teaching VBS include Jenny St. Mary, Betty Johnson, Jean Ellingson, Maggie Lile, and Ella Wennes.

### **Confirmation Camp**

- While you're at your council meeting, 12 7<sup>th</sup> graders and I will be at Good Earth Village for Confirmation Camp! We can't wait to tell you all about it when we return.
- Our confirmation camp curriculum will focus on faith and science and how they work together!

### **Senior High Youth Group – 3:16s**

- 3:16s has a new meeting time for the summer: Sundays at 8:30.
- There will be time to discuss a topic that the high schoolers pick, bonfires, and games.
- There are a few Sundays I will not have 3:16s because of camps, the Gathering, and vacation.

### **Bonfires**

- Bonfires began last Thursday, June 7 and will continue on Thursdays throughout the summer at 8:30.
- We had 16 people at last week's bonfire – it was a blast!
- Bonfires are for those who just completed 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade.
- There will be a few Thursdays I will not have bonfires because of camps, the Gathering, and vacation.

### **Personal**

- I will be on vacation from July 17-July 24 for my brother's wedding! Willy and I will be heading to Oregon for the week for this special celebration!
- I will be working MANY hours in the next few weeks of June, so there will likely be some times in July where I will be taking comp time.