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Joshua Tree Camping/Climbing Trip: Rescheduled for **May 19-21**. The trip is open to all youth 8th-12th grade. The cost is \$50 per youth, which includes all food, entry fees and climbing gear. Please RSVP to Matt by Friday, May 12 if you plan to attend. This will be a spiritual adventure in the great outdoors that is not to be missed! There is room for a few adult advisors to attend. Contact Matt if you have any questions.

Kids' Night In: The youth of Salem are holding a fundraiser entertaining the students of Salem Lutheran School while their parents attend the school event, *Parents' Night Out*. Adult volunteers are needed for assistance.

National ELCA Youth Gathering Fundraisers: There will be several fundraisers for the senior high youth attending the Youth Gathering in July to help offset personal costs. Please contribute or attend the events when you can.

- 1) Recycling: On-going can, bottle and ink cartridge recycling. This has been such an easy moneymaker, plus recycling is simply the right thing to do. Please bring us your "CA Redemption" glass, plastic or aluminum cans & bottles AND your inkjet printer cartridges.
- 2) Movie/Entertainment Nights - every Saturday evening in June at Salem.
- 3) We will be taking orders for our brand new Salem youth T-shirts - be honorary members of the Salem youth group by purchasing a T-shirt.
- 4) We will be holding at least one car wash and one special meal in June.
- 5) Kids' Night In.

Confirmation Class meets every Tuesday night of May at 5:30pm. The last class is May 30, which is a BBQ.

Quarter-Lifers...New!...Interested? New ministry especially for those of us in the post-youth group, pre-family gap. The Quarter-Lifers will provide an opportunity for the young adults at Salem to get together with other Christians their age and have some fun. We hope to hold events about 4 times a year. Interested or know someone who might be, please contact **Kirstyn Perry**.

MAY Calendar



- 5 Kids' Night In fundraiser
- 6 YF Committee meeting at 9am (not at 8am)
- 7 NO H_
- 14 H_ at 12:30pm - prep for Joshua Tree or rock climbing at rock gym
- 19-21 Joshua Tree Trip (reschedule)
- 21 H_ at 12:30pm in YF Center
- 26 JH & SH "Dinner and a Movie" (X-Men 3) - meet at 5:15pm in Salem parking lot (please RSVP by May 25)
- 28 Final H_ of the year at 12:30pm (event TBA)
- 30 Confirmation BBQ (final class of the year)

Youth Summer Events Preview

Every Saturday night in June the youth will present a film screening and/or some live entertainment in the Salem schoolyard. These events are fundraisers for the Senior High trip to the National ELCA Youth Gathering in San Antonio, Texas.

Mystery Trip: Friday, June 23 - Sunday, June 25: The popular Mystery Trip is back...for youth entering 4th, 5th & 6th grades. To receive a Mystery Trip packet, please contact Matt.

Awesomeness of God (AOG) Week: It will be held July 10-14. There will be exciting events all week for youth in grades 7-12. More AOG details are to come!

Vacation Bible School (VBS) will now be August 7-11 at Salem Lutheran Church and School. Please note the change in dates. To reserve a spot in the program, please contact Matt.

Yosemite Camping Excursion: We will be going August 14-18. This is open to all incoming 7th & 8th graders. For more information, contact Matt.