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Youth group meets Sunday evenings from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. We start the evening with a meal, followed by games and Bible study/discussion groups. In addition to Sunday evenings, we hold fund raising events; participate in service projects, and fun activities. Youth group is open to all youth who are 6th grade and older.

Fund Raiser Credit

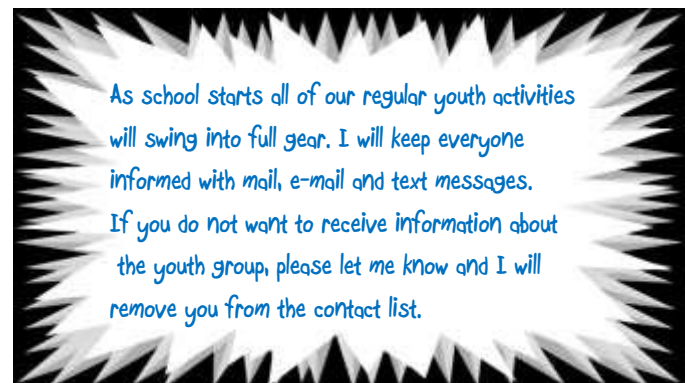
Each time a youth works a fund raising event, they earn money that can be used to help pay for **camp, retreats, and mission trips**. Hours are tracked, and based on the profit from the event each youth who worked will earn a percentage. This doesn't mean that a youth can "show up, hang around and talk" and earn credit. In order to earn credit, youth have to actively participate in the fund raiser, including set-up, and clean-up. (Adults can earn credit for their youth also!)

Youth Dinner Schedule



- 8/7 Youth Week BBQ
- 8/14 Gabe & Zac Lepori
- 8/21 Lydia Miller
- 8/28 Aaron & Caleb Weir
- 9/4 Samantha Baltz
- 9/11 Sierra Roberts
- 9/18 Graycie Platero
- 9/25 Star Cooley
- 10/2 Special Event
- 10/9 Kami & Seth Northup
- 10/16 Avery & Wes Selover
- 10/23 No Youth Group - Fort Lone Tree
- 10/30 Fall Festival - Pizza & A Movie

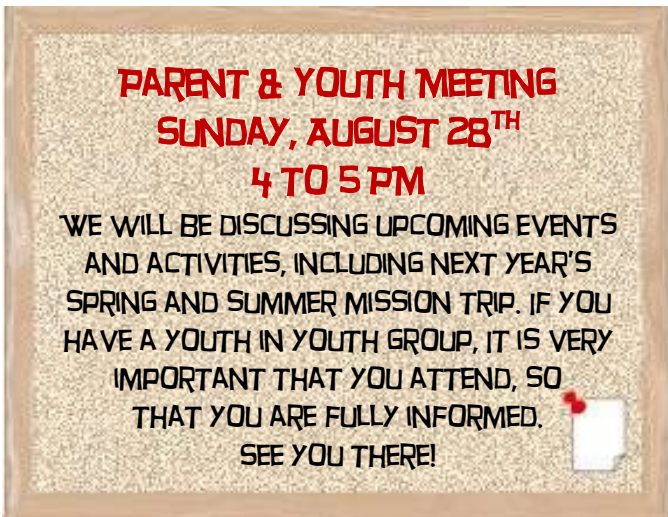
The Church is open at 4:00 PM if you need to use the kitchen. We have been averaging 19 to 22 for dinner. We eat from 5 to 5:30 PM. You can clean up after 5:30. If the above date will not work for you, please trade with another family. (Please note: we do have a member who is vegetarian and a couple who are gluten intolerant. They are all good about working around whatever is brought, just want to make everyone aware.) **Meal ideas: tacos, sloppy joes, spaghetti, sub sandwiches, BBQ sandwiches, fried chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, mac-n-cheese, baked potatoes, etc.**



Celebration Sunday - August 28th



We have a combined worship service at 10 AM, followed by a potluck lunch. This is a fun day, where we honor our teachers, promote our children and recognize our 2017 graduating seniors. We will ask our High School Seniors to come up to the front so that we can recognize them and hold them in prayer for the coming year. Also, during the worship service we will present Bibles to our new 3rd graders and to any of our incoming youth who need or would like a new Bible. If you want your youth to receive a Bible, please let me know.



Destination Unknown - August 28

We will meet at the church at our regular youth group time. We will have dinner and then leave promptly at 5:30 for our "destination". Additional adults will be needed to drive. After our adventure and discussion, we will return to the church around 7 PM. The scripture

emphasis for the evening is Jonah 4:1-11. But Johan was greatly displeased and became angry. He prayed to the Lord, "O Lord, is this not what I said when I was still at home?"



That is why I was so quick to flee to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. Now, O Lord, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live."

But the Lord replied, "Have you any right to be angry?"

Jonah went out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter, sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. Then the Lord God provided a vine and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the vine. But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the vine so that it withered. When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah's head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, and said, "It would be better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Do you have a right to be angry about the vine?"

"I do," he said. "I am angry enough to die."

But the Lord said, "You have been concerned about this vine, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. But Nineveh has more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left, and many cattle as well. Should I not be concerned about that great city?"

Ga-Ga Ball pit Construction
Sunday, September 4th
During youth group we will be Constructing our very own Ga-Ga Ball pit and benches. This will involve leveling the playing field, cutting wood, bolting wood together, sanding and painting. please come prepared in old clothes and shoes. If you have a circular saw, power sander or shovels, please bring them with you. **ADULTS: we will need some additional supervision.** I realize this is a holiday week-end and a number of you may be out of town, but if you are available, please let me know!



September 17th, 6:00 PM

This year instead of a "Sweetheart" dinner, we are going to have an "Italian" dinner. Chef Leonard will be cooking for us. We will be decorating the fellowship hall to look like a romantic ristorante and serving traditional Italian fare. We will sell tickets on Sunday mornings starting August 14th.

In addition, we will have a silent auction. Each youth family will be asked to donate an item or "basket" for the auction. Some examples for gift baskets: ice cream toppings, an ice cream scoop and a certificate for a gallon of ice cream; popcorn bucket with microwave popcorn, candy and a movie rental; a journal or devotional book, coffee mug, sample coffee and a tin of cookies. Be creative. If you don't want to bring a basket, you can bring an item that you think people would be willing to bid on, like a picture or gift certificates from restaurants or hotels. Lots of businesses are willing to donate items, so don't be afraid to ask. Each youth who contributes an item will earn a percentage from the auction for their "Fundraising" account. All money raised from the meal (ticket sales) will help to offset the cost of next summer's mission trip to Crownpoint, New Mexico.

Youth and adults will be needed to help decorate and to serve and clean-up. I think it would be helpful to start the decorating on Friday, September 16th, so that we can concentrate on prepping and serving on Saturday. More details will be available as the date nears and at the youth and parent meeting on August 28th.

Youth Led Worship

October 2nd

Our next youth led worship service will be Sunday, October 2nd. Please let me know if you have any thoughts or ideas for the service.



As usual, after youth led worship we will have a fun event in place of our regular youth group meeting. Each youth gets to vote for the event that they would like to see us have. The options are:

1. Dinner and a Movie
2. Art Attack
3. Putt-Putt Golf
4. Stone Age Climbing Gym

You need to vote no later than Sunday, September 18th. You can call, text or e-mail me your vote! The event with the most votes is what we will do on Sunday afternoon, October 2nd.

Roadrunner Food Bank Service Project Friday, October 7th



We can't always do just fun stuff, so on Friday, October 7th, we will be working at the Roadrunner Food Bank. While working, everyone needs to wear a shirt with sleeves (no tank tops allowed for sanitary purposes) and closed toed shoes (for safety purposes). Please remember to eat lunch before coming, as personal food and water bottles are not allowed in the work area. Also, phones are not allowed in the building, if you bring one with you it will need to stay in the car. We will leave the church at 12:15 and return at 5 PM. Additional adults will be needed. Please let me know if you can help.

Do you like games? Why not join us on Wednesday evenings after the WNO meal. We will have family game night on Wednesday: August 31st, September 28th and October 26th from 6:15 to 8:30 PM in the fellowship hall.



FORT LONE TREE FAMILY RETREAT OCTOBER 21ST - 23RD



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OCTOBER 21ST - 23RD, AND PLAN ON JOINING US IN THE BEAUTY OF THE CAPITAN MOUNTAINS FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN AND ADVENTURE AT OUR CHURCH WIDE FORT LONE TREE FAMILY RETREAT.

FORT LONE TREE IS AN 1840'S STYLE OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP, WITH ALL THE AMENITIES WE SEEM TO

THINK WE NEED, LIKE HOT AND COLD RUNNING WATER AND ELECTRICITY. THEY OFFER A VARIETY OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES INCLUDING HIKING, ARCHERY, ROCK WALL CLIMBING, A DOUBLE ZIP LINE, A 250-FOOT WATER SLIDE, A GIANT SWING AND HIGH ROPES COURSE, HORSEBACK RIDING (ADDITIONAL \$5.00 PER PERSON) AND LOTS MORE!

IT IS ABOUT A FOUR-HOUR DRIVE FROM RIO RANCHO. THE WEEKEND STARTS WITH GAMES AND FELLOWSHIP AT 8:00 PM ON FRIDAY, AND CONTINUES THROUGH LUNCH ON SUNDAY. THE COST IS \$100.00 PER PERSON 8 AND OLDER, \$50.00 FOR 6 & 7 YEAR OLDS, AND FREE FOR THOSE 5 AND UNDER, THIS FEE INCLUDES LODGING, ACTIVITIES AND FIVE MEALS. LODGING IS IN "BUNK HOUSES" THAT HOLD 6 TO 12 PEOPLE.

REGISTRATION FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE THE SANCTUARY BY MID-AUGUST. ONE FORM IS NEEDED PER PERSON AND ALL FORMS AND A \$25.00 DEPOSIT MUST BE TURNED IN BY SEPTEMBER 25TH. THE BALANCE IS DUE BY OCTOBER 21ST.

We will not have youth group on Sunday, October 23rd, as some of us will be traveling back from Fort Lone Tree!



Friday, October 28th at Central UMC

We will be joining youth groups from other churches in our district for a fun evening. Watch for more details on the youth room bulletin board as the date nears.

Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat



Sunday, October 30th, 3 to 5 PM

Our annual Fall Festival & Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Sunday, October 30th from 3 to 5 PM. We will need youth and adults to help with set-up, clean-up and running the games. We are also in need of individually wrapped candy donations and people who are interested in being part of "Trunk-or-Treat" (decorate your trunk and hand out candy to ghouls and goblins). We will start setting up at 1 PM.

Pizza & A Movie



After we are finished cleaning up the Fall Festival, we will order some pizza and enjoy a fun Halloween movie in the youth room. Please let Kim know if you plan on joining in the fun!



Craft Fair Set-Up: November 4th

Craft Fair: November 5th

(The youth are in charge of the kitchen, to raise funds for trips, camps & fun activities.)

CCYM: November 18th - 20th

(Camp at SMA for High School youth.)

Youth Led Worship: November 27th

(This is our annual "Hanging of the Greens" & Potluck Brunch with Santa event - fun, fun!)

Christmas Caroling & Potluck: December 4th

(Join in the fellowship at this new tradition!)

Happy Birthday Jesus: December 11th

(Our Youth Group Christmas Party - always a blast!)

Noon Year's Eve Party: December 31st

(Because who wants to wait until midnight to celebrate☺)

No Youth: December 25th or January 1st