

SUNDAY MORNING PROGRAM 10-11am

Children's Sunday School age 3 through 3rd grade

The children begin downstairs in the Gathering Room to hear a Godly Play story before they move to age level classrooms. Leader: Christine Karp

4th & 5th Grade Faith Formation

(Education)

Grapple a multi-media curriculum designed to bring children in to relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Leader: Jill Todd

6th – 8th Grade Faith Formation

(Education)

Re-Form a multi-media curriculum that creates opportunity for discussions about tough faith questions. Leader: Lisa McBride

YART–Youth Art Response Time

Grades 4th – 12th Sun. at 10am in the Parish Hall youth will meet with their leader as they discuss the lectionary Psalms and Scripture Readings of the day and create a response. Art supplies and instruction will be made available. Leader: Kate Johnson

Route 66 – Inter-Generational Bible Survey 4th grade through Adults

All ages will gather together in the upstairs St. Cecilia Room. 1/3 of the group time will be spent surveying scripture together. Following the survey youth and adults will break off into groups and finish their time together in age appropriate discussion and activities.

Leader: Pam Hadley / Adults

Leader: Beth Hydeke-Kelm / Youth

YEP–Youth Education Program grades

9th - 12th 1st Year Confirmation Youth need to attend. Youth along with their leaders will focus on a variety of subjects that define our Episcopal Identity and our Christian Faith through Scripture, Tradition, and Reason. Leader: Tim Hadley

Confirmation Contact Sheila Foster about the process, age requirements & how to begin.

I'm confirmed! Youth who have been confirmed are asked to fulfill the promises made at confirmation. Get involved and become leaders. Teach Sunday school, get more involved in worship, become part of a ministry team. The St. John's Parish Life Directory will give you names to contact.



Adult Education –High School Youth

may attend. Adult Education is available on Sundays at 10am and Wed. at 6pm in the Parlor. Leader: Rev. Marilyn Baldwin

Our programs are designed to meet the three primary areas of faith formation:

Spiritual – We strive to meet the spiritual needs of everyone involved in our programs, from Cradle Episcopalians to those visiting with a friend. Faith is sustained through community.

Social – There are many opportunities throughout the year to join in on offered social events and activities. These events are advertised in The Voice, a monthly parish mailing. The Voice will provide the dates and details for all of our planned social activities.

Service – Our programs stress involvement in programs and projects that teach compassion, integrity, and sacrifice.

Contribute: St. John's members may contribute in many ways: time, talent, and financial gifts. A special fund for Youth and Children through the St. Paul Foundation is available to help support our youth. Consider giving a financial gift today.

WED. EVENING PROGRAMS

Children's Activity Program

CAP – ages: 5 years – 3rd Grade

CAP is a program designed for younger children to experience Sunday School activities on a weekday. CAP is offered most Wednesday's from 6pm–6:45pm in the downstairs St. Patrick Room. Leader: Lorna Cessna

Celebrating Our Faith Through the Arts – C.O.F.T.A grades 4th - 12th

Meets most Wednesday's in the St. Bernard room from 6pm – 6:45pm. COFTA is a program designed to engage young people in the worship arts. COFTA will include preparation of drama for worship, skits, art, and music. COFTA prepares a scripture dramatization that is used at the Sun. 9am worship service approximately once a month. Leader: Sheila Foster



Youth Group –grades 9th - 12th 6pm-7pm

Youth gather most Wed. nights in the upstairs St. Angelico Rm. For fellowship. Youth Group is followed by Pie Night at Denny's across from Maplewood Mall on White Bear Ave.

MUSIC PROGRAMS: 6pm – Instrumental & Special Ensembles 6:45pm – 7:30pm Canticle Ensemble - Music leaders for the 9am Worship An Inter-Generational Choir 6th Grade through Adults. Children younger are welcome to participate with a parent or guardian. Leader: Matt Anderson

Youth Overnights and Special Events

Throughout the school season there will be a number of events that will be overnights and special events that will take place inside and outside of St. John's. Valley Fair trip, Feed My Starving Children, Trick or Treat for the Food Shelf, Advent Overnight, Bigger & Better Treasure Hunt, Annual Meeting Overnight, Jan. Diocesan Youth Acolyte Festival, March. Episcopal Youth Music Festival, Maundy Thursday Overnight along with state wide youth events and inter-generational events that take place approx. once a month

Families In Christ- FAMILIES INC.

Families Inc. offers a number of specific family activities throughout the year. These events are designed especially for families with younger children (birth - grade 5). Please check the church website, Voice, or Sunday bulletin for the exact dates, times, and locations.

Teens Encounter Christ – TEC grades 9th – 12th October & March

(Thurs. – Sun. afternoon for TEAM)

Candidates (1st time participants)

Begin Friday at 10am – ends Sun. 4pm.

Participants need to commit to the entire weekend. This retreat is offered in the fall and spring for youth to deepen their faith and journey with a larger group of youth on a Christian Journey. It is highly recommended that all High School Youth attend at least one of these weekends.



Summer Opportunities

Vacation Bible School - VBS

age 3 through 5th grade

June 18 - 22 10am – 12:30pm

VBS is a weeklong (M-F) opportunity for children to engage in the Christian Story and community building through stories, crafts, music, and other creative play.

Youth Mission 9th–12th Grade

July 21-29, 2012 This year's mission will take place out of state. The location will be determined by the youth participants. Planning meetings begin Sept.



Episcopal Youth Music Camp 3rd – 12th grades (fall 2012) Aug. 5th – 11th, 2012

EYMC is an overnight camp that takes place at Camp Heartland in Willow River, MN. Youth from all over the Episcopal Diocese of MN, participate in the week. Information and pictures can be found at

www.episcopal-youth-music.org



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