Christian Education Events & Announcements August 28, 2023

# A picture containing diagram  Description automatically generatedAcolyte Sign-up:

We invite and encourage **ALL** youth to sign up to acolyte. This ministry is a fun privilege, that our youth get to engage in every Sunday! If your youth would like to acolyte, please

sign up outside the office. Pastor Levi will assist younger children if they’d like to have a turn.

# Rally Sunday:

We are inviting all church families to join us for Rally Sunday. A kick-off to the new Sunday School year! We are planning a free-will donation, **hot dog meal**. Learn who your Sunday School teacher will be, enjoy some games and see if you have what it takes to dump Pastor Levi into the dunk tank!!

**September 10, 2023 immediately following 9 am service.**

# Top view of books formed into a circleSunday School Teachers:

We are taking a co-teaching approach to Sunday School this year. We are looking for volunteers to help co-teach our youth. If you or your older youth are willing to help co-teach or be a “fill-in”

teacher as needed, please connect with Jill in the church office or reach out to one of the members of the Board of Youth and Education. Weekly lesson plans and supplies will be prepared ahead of time so no prep work or planning would be required by you.

# Teal backpack with school suppliesBackpack Blessing:

Bring your backpack to church on **Sunday, September 10, 2023** and have it blessed for the upcoming school year.

# Upcoming Sunday School Schedule:

Sunday School begins **September 17, 2023**, immediately following 9 am service. Who: All youth pre-school – 6th grade!!

# New Orleans Youth Gathering:

We are looking at putting together a trip for high school students (grades 9-12) to attend the New Orleans, Louisiana, ELCA Youth Gathering July 16, 2024 –

July 20, 2024. ***Informational meeting for the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans will be held on Wednesday, September 6th at 7:00p.m., located at Bethel***

***Lutheran Church, Porter, MN.*** A Pastor from Wabasso will be presenting the information. Fundraising will be set up to help defray costs. We are hoping to offer this trip **every three years**. If your high schooler would like to consider this, please attend the meeting.

# Usher Ministry

We are looking for families to help usher during Sunday Services. Some things ushers are responsible for are: handing out bulletins as church starts, collecting offering and excusing the congregation by rows for communion. There will be a sign-up sheet posted outside the office. What a great way for **YOUR** family to be involved. Please consider helping out with this ministry.

# A picture containing graphical user interface  Description automatically generatedRend Collective Campfire

Campfire 10th Anniversary Tour in the R/A Facility at SMSU, Saturday, **September 30, 2023 at 7:00 PM**. Rend Collective is a Northern Irish Christian [folk rock](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Folk_rock) [worship](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Contemporary_worship_music) band originating from [Bangor,](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bangor%2C_County_Down) [Northern](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northern_Ireland) [Ireland.](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Northern_Ireland) General admission is $25/person. More information can be found on the Rend Collective Facebook page or at: rendcollective.com

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# Junior High Youth Gathering – Save The Date

Junior High Youth Gathering to take place in Willmar, MN. ***November 17-19, 2023***. Registration opens early September. More information will be provided as soon as it becomes available. If you are interested in chaperoning for this event, please reach out to Jill in the office.