

For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed, says the Lord, who has compassion on you. Isaiah 54:10

Something from Me

I know that you are all busy this time of the year with special programs and homework and getting ready for Christmas. I just want you to remember what is really important this season-preparing our hearts and minds to celebrate the fact that God entered the world as a tiny baby. What a miracle we celebrate! What a gift God gave us! Remember that in the middle of your busyness.

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Middle School Stuff

Confirmation:

You might think that just because we aren't having lessons each week during December, that we aren't having confirmation. Well, that's not true. During Advent, our confirmation program is just a little different. We will meet for a potluck dinner at 6:15 and then worship together at 7:00. Now, you might ask what does this have to do with confirmation lessons? I'm glad you asked. Here are some lessons that we learn from eating and worshipping together.

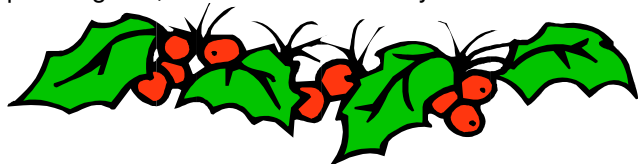
- ✓ How to get along with others
- ✓ Using opportunities to share
- ✓ Forgiving others
- ✓ Forgiving ourselves
- ✓ Worship is honoring to God
- ✓ Worship is about God, not about me

Think about what else you can learn during this time of Advent and come regularly to Potluck (6:15) and Worship (7:00.) And yes, like always, I will be taking attendance.

One more thing: don't forget to take worship notes on Sunday morning. Remember to take notes on the days when you are an acolyte. During December you'll have nine chances for note taking. Take advantage of this opportunity to get in the habit!

Middle School Lock In:

Scheduled for December 27 & 28. I need some help planning this; so let me know what you want to do!



High School Stuff

Because so many of you are so busy during December, we will NOT be meeting on Sunday evenings. Instead you may participate in these activities with youth or other church members

Dec. 5, 6: High School Lock In

Dec. 9: Potluck supper & Advent worship

Dec. 12 or 13: Narnia production

Dec. 13: Caroling & Chili dinner

Dec. 16: Potluck supper & Advent worship

Dec. 20: Sunday school Christmas program

Dec. 23: Potluck supper & Advent worship

Lock-In:

Date: December 5 and 6

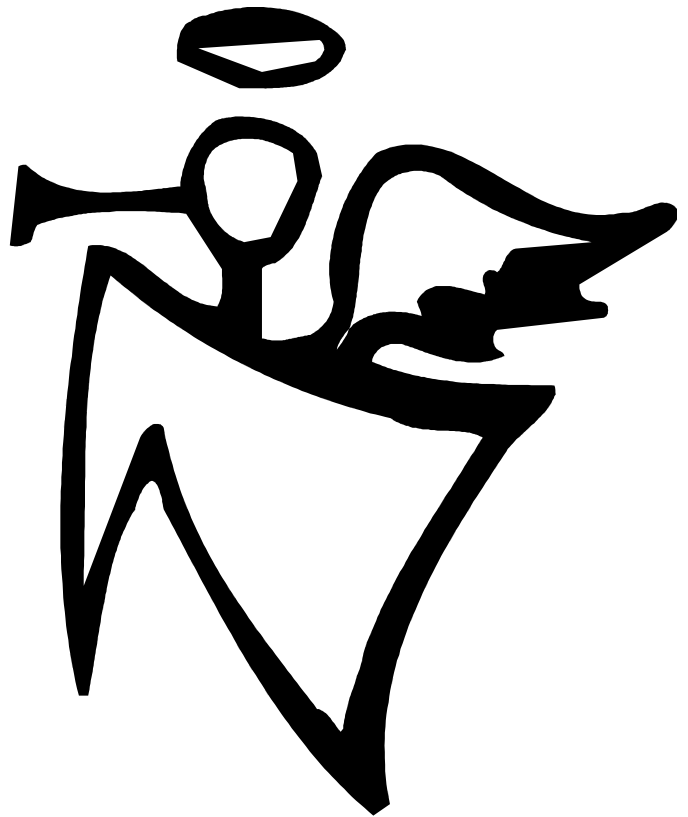
Where: Camp Lutherwood (22960 Hwy. 36)

When: From 12:30 Saturday to 11:00ish Sunday

What: Paint Ball from 1:30 to 5:30, dinner, movies, games, Capture the Flag (in the dark), breakfast, worship

How Much: \$25.00 (scholarships available)

Bring: Sleeping bag, clothes to play in, warm clothes, a snack to share, your favorite drink, and friends



Summer Mission Trip

So here is the plan.

- July 9: Service Project in Eugene, travel to Roseburg
- July 10: Service Project in Roseburg, night in Medford or Grants Pass
- July 11: Worship and Service Project in either town, night in Redding or Red Bluff
- July 12: Service project, night in San Francisco
- July 13: service project in San Francisco, then sightseeing.
- July 14: More sightseeing, last night in San Francisco
- July 15, 16: Travel home with stops as needed.

(P.S: We can still make some changes to the schedule. Let me now if it needs adjustments.)

Who can go: Anyone in high school this year and any one who will be in high school next year. In other words all 8th through 12th grade students.

How much will all this cost? Our biggest expense will be renting vans for the trip. If we have to rent two vans (which would involve more than 7 people) we can do this for between \$500 & \$600 a person. So, I will be asking you for a personal commitment of \$100.00. You can pay this in a lump sum or in installments, due by the end of May. We will then fund raise the rest.

Fundraising includes, but isn't limited to:

- signing up for the Albertsons Community Partner Program by your family
- working very hard on the annual Yard Sale, scheduled in June
- signing up for the Safeway Escrip program
- turning in your redeemable cans & bottles and soliciting donations from others
- getting donations through our 144 Envelopes program

We will probably have more opportunities to raise money that will come up in the next few months and I will let you know about them as they become available. In the meantime, we are still selling Entertainment books and the Cosmos Corn.



- **P**—Pray daily **W**—Worship weekly
 - **R**--Read the Bible
- **S**—Serve **R**—Relationship with others
 - **G**—Give

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Registration Covenant for Mission Trip 2010

- I commit to worshipping at Emmaus a minimum of one Sunday a month.
- I commit to worshipping at Emmaus a total of nine Sundays before June 30.
- I commit to attending Sunday School a minimum of one Sunday a month.
- I commit to attending Sunday School a total of nine times before June 30.
- I commit to participating in the worship or service life of Emmaus in at least one area, using the Time & Talent survey as a guide.
- I commit to participating in the fundraisers which include, but are not limited to:
 - Yard sale (tentative date June 19, with set up happening June 14-18)
 - 144 Envelopes (staffing the information table and soliciting donations.
 - Can and bottle recycling
- I commit to attend the group meetings in preparation for the trip
- I commit to paying a family fee of \$100.00 by May 31, with a non-refundable deposit of \$15.00 when I return this form

Signature: _____

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Parent signature: _____

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Please return this form to me as soon as possible along with the first installment of the family fee. If you have any questions about this trip or this commitment, feel free to call me. I can be reached at

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