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*Welcome to our new  
Director of Youth  
Ministry, Lydia Gajdel!*




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Wilton Congregational Church?  
Contact Lydia Gajdel, Director of  
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## Save the Date!

**November 19<sup>th</sup>:**

Coat Drive  
Distribution Event in  
Bridgeport. More  
information to come!



# Youth Ministry Newsletter

**October 2017**

## Re-Cap

- **Hiring new Director of Youth Ministry**
  - We are excited to welcome Lydia Gajdel as our new Director of Youth Ministry. Be sure to stop by the office or send her an email to introduce yourself.
- **First Youth Group for both Middle School and High School**
  - Youth group is up and running! The High School Youth Group began on September 10<sup>th</sup> with a baking challenge and middle school kicked off on September 24<sup>th</sup>, the day that both groups met to brainstorm ideas about what they want out of Youth Ministry programming. Remember that both Youth Groups meet every Sunday: MS is from 2:30-4:00 PM and HS is from 5:30-7:00 PM.
- **Mission trip reveal**
  - West Virginia, here we come! On September 17<sup>th</sup>, our Mission Trip Planning Committee threw a great party full of games, great food, and important information about the upcoming 2018 Mission Trip. For more details about the Mission Trip, email [Lydia](#).

## Announcements

- **Contact information forms**
  - If you haven't filled out a [contact form](#) for your child, please do. We will be communicating with both parents and youth through text messaging, phone calls, email, and social media. Make sure we know how to reach you so that you can stay up to date on all the latest events.
- **Follow us on Facebook and Instagram!**
  -  WCC Youth Ministry
  -  wcc\_youth\_ministry

# Upcoming Events This Month

## October 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

**Middle School Sunday School, 10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**Youth Group** (2:30-4:00, Middle School; 5:30 – 7:00 PM High School)

- Middle school – Apple Pie Extravaganza
- High School – The Way We Pray: Exploring the Centrality of The Lord’s Prayer

## October 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Middle School Sunday School, 10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**No Youth Group – Enjoy Columbus Day Weekend!**

## October 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Middle School Sunday School, 10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**Confirmation, 11:15 AM – 12:30 PM**

- Introduction to Confirmation: What are we doing? Why are we doing it? And does it matter?

**Youth Group** (2:30-4:00, Middle School; 5:30 – 7:00 PM High School)

- Meatloaf night for WCC Food Pantry

## October 20<sup>th</sup> Friday

**Lake Compounce Outing for Middle School and High School Youth, 3:30 PM to 11:00 PM**

- Join us for rides in the dark and a walk through the Haunted Graveyard (optional) at Lake Compounce in Bristol, CT! Invite your friends, all are welcome.
- Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 PM - 11:00 PM.
- Meet at Wilton Congregational Church lower parking lot at 3:30 PM.
- If you are coming from Middlebrook or WHS, you can take bus #7 directly to the church.
- Group will return to WCC at 11:00 PM.
- Bring with you...

\$35 for ticket (Cash or check made out to Wilton Congregational Church);

[Permission form](#);

At least \$20 cash for dinner, snacks, and gift shop purchases;

Warm clothes.



- Sign up with Lydia by Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Are you able to help with driving? Please let Lydia know how many people (including yourself) can fit in your car.
- Email Lydia with any questions at [lydia@wiltoncongregational.org](mailto:lydia@wiltoncongregational.org)

## October 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday

**Middle School Sunday School, 10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**Confirmation, 11:15 AM – 12:30 PM**

- People of the Book: The Bible and our Faith

**No Youth Group**

- Our Youth Group event for the weekend was the Lake Compounce outing; hope everyone had fun!

## October 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday

**Middle School Sunday School, 10:15 – 11:00 AM**

**Youth Group** (2:30-4:00, Middle School; 5:30 – 7:00 PM High School)

- Join us for our Halloween party!
- There will be games, pumpkin carving, and a special prize for best costume!
- Invite your friends!