

# ELC YOUTH

## FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

### NEXT YOUTH GROUP LUNCH:

Sunday, February 11th at 11:45am

*145 DAYS TIL THE YOUTH GATHERING!*

Are you counting down the days until summer? The ELCA Youth Gathering is right around the corner! We just learned that we'll be staying at the Hilton Houston Galleria Area with the rest of the MetroChicago Synod.

Get together for Youth Group on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:45am - 1pm in Rising Chapel as we eat, talk about Jesus and loving relationships, and invite people to the spaghetti dinner!



### THANK YOU!

... for your leadership as voting members of the congregation and in council, as Sunday School teachers, as leaders in worship, and as prophets at ELC and in the world.

You are God's masterpiece! A work of art and grace!

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Time to eat pizza, play some games and watch movies to raise money for our trip!

Meet in Fellowship Hall at 5:30pm on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> to go over our game plan and babysit from 6-9pm.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

So excited to have Second Hand Soul Band provide some sweet tunes for our dinner and silent auction this year!

It's an all-day event, so get ready to set-up, serve food, and clean-up for Jesus 😊



### PARENTS' MEETING

Parents and youth are invited to the Sanctuary on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:45am to talk about what's needed for the summer mission trips and upcoming fundraisers.

## Mission Trip Housekeeping

There are 11 youth and 4 adults heading to the ELCA Youth Gathering in Houston. We leave the morning of June 26 and will return the afternoon of July 2.

There are 13 youth and 1 adult heading to the Group Mission Trip in Minneapolis. We'll leave the morning of July 22 and return the afternoon of July 27.

The remaining deposit for these trips is **due March 1, 2018**. The deposit for the Houston trip is \$150 and the deposit for the Minneapolis trip is \$50.

We also need 2 more chaperones for our trip to Minneapolis, ideally 1 male and 1 female chaperone. Let Pastor Christina know ASAP if you can fill this role.



## \*\* NEW SMALL GROUPS FOR LENT \*\*

As part of ELC's Vision Plan for 2018 and beyond, the congregation is forming small groups that will meet during Lent. We'll meet every week, starting February 18th, either between Sunday morning worship services or after the 10:45am service.

What makes this different from our monthly youth group gatherings? In these groups, we'll talk about our faith as it relates to our theme for Lent "Love is Greater", the topics that come from that, and church life.

Hope to see you there. We look forward to hearing what you have to say!



May God  
guide your  
feet into the  
way of  
peace.