

Elementary School Youth:

Good Shepherd Vacation Bible School

Date: June 17-21, 2024

Cost: Free!

Time: 9am-12:30pm

Theme: TBD

Middle School Youth:

AFFIRM: Southeastern Synod Youth Gathering

<https://www.sesyouth.org/>

Date: June 10-14, 2024

Cost: \$450-\$500/person

OR

NovusWay Camps (Lutheranch, Ridge, Rock, etc.)

<https://novusway.org/>

Date: Some time in June

Cost: \$600-\$700/person

High School Youth:

ELCA Youth Gathering

<https://www.elca.church/gathering>

Date: July 16-20, 2024

Cost: roughly \$1200/person (there is assistance from the Gathering that we can apply for and the SES is willing to help cover some funds)

Theme: Created to Be

FUNDRAISING:

October: Talent Show

November: none

December: cookie walk, gift wrapping

January: Spaghetti Dinner

February: none

March: bake sale?

April: Car Wash

May: none

June: a thank you luncheon after church? Last minute free will donation?

ONGOING FUNDRAISING:

- Occasionally we will have **noisy offering**, where people can bring in their coins and at the end of service/during offering, we collect those coins and let the congregation know where it's going and why we are collecting.
- **Envelope fundraiser**: this is a big way that we will collect a majority of our fundraising. We will have a divider in the Fellowship hall that will have 100 envelopes labeled 1-100. When and if people want to take one, they can take whatever number, fill it with that amount of cash, and put it in the offering plate. Every 20 envelopes, I will invite a youth to speak about their previous experiences at a youth trip or why they are looking forward to this upcoming one. This will encourage the congregation to see their dollars in action.

If you are interested in sharing a small testimony (2ish minutes) during the service about your time on any of the church trips you have been on, please let Mel know.