
OSLC Youth Ministry

Greetings fellow brothers and sisters in Christ,

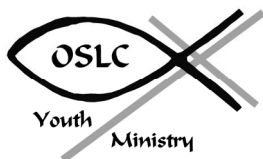
Last January we held our annual senior high lock in. There was an awesome group of students here ready to run, play, bowl, share, and praise as is our tradition. In the middle of the night we joined in our normal devotional style of talking, sharing, and listening. To end this time we had the opportunity as leaders pray with and for the kids through prayer stations. It was at this time that something interesting happened we did not expect. A young lady who was a guest from out of town approached one of our leaders and asked to be prayed for. When the leader asked what she would like them to pray about, the girl responded in tears that her church would be able to provide a program like this for their youth. She said that there are so many kids who need and want to be part of a family like this, and she hopes that her church can find ways to reach out to them. The leader prayed with her, shared an incredible moment of God's love, and when the stillness of the moment passed, we continued our Lock In.

We share with you this story because we are excited that this young lady felt this when visiting our church. We are blessed to have this ministry available to our youth. We also see that in order to provide this community for them we need adults who will support the youth and assist Chris and the Youth Leadership Team with needs that arise in these exciting, high energy, faithful events. You would never be asked to do something you are uncomfortable with. It is a fun role to be in and if you have not seen them before, you should see these youth work with your kids. They are incredible witnesses to our shared faith. What we ask is that each one of us joins a support team and takes two events each year. This would easily spread out the work and fill our great need. Included in this mailing is a post card asking for some basic information. **Please fill it out and return it to the church either by mail (post card is already stamped) or just drop it off at the church.** From these post cards we will make a database and build our support teams. Signing up doesn't mean you will be required to help at every event. It tells us that you are interested in helping and that we can contact you from time to time. If we call, and the event doesn't work in your schedule do not worry, we will call you for another event. We know, exciting! So many ways to serve God! You will also receive a T-Shirt at the event you support as a thank you for your ministry! Of course feel welcome to contact Chris with any questions you may have regarding the youth program or the Youth Ministry Support Teams.

We hope that we can all remember how lucky we are to provide this program for our young people. We hope that we can all better work together to provide opportunities that are relevant and faithful for our children. We hope that we can communicate better what it is you want in this program, and we hope that all of us can join together to support, share, and be present in the lives of all of these youth we serve. All it takes is each one of us to support two events. **You are needed.** Without you, young people much like the girl in the story would not have a community like this to strengthen and prepare her for all that life has to offer in Jesus. It seems fitting that our theme this year is **"Christ Walk"**. It stands for living and supporting one another in Christ's Love. May we let Jesus guide us as we journey together down this road of life. God's love and peace be with you all...

Peace on the Journey,

Youth Committee of Our Savior's Lutheran Church



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