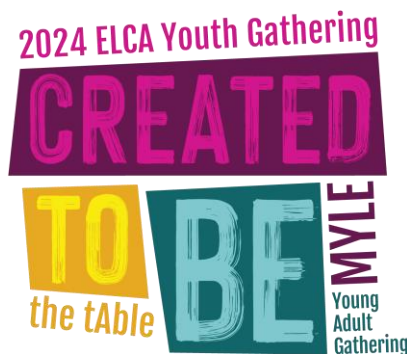


Dear 8th-12th grade parents,

You're receiving this letter because your child is eligible to attend the 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering in New Orleans, Louisiana. **Please read this letter carefully!**

The ELCA Youth Gathering is a triennial event attended by tens of thousands Lutheran youth and adults from across the U.S. who share a common commitment and faith in Christ. It includes five days of incredible faith formation, worship, study, fellowship, service, and play.



Any Faith student (or friends of Faith students) currently in grades 8–12 is eligible to participate in the 2024 Youth Gathering, which is scheduled for **July 14–21, 2024**. Please be aware that we may leave or return a day earlier or later based on pending side-trips, so plan accordingly.

If your child would like to attend, you must complete the following two-step registration process in order to ensure his or her spot is reserved:

1. **Complete the online registration form located here** → <https://forms.office.com/r/d3PQfcRAHf>
This is the *only* way to secure a spot for your child—Email, phone/text, and verbal commitments will not suffice.

Adults interested in chaperoning the trip please email or text Pastor Megan to let me know you are interested ASAP. This does not secure your spot, but lets all involved make the best choice based on need based on gender break down and such.

2. **Make a deposit of \$250 per student no later than Friday, October 13, 2023 through a secure online payment [here](#).**

A second payment of \$250 per student will be due no later than March 1, 2024.

Adults intending to chaperone must also make a \$250 deposit by October 13, 2023 as well. I will let you know ASAP if you are needed as a chaperone.

Need-based scholarships are available; please contact Pastor Megan for more information.

Finally, a required informational meeting for all students *and* parents is scheduled for Sunday, October 8 at 11:30am at Faith in Room 203/204.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me with questions or comments!

With anticipation and excitement,

Megan Clausen

Pastor Megan Clausen

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P.S. Curious to find out more about the ELCA Youth Gathering? Check out the website at [http://elca.org/youthgathering/!](http://elca.org/youthgathering/)