

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES  
NEWS AND EVENTS

Recently, this prayer has spoken volumes to me about my life and how I go about doing things in my daily life. One of my biggest struggles is talking to people about my faith—it's a tough topic sometimes—especially at school. I have found strength in these words and I hope they bring you some comfort as well!

Lord, help me to do great things as though they were little, since I do them with your power; and little things as though they were great, since I do them in your name.  
—Blaise Pascal

I am so excited to kick off this new Easter season with lots of new programs and activities for Youth and Family Ministries. Keep up with all youth events by checking out the Mount Calvary website:  
[www.mountcalvary-boulder.org](http://www.mountcalvary-boulder.org)!

First of all, a major change for this April is that **Confirmation** will be on **Tuesday** evening, starting at 6:00 p.m. with a meal included. We will meet with **Families in Faith** for a large group meal and then break off for our teaching time! Please call or e-mail ([amayhew@mountcalvary-boulder.org](mailto:amayhew@mountcalvary-boulder.org)) if you can provide a meal, dessert, or salad. Thanks for your help!

**We are looking for musicians—any and all for a contemporary ensemble starting Sundays at the late service after Easter. If you would like to share your musical talents with the congregation please let Amanda Mayhew, Kelly Miller, or Jim Myers know!**



**Mark your calendars:**

**April 1: Confirmation + meal**

**Families in Faith + Fellowship time**

**April 8: Confirmation**

**April 11: Confirmation Movie Night—BRING A FRIEND!!**

**April 15: Confirmation**

**April 26: 5PM Middle School Lock in at Mount C.**

**Bring a sleeping bag, a friend and your pj's— we can go to the service in our slippers!**

**“What is a Family in Faith?”**

Recently I've heard a lot of talk—what is Families in Faith and what is a Family in Faith? Anyone who is a family—young, old, in between, eight kids or one on the way—YOU are a Family in Faith, and we want you to come to our Families in Faith/Confirmation joint dinner on April 1. It is a time to share fellowship with other parents and for all the youth to get to know each other! If you have a confirmand we hope this will make it easier for you to bring your confirmand on Tuesday nights and meet other Confirmation parents. If you have a senior high youth or a child in college we hope you will come and share your wisdom with us about what it means to be a parent today. We can all share in ways to support one another.

**Big THANK YOU to all the youth who helped with the Middle school planning meeting!! We got some great ideas and made some big plans!**

Lastly, this is for YOUTH and PARENTS—I just want to let you all know that I am available anytime and always on my cell phone if you need anything. 303.601.9931. Please let me know if you need prayers, support or just someone to talk to!



### ELCA Youth Gathering News- Volume 1

Great news! The Youth Gathering Committee had their first official meeting this Sunday and has begun planning for a killer trip of at least 30 high school students to New Orleans on July 22-26, 2009. The estimated number of youth expected to attend is 36,000.

#### **How do I pronounce "New Orleans"?**

- **According to the Visitor's Bureau, "New Orleans" is pronounced noo aw-lins, new or-lee-yuns, or new or-lins, but not new orleans.**

#### **Here are some important dates and details to remember:**

- Because this is a Service oriented gathering, incorporating servant activities into each day, we will be having one service activity a month in preparation. Our first service activity is April 23, Easter Breakfast.
- March 16 at 9:15 a.m. kicks off our first Youth Gathering Sunday School. We expect a full turn out and can't wait to share some news about the gathering. Parents are welcome.
- Diane Olson will be contacting each family regarding registration. Registration will be due August 2007, so we ask that each of you begin to make plans for going.
- We will be having Bible study on the third Sunday of each month between now and the gathering.
- The youth gathering committee meets once per month our next meeting scheduled on April 20.
- CLUB 52 will be taking place on April 20<sup>th</sup> as well, we need all high schoolers to help us out with these calls
- So far the following members are working on our Youth Committee: Anna Murphy (devotions), Diane Olson (registration), Fred Housewright and Doug Reeves (budget and fundraising), Tina Reeves (flair and transportation), Kelly and Amanda (newsletter), Beth Shannon and Jan Osburn. If you see these volunteers thank them for their upcoming countless hours of work.