

God's bountiful
blessings this
Thanksgiving

St. James Youth and Family Newsletter

November 2011

HEY High School Youth!



*Church Youth Fest
At Luther College*

Students in grades 9-12 are invited to experience Church Youth Fest! Through celebrations, workshops, relationship building, worship, and recreation, we will explore what it means to follow Jesus "NOW". Living out our faith doesn't begin after high school or after college or after the next assignment. CYF 2011 will explore how we live out our faith now, every day.

Saturday, November 12

9:30 AM-9:00 PM

\$30/person

(Registration includes meals, event, and concert by Peter Mayer Group.

In addition, \$10 from each registration benefits the ELCA Malaria Campaign and ELCA Disaster Response.)

Contact Pastor Jeni for registration form and more information. Registration deadline is November 2!

JAVA AND JESUS meets at Cabin Coffee from 7:30-8:15 on Tuesday mornings. This is a time for High School youth to get together for prayer and conversation. Join us each Tuesday through the school year!



HIGH SCHOOL
AND
MIDDLE SCHOOL
BOWLING PARTY!



Sunday, November 13
From 2-4 PM
At
Mystic Lanes

Bring money for bowling and your own snacks.

You are also invited to bring Friends!

JOIN US FOR WOW:

WOW is a mid-week program for elementary-aged members (and friends and neighbors) of St. James that includes Bible Stories, activities, games, and crafts. Sign-up forms for WOW are available in the narthex or from Pastor Jeni!

Join us and INVITE OTHERS to as well!!!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

A SHOEBOX MINISTRY FOR
CHILDREN OVERSEAS



This year, our confirmation students will again participate in this ministry. If you would like to help them, you are invited to donate items or money to help with shipping. You may also donate shoeboxes!

Items to donate include small toys, hygiene items, school supplies, hard candy or lollipops, small toy jewelry, flashlights. Do NOT include used items, war/violent toys, chocolate, liquids/lotions, or breakable items.

Please have items or cash donations to the church by Sunday, November 13.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP NEWS:

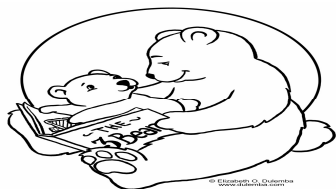
Those interested in participating in this year's Mission Trip are invited to a fundraising meeting on Sunday, November 6 in the Fireside Room at 10:30. We will begin selling holiday cut-out cookies, other cookie dough, and pastry puffins from November 7-November 21. Even if you aren't sure you'll be able to attend, we would love to have you help sell! If you cannot attend the meeting, please talk to Pastor Jeni to get your fundraising materials.

To get up-to-date information on events going on at St. James, head over to our Facebook page and hit "like!" Then watch for event invitations and messages about happenings here at Church.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE is a **YOUTH GROUP** for 5th and 6th graders that meets weekly on Wednesdays from 6:15-7:30.

Please join us and invite your friends!!! Talk to Pastor Jeni for more info!



Toddler Storytime is held at 9:30 AM in the St. James Nursery.

All babies through pre-schoolers are invited for stories, crafts, games, songs, and snacks. Please talk to Pastor Jeni to sign up!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

HELP WANTED:

Adults willing to give a few hours a month of their time are NEEDED to help with Youth Programs.

Help is needed as small group leaders, youth group chaperones, drivers, WOW and Wednesday Night Live volunteers, nursery attendants, and prayer warriors (just to name a few areas!).

Qualifications include only a loving heart and a willingness to serve!

Please prayerfully consider signing up to help with youth programs this year at St. James.

Talk to Pastor Jeni for more information.