

# Youth Group News

September 2019

Summer has come and gone and a new season is here. As I'm writing this, the weather feels like fall has already arrived, which just happens to be my favorite season. With each different season always comes new changes, but one thing that never changes is Jesus Christ. Hebrews 13:8 reminds us of this; Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Because He is the same, we know that His love for us doesn't change either. We can find comfort in knowing that no matter what kind of changes might be going on in our lives we can be reassured Christ is right there with us through everything.

I would like to give a warm welcome to Pastor Dennis, the youth and I are so happy to have him here and are looking forward to getting to know him. Also, we welcome the following freshman, Gavin Fangmeyer, Gavin Nash, Coleton Marquart, Gracie Miller, Zion Reinke, Trinity Robinson and McKylie Smith.

A youth/parent meeting was held last month to discuss the upcoming year. The youth group will meet Wednesday, September 4, to get the last minute details done for our War Room open house which will be held on Sunday, September 8. And just what is a "War Room?" A War Room is a prayer room. So many times we want to be in control of things and no matter how hard we try to control things in our lives, it doesn't do us any good because ultimately God is in control. Remember God will fight for us, He is on our side!! And prayer is the best way to let God know that we need Him! Whatever we are faced with, we need to know that we can go to God in prayer. This is a place for the youth to give God their prayers and a place to see the victory in having God in their lives. Our War Room is a place for the youth to go where God has invited them to sit in His presence. Matthew 6:6 says; "But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly." We invite everyone to come and check out the War Room, our doors will be open after church and during the potluck.

On Sunday, September 15 is our kickoff for the youth group and a welcome to our new freshman. Our theme for the evening is "Team Jesus."

I'm happy to say our basement wall is done! Other improvements done in the YOP house include adding in a small water heater and new water lines were replaced to allow safe drinking water. Thanks to the property committee for their work they did over at the YOP house. Special thanks to Earl Hillman for his extra help in making our War Room complete.

On our South Dakota Mission Trip these were our favorite service projects and why:



Jayden- the Live Move Be Farms (Greenhouse) because Jay appreciated our help so much that he cried when we were leaving

Mariah - the Live Move Be Farms because I liked working as a team in a larger group and being able to see the difference we were making

Taylor-the Hope Center (homeless shelter) because they seemed so happy we had prepared a meal and were serving them food and when we read the Bible verses, it was priceless to see their reactions.

Chandra-the Hope Center, hearing the people share their life stories and how some have come to know God through their trials and tribulations and seeing the joy on their faces as we were serving the food.

Thanks again to everyone at Peace for your financial and spiritual support! Thanks to the parents who made it their mission to help their youth go on this mission trip. Thanks be to God!

*Serving in Christ, Chandra*

Any High School aged youth are invited to sing with the Praise Team. Please contact Marla ASAP if you're interested. Practices are every other month beginning in October, usually some Wednesday nights and/or Sunday mornings, at 8:30 a.m.