

## Youth Groups

### First Friday

youth in grades 6 - 8

September through May on the first  
Friday of each month

6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

### TGIF

youth in grades 9 - 12

September through May on the second  
and fourth Fridays

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Our youth groups offer time for fellowship, fun, and faith development. Activities include cookouts, kayaking, miniature golf, bowling, family fun night at Ozzies, movies and games. Each evening opens with devotions and a prayer.

We participate in several service opportunities throughout the program year, including a MLK Day of Service, the Hunger Lock-In, and an evening of games with our friends at Luthercrest.

Each summer we offer a five day retreat for our youth in grades 9 -12. Our favorite place is the Luther Inn in Wildwood, N.J.

## Worship Hours

**8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Sundays**  
(Nursery Care and Kidz Church at 10:30 service)

**6:00 p.m. Saturday evenings**

**9:15 a.m. Sunday School**

(for children ages 3 through adults)

Rev. John P. Minnich, S. T. M. ,  
Pastor

Rev. Richard M. Stough, Associate  
Pastor

Sally Reeser, Director of Music

Kim Ring, Director of Christian  
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# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION and MUSIC MINISTRIES



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## Sunday Morning Ministries

**Sunday School** is offered Sunday mornings from 9:15 - 10:15.

Children age three through grade six use Augsburg's *Witness* Curriculum. *Witness* offers a strong Biblical foundation and focuses on faith development. The children will "learn from the Bible to live the Good News" as they engage in various activities.

Grades 7 and 8 study the Old and New Testaments using a combination of two curriculums: Concordia's *God's Action Plan* and Augsburg's *Here We Stand*.

Youth in grades 8 through 12 meet for fellowship and Bible study in our youth lounge. We use a combination of Cokesbury's BL4Y (Bible Lessons for Youth) and youth resources by Jim Burns.

Our adult forum uses various resources to study the Bible and discuss current issues. Augsburg's *Book of Faith* Bible studies are a popular resource in this class.

**Kidz Church** is offered during the 10:30 service to children ages three through grade 2. The purpose of Kidz Church is twofold: (1) Provide an age appropriate Lectionary based Christian Education and (2) Prepare children for participation in worship. Children begin worship with their families and are dismissed to Kidz Church after the children's message.

**Nursery** for infants through age three is offered at the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

**First Communion** is offered every other year to our grades 3/4 Sunday School class. We offer 6 - 8 weeks of instruction. We celebrate first Communion on Reformation Sunday.

## Sunday Night Live! Ministries

**Sunday Night Live!** is a family oriented night of fellowship, faith development and fun music. The evening includes supper, choir rehearsals for children and youth, biblically-based activities, confirmation class, and fellowship time for adults.

Dinner is served from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Activities are offered from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.

Vocal and Handbell choirs are offered to children and youth. Please refer to the schedule on the facing page. Choirs are offered September through Easter.

**Confirmation instruction** is offered to youth in grades 7 and 8 from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m., September through Pentecost.

## Adult Music Ministries

**Chancel Choir** rehearses at 7:00 p.m. Thursday evenings. Members have the opportunity to sing at either worship service.

**Chancel Ringers** rehearse at 6:45 p.m. Sunday evenings and ring in worship once a month.

**Breakfast, Bells and Bible Study** meet Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Designed for beginner through intermediate handbell ringers, this group focuses on note reading and foundational handbell techniques. We end our fellowship with 30 minutes of Bible study.

**Praise Band** leads worship the second Sunday of the month at both services. Rehearsal is the Thursday evening before we play in worship, beginning at 8:15 p.m.

## Sunday Night Live! Choir Rehearsal Schedule

### Vocal Choir Rehearsals

Director: Sally Reeser (610-730-6357)

Time	Choir
4:30 - 5:00	<b>Cherubs</b> Age 4 - grade 1
5:30 - 6:00	<b>Youth Choir</b> Grades 7 - 12
6:00 - 6:30	<b>Junior Choir</b> Grades 2 - 6

### Chime & Handbell Choir Rehearsals

Director: Kim Ring (484-241-0892)

Time	Choir
4:30 - 5:00	<b>Junior Bells</b> Grades 6 - 7
5:30 - 6:00	<b>Chimes</b> Grades 3 - 5
6:00 - 6:45	<b>Youth Bells</b> Grades 8 - 12