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About Us

Welcome To LYF! LYF stands for Lutheran Youth of Faith and we are the youth group here at St. Mark's Harrisburg! LYF is all about shining the light and love of Christ on our youth, as well as giving them the tools and opportunities to shine light and love on the rest of the world! LYF is not limited to only youth who are members of the congregation, we welcome all! Our youth are involved in a myriad of leadership and outreach roles both inside the congregation and in the community. LYF is all about building relationships – with each other, and with Christ. Join us for an event where you will find fellowship, faith formation, and friends new & old!

LYF is open to all current middle and high school age youth (6th through 12th grade).

LYF Jr. is open to all current elementary school aged youth (kindergarten through 5th grade).

For more information about LYF, reach out to our Director of Youth & Family Ministry, Kellen Michalowski, at lyfstmarks@gmail.com

Learn more about LYF by scanning this QR Code with a smartphone!



2023–2024 Youth Ministry Calendar



Lutheran Youth of Faith
St. Mark's Evangelical
Lutheran Church
Harrisburg, PA

September '23

- 17th – Kickoff Scavenger Hunt & Worship
Ending at Camp Nawakwa
- 22nd–24th – Alive Jr. High Synod Retreat
at Camp Nawakwa

October '23

- 1st – Mt. Gretna Hike & Youth Meeting
at Palm, Palmyra
- 8th – LYF Jr. Meeting
LYF Meeting
- 28th – PA Renaissance Faire Day Trip

November '23

- 2nd – Empowerment Project Flex Meeting
at Chaka CrossFit
- 5th – LYF Jr. Meeting
- 11th – Spaghetti Dinner Church Fundraiser
- 19th – LYF Meeting

December '23

- 1st–3rd – Winter MEGA–Retreat
at Camp Nawakwa
- 10th – LYF Sr. High Meeting
- 17th – Family Gingerbread Day
LYF Christmas Party



LYF Meetings are typically 5pm to 8pm and include dinner. They are open to all current 6th–12th graders

LYF Jr. Meetings are typically 12pm to 2pm and include lunch. They are open to all current K–5th graders

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January '24

- 4th – Empowerment Project Flex Meeting
at Chaka CrossFit
- 5th–7th – Winterfest Sr. High Synod Retreat
at Wyndham Resort, Lancaster
- 14th – LYF Jr. Meeting
LYF Meeting

February '24

- 4th – LYF Jr. Meeting
LYF Meeting
- 9th–10th – Lock-In
- 18th – LYF Meeting

March '24

- 3rd – LYF Jr. Meeting
LYF Meeting
- 7th – Empowerment Project Flex Meeting
at Chaka CrossFit
- 16th – Bunny Breakfast

April '24

- 7th – LYF Jr. Meeting
LYF Meeting
- 27th – Wittel Farm Flex Meeting



May '24

- 3rd–5th – Sr. High & Young Adults Retreat
at Camp Nawakwa
- 11th – Wittel Farm Flex Meeting
- 19th – Youth Sunday – Breakfast Church
LYF Meeting

June '24

- 9th – LYF Last Meeting
- 16th – 22nd – Confirmation Camp

July '24

- 6th – Flea Market Fundraiser
- 16th–20th – ELCA National Youth Gathering
Expect 1 or 2 days before/after for travel
- 28th–Aug. 3rd – Synod LT Camp

August '24

- 10th – Wittel Farm Day of Mission



St. Mark's hosts a **free community breakfast on the 2nd Saturday of every month!** All are welcome!

Flex Meetings are non-Sunday events that are open to all! Family members, friends, congregational members are all welcome!