

The 2017 Mission Trip is quickly approaching! In 10 days we will be loading up the vans and making our way to Boston. We are looking forward to the awesome week of ministry that awaits us as we walk alongside residents of Lynn, MA, where we **WILL** have the opportunity to see Christ.

Listed below are a few details we want to make sure you have, so keep this information sheet somewhere you can find it! **In the case of an EMERGENCY**, please use the contact #'s at the bottom of this page for Paul Erdmann and Martin Rathjen, who will get you in contact with your student at the earliest, appropriate time.

- 1) Load Vans & Depart: **FRIDAY, June 16th at 11:30am**. We plan to be on the road at 12:00pm. Please arrive on time.
- 2) Return to EP: **SATURDAY, June 24th at 10:00pm**. All students are expected to clean vans before being picked up.

On the Road: We will be staying overnight on the way to Boston at Christ the King Lutheran Church in South Bend, IN (6/16) and at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Verona, NY (6/17). On the drive home we will stay at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Conneaut, OH (6/23).

Spending Money: All **meals** will be covered on the trip. Extras may include ice cream or snacks picked up after your day of ministry, and t-shirt sales at the end of the week.

Packing: We will be white water rafting on the way to Boston and going to a beach one afternoon during our service week, so be sure you've got a swimsuit packed. Girls can either wear a one piece suit or wear a t-shirt over a bikini style suit. Also, be sure you have footwear that you can use while rafting. You can use water shoes or sandals that strap onto your feet. You **CAN NOT** use crocs or flip flops.

Please follow the clothing policy of YouthWorks during our service week—no spaghetti strap or tank tops and shorts must be long enough that you can not touch skin with your fingertips when standing up straight.

Please don't over pack! Space will be tight in the vans.

Housing Information:

We will be staying at Grace United Methodist Church in Lynn, MA, June 18-23. The church is air conditioned.

Showers:

We will shower after each ministry day at St. Mary's High School in Lynn. Bring a backpack or small bag to carry your toiletries, towel and clean clothes with you to your ministry site. The showers are open/public style. Youth can bring a swimsuit if they would like for privacy purposes. You may also want a pair of flip flops. We also will make sure that youth and adult leaders are not showering at the same time to be above board on privacy.

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White Water Rafting: North Creek Rafting Company

The Indian River trip is 3 miles of Class II-III whitewater. Normally run as the first part of the Hudson River Day Trip, the Indian River is one of the most exciting parts of the trip, essentially two 1.5-mile long rapids. Trip ends with a 1/2 mile hike to our waiting vehicle.

We will be right between their Spring/Summer clothing recommendations which range from Wool/Synthetic top/bottom & hats to swim suits! The extended forecast at this time looks pretty nice, but we'll keep an eye on everything. Wetsuits are included if we find the weather a bit chilly when arrive. If you have a quick-dry long sleeve top and nylon shorts, have them ready. NO Crocs, flip-flops, or bare feet. You **MUST HAVE** shoes you can wear in the water or sandals that strap down on your feet. There is a 1/2 mile hike at the end of our rafting day back to the vans.

Evening Activities during our Mission week in Boston:

Visit Nahant Beach, explore Quincy Market, have dinner with clients at My Brother's Table & hear a local speaker and host a community cookout at Grace United Methodist Church.

Sleeping Arrangements at Grace UMC:

Girls will be sleeping in the sanctuary - Central Air

Boys will sleep in the classroom - Window AC unit

*You can bring a blow up air mattress or camping pad. If your mattress is a queen size, two people will be expected to sleep on that due to limited floor space. Rooms are often warm, even with air conditioning, so you will not need a sleeping bag rated to zero degrees!

Lake Erie:

We will stop for lunch on day 2 of our trip Eastward at the town of Conneaut, OH on Lake Erie. We will also spend our last night of the trip in Conneaut, OH, at Good Shepherd Lutheran, across the street from Lake Erie.

Trip Participants:

Carter Anderson, Kayla Apelt, Julia Brown, Nancy Costa, Kaden Czech, Evy Geitzenauer, Josh Hagen, Nick Hagen, Elsie Hanken, Cade Hanson, Grace Held, Hannah Held, Antonio Hernandez, Abby Hinrichs, Braden Johnson, Jake Kinch, Grace Porter, Jeremy Porter, Nick Totall, Zach Van Fossan, Jacob Williamson.

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