



ALL SAINTS

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Crossroads Lenten Faith Mentoring Program 2018

During Lent we take a break from regular Crossroads for youth to meet individually with a faith mentor. Please see below for details on the Faith Mentoring Program.

WHAT IS THE LENTEN FAITH MENTORING PROGRAM?

- The Faith mentoring program pairs individual Confirmation youth (grades 7 -9) with individual adults of the congregation in order to talk about faith and life issues and to experience the Lenten journey together.
- Faith mentors do not take the place of parents, pastors, or guides; they provide one additional connecting point for youth to Christian adults and the congregation.
- The mentoring program is intended to help each young person develop a relationship with another adult besides their parents who will care about them and listen to them.
- Youth should select a different mentor each year of Crossroads so that they get to know other people.

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

- Each Crossroads youth will ask an adult (non-family member) in the congregation to be their faith mentor. Pairs will meet together 4 - 6 times on Wednesday nights at church before or after the Wednesday evening Lenten Worship Service. A discussion guide will be provided for each pair to help guide your weekly conversations.
- Youth, mentors and parent(s) of youth will attend the orientation session (Faith Mentoring 101) on Wednesday February 7 at 6:45 p.m. in the Sanctuary.
- Once the pair has completed a minimum of 4 sessions together the Confirmand will submit a completion form to Kristine.

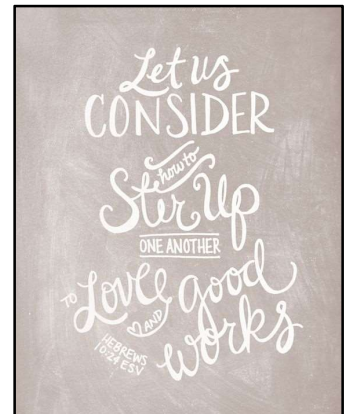
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Checkpoint dates of Faith Mentoring Program

- Now - Feb. 4
 - Youth and parent(s) should talk together and think about who to ask to be his/her faith mentor.
 - Youth should take the initiative to contact whether in person, via phone or e-mail to ask him/her if they would be willing to be their mentor.
 - Once youth has a mentor he/she should write their name on the mentor sign-up board on the Crossroads slots.
- Feb. 4 - Deadlines to choose a mentor and write name on sign-up sheet.
- Feb. 7, 6:45 p.m. - Faith Mentoring 101 in the Sanctuary.
 - Crossroads youth, parents of youth and mentors will meet for this.
- Lent Wednesdays - Feb. 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14, 21 (meet together minimum of 4 times).
- Submit certificate of completion form to Kristine when you have completed 4 sessions together.

Faith Mentors should meet the following criteria...

- An active member of All Saints Lutheran Church
- An adult, at least 21 years of age
- A person with whom they are open to discussing faith and life questions
- Not their parent and not their own Crossroads guide, or a family member.
- Be willing to submit a background check application form (only needs to be done once every 3 years).
- Youth should ask a different faith mentor each year of Crossroads.



If you have any further questions about the Lenten Faith Mentoring Program and/or need help finding a faith mentor, please contact Kristine Clemens at 952-934-3550, ext. 17, or kclemens@allsaintsmtka.org.

Thank you for being a part of Crossroads at All Saints!