

Our goal in youth ministry is to help bring the youth of our church and our area into a deeper relationship with God, and in closer relationships with each other and the church as a whole. During this time in their lives youth are struggling to understand who they are, and are bombarded with voices of people telling them that they will only be worth something if they look like this, have that, or achieve this, we want to show them God's abounding love.

Let's Stay in Touch!

There is so much happening at church it is often hard to keep track of it all. Because of this, we encourage you to email us so we can add you to our **weekly email list**, which gives you a brief update on what is going on in the coming weeks. We also encourage you to check out the youth portion of our **church website**, where you can find brochures for trips, upcoming events, the latest **Youth Newsletter**, and even pay for trips online: www.waynepres.org/youth. We also encourage you and your youth to friend Sarah or Andrew on **facebook** or add us on **Instagram** (@theehostetters) and we can keep you in the loop through social media.



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Youth Worship Leadership Team

We see again and again how much our youth have to give to our church and world. Because of this, we created this ministry to make space for youth to use their gifts in worship. Not only do you get to know all of the program and pastoral staff on a personal level, but you also get to be apart of planning and leading the worship, while fully robed and seen as someone who the Spirit can work through. This group was so great last year, so we are excited to have more youth join our team. Any teen who signs up is saying yes to about helping lead worship two Sunday's a month, working to get your liturgy done on time, and to growing in your faith. We would love to have you on our worship team, and train you to help lead our church in praising our God!

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Ministry Program

Our Mission Statement

We strive to provide a loving, accepting environment where teens come to know God's love intimately, develop their faith, experience Christian community, and are empowered to serve others.

Sunday Morning

Middle School Sunday School 9:30am

6th and 7th graders will be meeting each Sunday in rooms 203 for their Sunday School classes. Over these two years they work their way through the whole Bible, touching on major people and events, seeing God's plan unfolding through history, and discussing what it means to them today.

Confirmation 9:30am

8th graders, and any other youth who want to join, we will be meeting for Confirmation in the Wayne Senior Center each Sunday through May. With their small groups they will be digging into some great theological concepts, asking some great questions, and deciding what they believe about God, faith, and the Church.

High School Sunday School 9:30am

9th - 12th graders will be meeting in room 208/209 each Sunday for their classes. Together they will study Scripture, discuss its connection to their lives, and get to know one another.

In general, Sunday morning is a great time for your youth to come study the Bible, make friends, and dig deeper into their faith.

Sunday Evening

Youth Group 6-8pm

On Sunday evenings our middle and high school youth group meet. The evening starts with dinner, which is almost always pizza with a salad and dessert, where we all hang out and catch up with one another. Then most days we split into our different groups. Our middle schoolers usually plays a game like human hungry-hungry hippos or live action clue, gets into a discussion on faith and their lives, and spends time in prayer for each other. Meanwhile our high school group does it's own parallel discussions, games, and prayer. Some nights though we spend most of the night in service, or prayer, or worship, or just fun.

In general, youth group focuses more on building relationships and support systems for our teens, and having discussions about their reality and where God is in the midst of it. These groups are great for people new to the church, wanting to learn more about God, who are wanting a group to be loved and encouraged by, or to have fun with. While everything we do in youth ministry is fun, because life's too short not to be fun, it is definitely more emphasized here than on Sunday morning.

Youth Choir

The Westminster choir is looking for musicians of all experience levels in grades 6-12. We rehearse from 5-6pm on Sunday evenings and sing in worship about twice a month, and have other retreats and choir tours

In general, we are a group that likes to sing, build community, and glorify God with our gifts. We'd love your voice in our choir!

Wednesdays

The Chill

On Wednesdays all middle school youth are invited to the church for an afternoon of fun and relaxation. At the Chill we play games, grab a snack, play video games, and just hang out from 3-4:30pm.

Anchor

On Wednesday evenings high school youth are invited to fun at the Hostetter house from 6-7:30pm. We eat together, play games, sit around a campfire, talk about life, and just have fun with our friends.

In general, Chill and Anchor are programs meant for our teens to get a chance to relax and have some fun with their friends mid-week. It is a way to build community and friendships with other Christians and leaders.

