ELCA Youth Gathering 2024 Created to Be July 15-21, 2024 New Orleans, LA

Who can come?

Youth participants must be in 8th to 12th grade at the time of registration (Fall 2023). Adult leaders accompanying youth to the Gathering must be at least 21 years old at the time of the Gathering.

What do we do at a Gathering?

- 5 Goals:
- 1) Affirm & Challenge Faith
- 2) Experience New Perspectives
- 3) Ponder their vocation
- 4) Bond with their congregational group,
- 5) Learn about the ELCA and our partners.

One day is a service day, another is a synod day, and another is a day spent in the convention center in experiential learning. Each night ends with 35,000 worshiping together in the SuperDome and then dispersing to hotel ballrooms for high school led fun.

Schedule:

Depart ? It's 17 hours to drive. It could be 8:30 departure; go 10 hours til

7:00. Drive another 7 Tuesday to arrive by 6:00?

Tuesday, July 16

5:30 Doors open for Mass Gathering @ Caesars Superdome

7:00 - 8:45 Mass gathering 9:15 - 10:45 Community Life

11:00 Final 15

Wednesday - Friday (July 17-19)

Daytimes

8:00 - 3:00	Accompaniment Day
10:00 - 3:30	Interactive Learning Day

10:00 - 2:00 Synod Day

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Saturday, July 20

8:30	Doors Open for Final worship
9:30 - 11:30	Final Mass Gathering for Worship

Sunday, July 21

Return? We could have left by 12:30 Saturday, driving 7 hours. 10 more on

Sunday, arriving at Onalaska by 7:00PM

Costs

Priority Registration (Sept. 15-Nov. 1, 2023): \$375

Regular Registration (Nov. 2, 2023–Feb. 14, 2024): \$425

Late Registration (Feb. 15-April 15, 2024): \$475

A \$100 NONrefundable, per-person deposit is due at time of registration.

Food: \$200 Breakfast x 4 \$10/meal x 4 = \$40

Lunch x 4 (7/24 @ church) \$15/meal x 4 = \$60 Dinner x 4 \$20/meal x 4 = \$80 Snacks x 4 \$5/day x 4 = \$20

Travel: \$350 In a coach bus

Lodging \$50/night This is a guess based on 4 kids per room.

Adult leaders would either be double or quadruple this amount.

New Orleans experiences? \$100

Total Early Bird = \$375 early bird reg. + \$200 food + \$200 lodging + \$350 transport + \$100 experiences =

Total = \$1,225

Adult Leaders

- First Lutheran will seek to have **one** adult leader per **six** youth.
- Adult leaders are expected to attend the "Getting Ready" Meetings and are not just along for the ride.

Priority Registration began Sept 15!!!!!!!

We want to register by Oct 8 because
Early Birds catch the best hotels!