## Report to Congregation Council Peter A. Fox - April 2019

Greetings to all in the name of the Lord. Rather than waste any time, here is what we did in the month of March. We started of the month on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup>, with our Annual YG PANCAKE BREAKFAST. Over 100 congregation members and families came out for this breakfast of fellowship with one another. We were able to raise around \$800 to go towards the 2019 Sr. High Mission Trip to North Carolina this coming summer. The morning was a success, and we were overwhelmed with positive comments. ON Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> we had YG. Around 35 YG and advisors came out for this YG. Continuing with our J.O.Y. theme for the year, the focus of the night was SELFISHNESS and looked at how selfish we can be as human beings. It is so easy to just think of ourselves, and living for ourselves is modeled all around us everyday. Discussing this very fact, it moves us to try to live a more selfless life, using Jesus as the example. To bring the point of selflessness home even further, we looked to the biblical book of Ester as a great inspiration for living this word out. Through activities and good conversation, the night was awesome!

On Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> we had SR. HIGH MOVIE NIGHT. 15 Sr. High YG and handful of advisors came out for this night of total fun and fellowship. As usual we watched another 80's classic movie. It was great to have a night just sitting around enjoying a pizza and watching a movie with the Sr. High. The last Sunday of the month was YG GAME NIGHT. Around 30 YG and advisors came out for this night of total fun and YG craziness. We atarted the night with pizza, then quickly moved outside to play some wacky YG games. Once frozen (it was cold), we came back inside to play even more games for the rest of the night. We closed down the evening with a quick circle prayer. It was an awesome night and a ton of fun.

Sunday morning classes for the middle school and high school youth have been going great! First off, Confirmation this season has been a blast. There are 15 students, and 4 adult small group discussion leaders to help out with class. The kids are participating in class and getting involved in service throughout our church and communities. This is one of the best classes that we have had so far. Ditto for the Jr. High "Faith Connect" class and the Sr. High F.O.J. "Friends of Jesus" class. In the 6<sup>th</sup>-7th Grade class, we are blessed with 3 dedicated teachers who make this class a success. Those who come out have a lot of fun every week with cool videos and interactive learning. The Sr. High class, although small, engages in weekly deep discussion and serves throughout our church community. Sometimes, the class also takes part in Jane Killian's Sunday morning class, which is awesome.

Lastly, we continue to finalize plans for the Sr. High Mission Trip this summer to North

Carolina. We have 20 people attending total (13 Sr. High YG, 5 College YG, and 2 YG Advisors. This is a great turnout! We will once again be working with LutheranHANDS. We are going down south to North Carolina to help out those dealing with the recent flooding issues. There will be more lots more news in these next few months as we get ready for a mission trip of this magnitude. Please come out to Isaac's in the Lemoyne Plaza THIS Wednesday and support this mission trip effort. That's all for now.

Yours In Christ,
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