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Northeastern Iowa Synod Youth Ministry

Dear Friends,

It's good to plan ahead. It's good to be together. It's great to plan ahead to be together so look below for JJJ Leadership Training in April, a spiritual retreat in October, the Extravaganza in February and the next LYO Assembly in a year. By putting these events in your calendar now you are making a pledge to yourself to be surrounded by your brothers and sisters in Christ all year long.

\$500 Grant for Youth Groups

Do Something.org has Disaster Grants available to youth working in disaster preparedness or emergency response. The grants are \$500 and will be given out each week this year. You can find more information at:

<http://www.dosomething.org/grants/disaster>

LYO Assembly, March 13-14, 2010!

The 17th Annual Assembly of the Northeastern Iowa Synod's Lutheran Youth Organization will be held **March 13-14, 2010** at the Grand River Center in Dubuque, IA.

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Upcoming Events

March 27-29, 2009
Dirty Feet Retreat,
EWALU

March 28, 2009



Leader Training Events

Two leader training events will be held in this synod. Topics covered will include the schedule, servant life, safety, meals, packing,

behavior, and helpful hints. The events will be held

Saturday, April 25, at 10:00am in the Social Room at St. Paul's in Waverly or 1:30pm Sunday, April 26 in the Fireside room at First Lutheran Church in Decorah.

The events are being planned for Adults Leaders who will be attending the Gathering but others like students or parents are welcome.



Gathering Update

After June 8, leaders can go on-line and see their group's ServantLife project assignment. Have your Primary Leader's email address and congregational ID # in hand, then go to your online registration record.

Learn more about ServantLife and compassionate justice in New Orleans.

Flooding

March is a good time to be prepared for the Spring Floods. There are several resources to help you remind families and congregation to be prepared.

www.floodsafety.noaa.gov; <http://tadd.weather.gov>; www.floodsmart.gov.

Riverside Youth Leader Spiritual Retreat

Dates: October 4 (6:00pm)-October 6(3:00pm)
What? Come to [Riverside](#) for a spiritual renewal experience that you won't want to miss. Our time together includes: great speakers, purposeful breakouts, worship, special music, plenty of sabbath time and free time including: golf, prayer labyrinth, horseback riding, trails by the river, volleyball, disc golf, and more. We

Recharge, Riverside

March 29, 2009

Safeguarding Training,
Monona

April 4, 2009

Recharge,
Riverside

April 16, 2009

Youth Ministry
Network, Decorah
Lutheran 10:00

May 3-6, 2009

Feed My Starving
Children, Wartburg

May 14, 2009 Youth
Ministry Network, St.
John Arlington,
10:00am

June 5-7, 2009

Synod Assembly

June 11, 2009 Youth

Ministry Network,
EWALU, 10:00am

July 9-16, 2009

WIYLDE, Luther
College

July 15-29, 2009

Wartburg Seminary
Youth Leadership

hope you'll join us at Riverside for a time of personal renewal, fellowship with others, and a time of relaxation for you. Speaker information and cost will be available in the next few months, but save the date! If you know of any other youth workers outside of the synod, please pass this on to them as well!

This event is co-sponsored by Riverside and the Northeastern Iowa Synod!

Green Lutherans

Earth Day is April 22 so the March-April issue of [Seed for the Parish](#) has lots of information about being Green. You can see the whole issue either sitting on your Pastor's Desk or at [Seed for the Parish](#) this issue includes:

[How to Start a Nature Garden at your congregation](#)
[Eco-Friendly Lutheran from Around the World](#)
[Ways to be Green including curriculum or Sunday School and Youth](#)

Job Opening

COORDINATOR FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND EVENTS

The Northeastern Iowa Synod has an opening for an individual with demonstrated experience in web sites and publications, offers good organizational skills, and motivation to meet deadlines. College degree required. ELCA rostered preferred. Working knowledge of Microsoft Word, Raisers Edge, and FrontPage helpful. 24-28 hours per week with benefits. Send letter of application and resume by March 31.

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School

July 22-26, 2009
ELCA Youth Gathering,
New Orleans

August 6, 2009 Youth
Ministry Network,
Riverside, 10:00am

August 5-6, 2009
Tour de Revs, Waverly

Aug 29-30, 2009
LYO Board Retreat

Sept 12, 2009
JJJ -The Tour
Wartburg College

Oct 4-6, 2009
Youth Leader Spiritual
Retreat
Riverside LBC

October 16-17, 2009
Jr. High Lock-in at
UNI (tentative)

November 14-15,
2009 Church Youth
Fest, Luther College

Feb 4-8, 2010
[Extravaganza](#)
Charlotte, NC

March 13-14, 2010 LYO

Assembly

Another Job Opening

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA) seeks a half-time coordinator for its parish education programs: Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, multiple small group and weekly large group studies. Application review begins March 16, 2009, and position remains open until filled. Send cover letter and resume, with names and contact information for three references to Pastor Curt Schneider, St. Paul's Ev. Lutheran Church, 112 Second Ave NW, Waverly IA 50677 More Information: [Click Here](#)

Northeastern Iowa Synod, ELCA's LYO Web site: www.neiasynod.org/youth

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