



ALLIANCE YOUTH

GAC Youth News & Events October 2026

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Thursday Night at the Well (6:30pm - 8:15pm) & Youth Sunday School (9:30am - 10:30am)

On Thursday nights, both Middle School and High School students are invited to join us from 6:30-8:15pm at the church. These meetings are the hub of our youth ministry and are designed to play an important part in the lives of our teens.

On Sunday mornings, both Middle School and High School students meet each week in the Youth Room off of the Fellowship Hall at 9:30am for a fantastic lesson and a light breakfast. At this time after we share a breakfast and watch a video together, we are also splitting the students up into small groups for lesson-based discussions.

Additionally, check out our Youth Group seasonal schedule on the church website, app, and in the Youth Room for an overview of our upcoming events.

Corn Maze - Thursday, October 8 (6:30-9:00pm) (Rain date October 15)

Our annual Corn Maze is coming up on October 9 at Lonesome Valley Farm (180 Fairgrounds Road, Greensburg, PA) by Westmoreland County Fairgrounds. As in past years we have rented out the entire maze for our group. This means there is no limit on the number of students that we can bring to the event, so please feel free to invite a ton of friends! Please sign up on the list on the youth bulletin board so that we have a general idea of the number of students going so we can give the Cornmaze an idea of how to staff. If you want to bring extra friends on the day of the event it will be fine, the more the merrier. The maze will not include any of the haunted elements.

Important Details:

- We will meet at the maze (not the church!)
- Show up at 6:30pm SHARP so we can begin the event on time
- The cost is \$10 cash for admission on the day of the event (bring additional money for snacks)
- Bring a flashlight (not just your cell phone) and footwear that can get muddy

"Jolt" Middle School Retreat (Grades 6-8) - October 23-25 (Registration Deadline - October 15)

On October 23-25, all Middle school students (Grade 6-8) are invited to a District retreat called "Jolt" at Laurelville Camp in Mt. Pleasant, PA. The retreat will feature amazing speakers, awesome times of worship, fellowship, and tons of other fun stuff. The total cost for the retreat is \$110 per student (this is a discounted rate). Event packets are available at the church and on the church website and app.

To register please return a deposit of \$20 to the drop box in the Youth Room by October 15 and put your name on the clipboard. All money is due on the day of departure. A packing list with departure details will be distributed once registration closes. The deadline is approaching fast so please register soon!

Harvest Party - Thursday, October 29 (6:30-8:15pm)

Join us for a Fall themed Harvest Party! At the Harvest Party there will be awesome food, fun games, and competitions with prizes. This is a great event to bring a friend, or two, or five!

For this year's party the theme will be "Renaissance Festival" so get creative and dress up and you might win a prize. This is a great opportunity to bring some friends, and prepare for an awesome night. There will be an evangelistic message at the end that will highlight Jesus' call to have eyes that see that the harvest is plentiful but the laborers are few (Luke 10:2). There is no need to sign-up, just invite a friend and show up!

Operation Christmas Child Donations

Each year we collect various items through November to pack shoeboxes for our Operation Christmas Child outreach. Last year we set and exceeded an ambitious goal of 250 shoeboxes! This year we will be looking to do the same. These next few months are important as we are looking for any donations that will help us fill our shoeboxes (small toys, washcloths, toothbrushes, slightly bigger "wow" items, etc.). Feel free to contact Pastor Rigel for suggestions. All donations can be returned to Rigel directly or placed in the OCC bin in the Youth Room.

Staying in the Loop

Do you feel like you miss what's going on from time to time? Here are 3 ways that you can stay informed.

- 1- Grab a paper copy or download our monthly youth handout from the youth section on the church website.
- 2- Check out the Fall/Winter event schedule which covers September-December (Also found on the church website).
- 3- Download the Greensburg Alliance Church App and enable "Youth" push notifications & utilize our youth texting service by emailing your name and cell number to gacyouth@gmail.com. You'll receive an "opt in" text. Reply "Yes"

Upcoming Event Reminders: Random Acts of Raking (Nov. 1) & YG With a Missionary (Nov. 12)