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GAC Youth News & Events Pastor Rigel’s Contact Information

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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.

Cookout at Twin Lakes (Pavillion 8- Lower-lake) - Thursday, May 15(6:30 - 8:15pm)

Join us on Thursday, May 15d for a cookout at Twin Lakes Pavillion 8 (Lower Lake) (rain date May 22) for a fantastic time of fellowship, food and a fun location. There is a parking lot right near the pavilion so you can just pull up to get dropped off or park. There will be a playground, cornhole, food, fishing (check PA for license requirements if you are 16 or older). We will be outside the entire time so please dress accordingly. Plan to be dropped off at 6:30pm and picked up by 8:15pm. Don’t miss out on this amazing event! There is no need to sign-up, just show up and have fun. In the event of rain, we will be having youth group at the church and moving the cookout to the following week (5/22).

Bowling Fundraiser (Pledges begin May 29), Bowling is on Sunday, June 22 (12:15 - 2:30pm)

Our Bowling Fundraiser is back! Students will have a chance to raise money for LIFE, the Alive Music Festival trip and various youth trips by receiving pledges per pins and then joining us to bowl on June 22. On Thursday May 16, students may pick up pledge sheets from Pastor Rigel or download them from the church website and start getting pledges.

On Sunday afternoon, June 22nd after the 2nd service, we will meet in the Fellowship Hall for a quick bite and then head over to Main Bowling Center (transportation provided). Each student will bowl two games and will record the better score. Students need to bring $9 cash and make plans to be picked up at Main Bowling Center (513 South Main St., Greensburg, PA).  Students who aren’t fundraising are still invited to go bowling with our group. Please put your name on the sign-up list in the youth Sunday school room (sign up will go up in early June) if you plan on attending. If you are raising money, please collect it and turn it in by June 29th.

Meet the Missionary - Sunday, May 25(10:30-11am)

As many of you have heard, the youth ministry at GAC will be heading to the Dominican Republic in June of 2026 for a mission’s trip with Envision DR. We are excited that we will be hosting international worker Brandon Nutter (Envision Director of the DR) on Sunday May 25th. Because we want all students to hear him speak on Sunday morning, we will not be having youth Sunday School on Sunday, May 25th. But all students are invited to a brief meet and greet in the Youth Room. At this meeting students will have a chance to grab a quick bite and interact with Brandon between services. There is no need to sign up. Just show up and hang out.

Alive Music Festival Registration - July 16- 20 (Deadline June 9)

Come join us on July 16-20 for a fantastic trip to Alive Music Festival in Mineral City, OH at Atwood Lake Park. The trip will include concerts, speakers, camping, swimming and a lot of fun! The total cost for this year’s trip will be $275. This fee will include festival entrance, all meals at the festival, transportation, camping and a custom-made group t-shirt. Students should plan on bringing pocket money for the trip as well as money for food on the way up.

To register please turn in a deposit of $50 and put your name on the sign-up list in the youth Sunday School room. The deadline for registration is June 8. Please note that there will be a mandatory info meeting at 8pm on Thursday, June 19 after Youth Group. There will also be a trip prep day on July 15 at the church where students are encouraged to show up for a few hours to help us prepare for the trip. Please look at and review our trip information packet located in the youth section on the church website/app. Don’t miss out on this fantastic trip. We hope to see you there!

Christian Foundations Class

Two months ago, we began an 8-week class called Christian Foundations that takes place during the 11am service. This is a college level theology course that is designed for students who want to go deeper in their understanding of systematic theology. Any student that joins us will receive a binder with lecture notes to keep for free. The dates for the remaining 4 classes are May 4th & 11th, June 1st & 15th. If you are interested, please either show up or connect with Pastor Rigel for more details.

Summer Schedule of Youth Events

We are excited that our summer schedule of youth events is here. This is a very important schedule to keep around as it outlines all of the events concerning our youth ministry through the end of August. It includes various trips, outings and special youth group nights. You can find it on the youth section of both the Church App and the church website where you will be able to be access it at any time.