

Youth and Family Update 2/8/12

Dir. Youth Family Ministry hours: **Mon-Thursday 9-4pm. Best way to contact me is by phone 561-3140, or email mwilson@presbyplatt.org**

Family News

Sunday:

Beartown: This Sunday from 5:00-8:00 PM. They have been making snow all week with the cold weather so we can have plenty to play in for skiing and sledding. Bring a dish to share for our potluck supper and youth council will provide the hot drinks and paper goods. Bring your friends and neighbors, the more the merrier.

Upcoming:

Fat Friday: February 17th from 6:30-8:00pm. Our youth are having a great time working on their skit to entertain you this year. In addition to our skit, there will be group games, fattening desserts, and laughter for the whole family. Bring a dessert to share, friends and family.

Tubing at Titus: Saturday February 18th, 1:00PM, meet at the church. RSVP to me because we need 15 people to get the \$13 rate! I will call to make arrangements for us to tube from 2:30-4:30. We will need drivers. Wilsons will be staying to ski from 4:30-10PM and you are welcome to stay too if you want to ski. \$24 adult, \$20 child.

Adult Retreat: March 9-11th 2012. Come and join us for an Adult Retreat at the Mountain House in Keene, NY. The Rev. Jessie Doerrer, Interfaith Chaplain at CVPH, is our retreat leader for the weekend. The theme is Creation and Re-Creation: Connecting and Caring for God's Beautiful World. We will begin the retreat program at 7 p.m. on Friday evening, and finish with Worship on Sunday morning. The cost is \$100 per person for the full weekend, including meals, or \$30 per person for Saturday only, including lunch and dinner, no overnight. The deadlines for overnight booking are February 20, and for Saturday only, March 1. There will be free time on Saturday afternoon for relaxing indoor activities, or for enjoying the outdoors in the beautiful High Peaks area. Contact Marianne Wilson for more details or to reserve your place.

Family Meeting: February 28th 5:30. We will begin with a soup dinner followed by an hour long discussion. This is our opportunity as a church family to sit down and talk together about our church family. Every other month we get the opportunity to talk as a group about what is working or not working within our church and programs. Please take the time to be a part of the conversation. Youth are encouraged to attend with their families. Child care will be available for those who needed it.

Youth News

Senior High: Sundays 10:30 during Church School time

Pizza Plus: Mondays 5:00-6:30

Junior High: Mondays 6:00-7:30

Spotlight on YOUth:

Music: I would be missing a great opportunity if I didn't tell you that the All County Music Festival over the weekend was amazing. All 3 groups performing raised the bar of excellence for next year. Additional musicians that performed that I did not know about for last week's publication: Lydia Bailey and James Paolicelli.

Scholastic Achievements: Eunice Choe's team won 1st Place at the Science Olympiad and will be moving on to the State Level. Report cards came home last week... I am so proud of all of you that are in sports, music, dance... and still maintain exceptional grades. Kudos to those of you who pulled up those grades for 2nd semester, I know it wasn't easy.

Athletics: Eusung Choe is having a great hockey season. He is playing on quite a few different teams and tournaments that my head was spinning listening to his schedule. Good luck.

*If you are wondering how to get your achievements recognized in the Youth Update, the hint is, **you need to tell me.***

Summer Mission Trip: First Mission trip meeting will be held on March 1st. Final deposit of \$50 will be due at that meeting if you haven't already made it. This meeting will be for participants and parents. This is the paperwork meeting for parents and group building for participants. If you have a friend that you would like to bring, this meeting is important for them to attend. Dates: July 8-14, 2012 in Broadalbin, NY with Reach Workcamps for youth entering 7th grade and up.

Youth Service Auction: April 28th from 5-8PM. Start thinking about what you can offer this year. Donation slips will be found on my door in February. (Not quite ready)

Musicals and plays: It's that time of year! I have compiled the list of area schools and their respective dates. Enjoy a musical, even if you don't know anyone in it.

This weekend: Beekmantown presents: **Possibilities: A Musical Revue-** Come enjoy an evening of over 25 songs and dances from 17 different Broadway musicals in the world of theater including: • Grease • Rent • West Side Story • Hairspray • Mama Mia • Sweeney Todd • Les Misérables to name but a few. \$6 admission.

PHS: "Footloose" March 9th, 10th, 11th

Peru: "13" March 9th, 10th, 11th

AVCS: "Wizard of Oz" March 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th

Chazy: "Gypsy" March 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th

Quick Glance Calendar:

February 12th: Beartown ski/sledding 5-8PM

February 17th 2012: Fat Friday 6:30-8:00 PM

February 18th: Tubing at Titus, 1:00PM meet at church, \$13.

February 28th: Church Family meeting 5:30-7:00

March 1st: Mission trip meeting and Reach Workcamp deposit due

March 4th: Communion Education: Pottery making a cup and plate.
March 9-11th: Adult Weekend retreat in Keene
April 1st: Communion Education: Wine, stomping grapes and making pretzels.
April 8th: Easter Sunday
April 28th: Youth Service Auction 5-8PM potluck with auction to follow.
July 8-14th 2012: Reach Mission Trip to Broadalbin, NY