

Pastor's Assistants are youth in middle school or high school who are interested and/or have a desire to serve Bethany by working alongside a pastor on Sunday morning. In addition to being sure things are ready for the morning services, PAs also serve the pastors by sitting with them at worship and providing prayer and support during the service. Training sessions are given prior to serving, and will be offered periodically during the year.

_____ I am interested in being a Pastor's Assistant

*We the parent/guardian of _____ (child's full name) do hereby give consent for our son/daughter to ride in the designated vehicle of Bethany Lutheran Church for activities mentioned previous.

*Both parents must sign unless only one parent has legal custody. In such case, please indicate non-custodial parents name and whether to contact them in case of emergency.

Mother's signature _____

Father's signature _____

Legal guardian's signature _____

Non-custodial parent number: _____ Contact? Y / N

_____ Please check if you do NOT want your image (still or video) used in marketing or promotional materials for Bethany Lutheran Church Youth Ministry.

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Continuing on Your Journey

Welcome to the next destination of your faith journey at Bethany. We believe that the spiritual growth of our youth is a journey, continuous, fluid and ever growing toward life-long discipleship with and for Jesus Christ. We believe that participating in the experiences listed below will help lead you toward that life long discipleship with Christ.

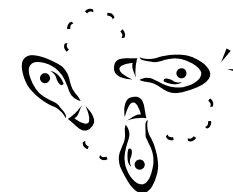


In the middle school journey at Bethany, youth learned to fill their backpacks with essential tools needed for their journey. As you grow in your discipleship, the opportunity to use those tools is important as you begin to build real relationships with each other and Christ in your life. In **high school**, you will find experiences that may allow you to take a deeper step by living with others and developing your "in" relationships, worshipping and discovering God in "up" time, and reaching outside yourselves through "out" time in small groups called **DMD Groups**. See special DMD brochure.

Because it is YOUR spiritual journey, other **Discipleship Experiences** are available to help and enrich you on your journey, leading you closer and closer to Jesus.



HIGH SCHOOL 2007-08



Your Discipleship Journey at Bethany

"Shaping the lives of youth
into disciples of Christ"



DMD (Disciple Making Disciple) Groups are small gender specific groups who are learning to live, laugh, pray, study, and go deeper with each other and Jesus. They hang together approximately 1 time a week, shaping their lives into disciples, whereby they can learn to live UP with God, IN community with each other, and reach OUT beyond themselves into the world. *Regular participation of a DMD Group is required for the Discipleship Celebration.*

Discipleship Experiences equip us to live the life of a disciple. Opportunities include Mission trips, Alpha retreats, and other opportunities brought through your DMD group.

Alpha equips us with the basics of the Christian faith leads youth to an understanding of such things as Who is Jesus? How can I be sure of my faith? Who is the Holy Spirit? How can I resist evil? Youth are to complete the Youth Alpha Course during their Middle School years, most often in 6th grade, and Adult Alpha is offered for high school students.

Discipleship Celebration

This recognition and celebration will be held in the spring for all youth 11th grade or older who have been actively involved in a DMD Group where they have learned to “do life” deeply with others and Jesus. This culminating celebration is a way Bethany youth can declare and honor God through a public proclamation of their faith in their church community.

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What's Happening:

Sundays

Weekly Worship 9 or 10:30 a.m.

Forever His 5-6 p.m.

DMD Large Group Gatherings – 6:30 p.m.

DMD Gatherings

September 16 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Group

Introduction and Orientation– Wellness Center

October 14 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Large Group

Wellness Center

November 11 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Large Group

Wellness Center

December 9 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Large Group

Wellness Center

January 13 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Large Group

Wellness Center

February 24 - DMD Group Recognition

during worship 9 and 10:30 a.m.

March 9 - 6:30 p.m. Worship Center

DMD Large Group

March 16 - DMD Groups work Palm Sunday

Pancake Breakfast

April 2 - 6:30-8:00 Worship Center

Final Discipleship Celebration pictures/rehearsal

April 6 - Discipleship Celebration

(Confirmation Sunday) 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Apr 13 - 6:30 p.m. DMD Large Group

Wellness Center

May 4 - 6:30 p.m. Family Life Center/Worship Center

center

DMD Large Group dinner and evaluation

Registration Information

Please fill out both sides and return to Youth Ministry office

Youth

Last name: _____ First name: _____

M / F Age: _____ D.O.B. _____ Grade: _____

School Attending: _____

Baptized? Y / N When? _____

Email address: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____ cell # _____

Email: _____

Father's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone# _____ cell # _____

Email: _____

Please check

Sundays – 9th through 12th Grade

Weekly Worship 9 or 10:30 a.m.

Forever His 5-6 p.m.

DMD Large Group Gatherings 6:30 p.m.

Discipleship Experiences

Red Lake Reservation Minnesota Mission Trip

June 22-28, 2008 (\$320)

Adult Alpha begins in January

Other areas of interest:

Pastors Assistants

Weekend retreats

Mission trips

Drama/Music/Art

Audio/Video/Technology

Other