
MIDWAY YOUTH NEWS

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Why “the church”?

This spring, we are dedicating our Wednesday night teaching to learning about the church. Some may wonder how we’ll fill all that time or why we would choose a topic instead of a biblical book. Let me explain:

Misunderstandings are everywhere. In a culture where church is increasingly a consumer-driven product, where you can find almost any flavor you like, a look at the biblical teaching of what the church should be is a true need.

The early church recognized something that the modern church may have forgotten: that God adopts Christians into his family and brings them to a place where he intends to nourish and grow them. That place, that body, is the church. We should not expect to grow closer to the Lord apart from it. John Calvin says, “*Our weakness does not allow us to be dismissed from her school until we have been pupils all our lives... Away from [the church’s care], one cannot hope for any forgiveness.*” You may read that line and think, “that’s way too strong—no forgiveness?” But take a moment and remember that love for God cannot be separated from love of those whom God loves. The so-called Christian who wants nothing to do with the church is in a lot of danger—because he is failing to love God *by* failing to love his church. All of this is why one early church father said, “*You cannot have God as your Father unless you have the church for your Mother.*”

Please be in prayer that the Lord will teach us all to love him more by understanding and loving his church more.



High School Home Run



Wednesday Night Games

Spring Studies

Sunday School

- High School: Beginning next week, Ronny Hull will begin a study on **the early church in Acts**. Pastor Barry has just concluded a four-part series on “How we grow in the Faith,” focusing on Bible, prayer, and worship.
- Middle School: Patrick Rockholz will continue to teach a study on identity and purpose: **“How to relate faith to life & life to faith.”**

Wednesday Night Fellowship

- Every Wed. night we will have youth group for both middle school and high school students in the Youth Assembly Room. This spring we are studying the Bible’s teaching on **the church** as God’s chosen instrument for our growth and blessing.

Bible Studies

- High School Girls: Katie Cooper will continue her study on **the Fruit of the Spirit** at her home on Monday evenings.
- High School Guys: Ronny Hull will continue the series from the fall on J. I. Packer’s *Knowing God*.
- Middle School Guys: This study on the **Shorter Catechism** led by Ronny Hull will continue to meet at 5 PM at Midway on Sunday evenings before worship.



Spring Retreat

Feb. 18th & 19th

This Presidents’ Day the High School will go on “DESTINATION UNKNOWN” (unknown to the students until we arrive). We’ll travel *somewhere* nearby for an overnight retreat with several activities and adventures we’ll reveal along the way.





Wednesday Night Youth Fellowship

Upcoming Trips

We have several upcoming trips in the spring and summer. Mark your calendars for:

- ☆ "Destination Unknown"-Feb 18-19 (High School)
- ☆ Camp Westminster-March 2-3 (Middle School)
- ☆ Dalton Missions Trip-April 2-5(High School)
- ☆ RYM-July 9-14. (High School)
- ☆ Ridge Haven-July 23-27(Middle School)



Be on the lookout for SERVICE PROJECTS.
If you know of a need the Youth can help meet please contact Ronny Hull.

CALENDAR OF YOUTH EVENTS:

Weekly Events

SUNDAY

- Sunday School, 9:45-10:45AM
 - Middle School in Berean Room
 - High School in the Youth Assembly Rm.
- Middle School Guys Bible Study @ Midway Library, 5-5:45PM (except the 2nd Sunday of each month)

MONDAY

- High School Girls Bible Study @ Katie Cooper's, 7PM-8:30PM

TUESDAY

- High School Guys Bible Study @ Ronny Hull's, 7:30-9PM

WEDNESDAY

- Middle and High School Fellowship @ Midway, 6:25-7:15PM

Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

- 11-Grand slam
- 18-19-HS Spring Retreat: "Destination Unknown"
- 25-Homerun

MARCH

- 2-3-Camp Westminster: "Identity"
- 11-Grand slam
- 25-Homerun

APRIL

- 2-5-Youth Mission Trip to Dalton, GA
- 15-Grand slam
- 29-Homerun

MAY

- 13-Grand slam
- 27-Homerun

JUNE

- 10-Grand slam
- 24-Homerun

JULY

- 8-Grand slam
- 9-14-High School RYM
- 23-27 Middle School Ridge Haven
- 29-Homerun



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