

September 2008
FUMC Youth Calendar
Theme: *Messy Spirituality*

Messy Spirituality: It's All Messy!

Wednesday, Sept 3rd

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

After we eat and have large group fun, we'll be forming our new Small Groups and gathering in them by candle light. Over the next few weeks, we are letting Mike Yaconelli and his book called *Messy Spirituality* help us grow closer to God.*

***What happens in a small group?** Most weeks, our Small Group Leaders will lead us in three things...

- 1) Breaking The Ice/Checking In: Each person shares how they're doing and something fun about themselves.
- 2) Digging Deeper: Considering a Bible story and other stories and answering open-ended questions that help us grow closer together and to God.
- 3) Caring: The small group closes by caring for each other through a brief prayer activity.

Messy Spirituality: The Place Where Our Messiness and Jesus Meet

Wednesday, Sept 10th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

This week, after we eat and have our large group time, we'll be meeting in small groups (see "What happens in a small group?" above) to consider another story or two from Mike Yaconelli and grow closer to each other.

Messy Spirituality: Not Getting Too Comfortable

Wednesday, Sept 17th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

What happens when a youth minister invites some gang members to church? Come find out! Note that next week (Sept 24) is our Mission Trips 2009 Pot-Luck, plan to be there!

LaserQuest Night!

Friday, Sept 19

Meet at LaserQuest (1605 N. Academy Blvd)

6:30-8pm

Cost: \$13 per person

No meal. So eat before you come! First 30 people get to play so be on time!

Mission Trips 2009 Pot-Luck!

Wednesday, Sept 24

6:30-8:30pm (Pot-luck meal: Bring food to share. Drinks provided)

Parents & Students

The Zone

Register this night for next summer's mission trips! Bring food to share and we'll break bread together, have a brief devotion and then make some important decisions about where/when we'll go on our mission trips next summer. We'll also discuss our up-coming fundraisers! You don't want to miss this.

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October 2008

FUMC Youth Calendar

Themes: *Messy Spirituality & The Book of Ephesians*

Messy Spirituality: Conspiracy of Grace! (Mystery Box Night)

Wednesday, Oct 1st

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

What happens when a kid strikes out at the little league baseball game and his grandpa leads a conspiracy of grace? Come find out! This week, our Small Groups will be using their Mystery Box for their discussion questions. It's a fun way to spice up the discussions.

Messy Spirituality: Norman and the Barking Pig! (Music Night)

Wednesday, Oct 8th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

The teacher tells Norman, "There is no pig in Cinderella. And Pigs don't bark!" Come find out how Norman and Jesus are so much alike. This will be Music Night in our Small groups as well. That means each person is invited to bring a song on a cd to share that seems to express something about what we've been talking about the past few weeks. Names will be drawn out of the hat to decide who will share their song and about what makes that song special. Don't miss it...don't forget to bring a song!

Youth Mission Brunch Fund-Raiser!

Sunday, Oct 12th, 8:30am-1:30pm for volunteers

Come to Mission Pot Luck on Sept 24 for details!

Drive-By Kindness Night!

Wednesday, Oct 15th

6:30-8:30pm (Bring money for your own fast-food meal)

The North Entrance

We will gather at the North Entrance to the church and then break into teams to go out in town to perform random acts of kindness together. Each group will also stop for a fast food meal together. Come help us add some love back into our hurting world.

Total Group Night! (Fall Retreat Registration Deadline too)

Wednesday, Oct 22nd

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

We are wrapping-up our series on Messy Spirituality this night by gathering all together for a total-group discussion (Socratic style), led by Bryce Thompson and our Small Group leaders. Of course, we'll also have dinner and big group fun as well!

Youth Fall Retreat!

5pm, Friday, October 24 – 2pm, Sunday, October 26

Where/What: We'll be going to our ever-favorite John Wesley Ranch for hiking, playing and growing closer to God and each other. Friends are welcome, as always. **Bring:** Sleeping Bag, pillow, warm clothes, old clothes for outdoor fun, toiletries, Bible, \$\$ for fast food meal on way home on Sunday. Registration money and forms required before boarding the bus. (Meals provided at Ranch: Friday dinner – Sunday breakfast. Sunday Lunch: Bring \$\$ for fast food on the way home) **How To Register:** 1) make \$25 check out to "FUMC" with "Youth Fall Retreat" in memo line; 2) complete both Medical Release and Behavior Covenant forms (see attached or download off of the youth page of FUMC-CS.org website); and 3) turn both money and forms in to Todd Spencer at the church by Wednesday, October 22nd.

New Theme Kick-Off: The Book of Ephesians, Part One! (Bring Your Own Bible!)

Wednesday, Oct 29th

6:30-8:30pm

The Zone

After we eat and have total group time tonight, we'll be learning about what makes the New Testament book of Ephesians, a special resource for our walks with Christ and for our ministry! David Buttery will be making a special presentation to help us kick things off. We'll conclude the evening with our Small Groups. This would be a great time to bring a friend along, since we're starting a new theme. Hope to see you there. Bring your own Bible!

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November 2008
FUMC Youth Calendar
Theme: *The Book of Ephesians*

The Book of Ephesians, Part Two

Wednesday, Nov 5th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

We'll eat, enjoy total group activities and then move into our youth-led Small Groups to experience stories from Ephesians and grow together as a group. Bring your own Bible!

The Book of Ephesians, Part Three (Music & Mystery Box Night)

Wednesday, Nov 12th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

What will make this night special is this: Each person is invited to bring a song on a cd that somehow connects with the discussions we've been having on the book of Ephesians the past few weeks. Then, during Small Group time, participants will be taking turns either drawing questions from the Mystery Box or sharing the song they brought with them to share.



Rejuvenation 2008!

A Spiritual Time to Renew Yourself with Christ

Friday, Nov 14-16th

The Avalon Theater

Downtown Grand Junction, Colorado

Guest Speaker: Bob Stromberg (that's him over there on the right)

Band: Lightswitch

This will be a weekend you'll never forget! There will be youth there from all over Colorado and Utah. Keep your eyes open for your registration packet coming soon.

Total Group Night!

Wednesday, Nov 19th

6:30-8:30pm (meal included)

The Zone

We are wrapping-up our series on Ephesians this night by gathering all together for a total-group discussion (Socratic style), led by Bryce Thompson and our Small Group leaders. Of course, we'll also have dinner and big group fun as well! Don't miss it.

No Youth

Wednesday, Nov 26th

Enjoy your Thanksgiving break, y'all!

December calendar coming soon...

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