



Simsbury United Methodist Church
2016 - 2017 Charge Conference Report
Monday, December 5, 2016, 7:30 pm

Youth Ministries

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Attendance:

Oct. 30 (Trick or treat food drive & party)- 15 attendees (combined event)

Nov. 6 - Jr's: 4 Sr's: 5

Nov. 13- Jr's: 4 Sr's: 3

Please see below for descriptions of the upcoming events for youth below.

Calling all Youth and those interested in our Annual Mission Trip!!!

**Sunday Dec. 4th all youth in grades 6 and higher, ASP 2016 alumna and chaperones as well as all who are interested in attending ASP 2017 are invited to attend a potluck at the Jacob's home at 4:30. Bring food! Wear your favorite ugly Christmas sweater/ socks and hear all about the fun you'll have participating in the APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT! Please RSVP by Dec. 1st by emailing Tonille with the dish or paper goods you would like to contribute.
tonillewatkis@gmail.com**

Our ANNUAL COOKIE CAPER to raise funds for the ASP trip will be on Sat. Dec 10 at the same time as the Christmas workshop beginning at 10 am. Please stop by and purchase some cookies and gifts. We are seeking youth volunteers who would like to work either event! Please email Tonille to sign up before Dec. 1st.

Join us on Sun. Dec. 18th at 2 pm as we go caroling to spread Christmas cheer to the sick and shut in. Afterward, hang around at the parsonage for hot cocoa and the chance to beat Pastor Woody at video games!

Youth Group will break for the Holidays

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors

Calling ALL returning college students!

On Sun. Jan. 8th it's your turn to take-over the pulpit! Run your own church service and stay afterward for refreshments and a chance to reconnect with old friends. Sign up to participate by Dec. 25th. Rehearsals will begin Tues. Dec. 27th at 6:30 pm in the barn. Contact Tonille at tonillewatkis@gmail.com or 860.965.9648 for more information.

Youth Group Meetings will RESUME on Sun. Jan. 22nd on a WEEKLY basis!

- **Sr. High Youth will meet DURING the church service (after the children's moment) in the barn.**
- **Jr. High Youth will meet after the church service in the barn from 11:45 am-1 pm. *Snacks will be provided**

There will be a change in schedule in hopes that this will encourage more youth to attend youth group meetings. We hope to see an increase in attendance by making it more convenient for the youth to attend our meetings right after church. Our primary goal is to foster and encourage spiritual growth within our youth and have fun while they're doing it.

Best,

Tonille