YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER APRIL 2016



APRIL 2016

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!!

SUNDAY 10TH: PARTY YR

SUNDAY 17TH: MEETING YR

SUNDAY 24TH: MEETING YR

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! BRING A FRIEND, SHARE THE FUN WITH OTHERS!

Happy Spring! This year is flying by! Blink, it's April! Passion Play was amazing! It was really beautiful, you all did an amazing job! Every year it truly does get better and better!!! My mind is always blown on Good Friday, the weeks of rehearsals that don't always go so well, then it's Good Friday, the Holy Spirit takes over and BEAUTIFUL!! Wow, awesome!!! You guys are the.....!:)

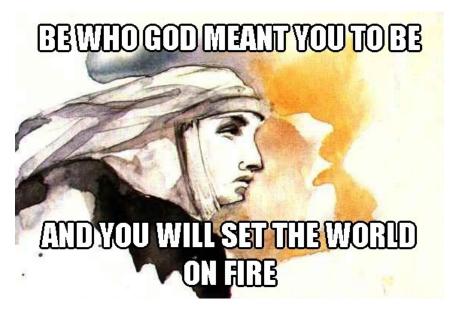
But seriously, Spring is here, time is flying. 40 days of Lent, 50 days of Easter...... everything is measured and timed. Moments turn to seconds, seconds turn to minutes, minutes turn to hours, hours to days, days to weeks, weeks to months, months to years and so it goes. Rushing here and there, trying to get it all done. You can't even focus on the here and now, because there is always something else you need to get done or place you need to be. Even here in Youth Group, there's one thing after another, and on and on it goes.

So, how to you slow it down? How do you enjoy the here and now? How do you turn off all the noise in your head and just focus on the moment? In all the different measures of time the moment, the Present is the most important. You can't get the moment back, so how to you make it last? First thing in the morning, take a deep breath and say "Thank You Lord." Put your heart and mind onto Him first. This small change, can help reset the pace. You have to retrain your brain. When you were a child, you were able to keep your focus on the present, when you were playing, you played. You weren't worrying about the next thing, you were enjoying the moment, the NOW, the PRESENT. It won't happen over night, but it will happen. Put down the phone, the phone is poison. It robs you of the present. When you are with your friends, enjoy your friends! How would you feel if you were talking with Jesus, and He kept looking down at his phone and texting? I'm thinking not so good. Maybe even hurt. When your mind is the distraction, tell it to stop. Let your mind know that God had go this. You don't need to worry, this is all in His hands. So whenever your brain is racing or you find yourself not in the moment, take a deep breath and say "Thank You"

AS ALWAYS, WISHING YOU CHRIST'S PEACE, PATTY:)



"What no one ever saw or heard, what no one ever thought could happen, is the very thing God prepared for those who love him." 1 Cor 2:9



ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA APRIL 29TH



Those who walk with God, always reach their destination

SAVE THE DATE:

DRIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT, MAY 14TH!
CAMP-OUT FOR HOMELESSNESS
AWARENESS

FOR I KNOW THE PLANS I HAVE FOR YOU, SO DECLARES THE LORD. IT PLANS TO PROSPER YOU, AND NOT TO HARM YOU, PLANS TO GIVE YOU HOPE AND A FUTURE IT