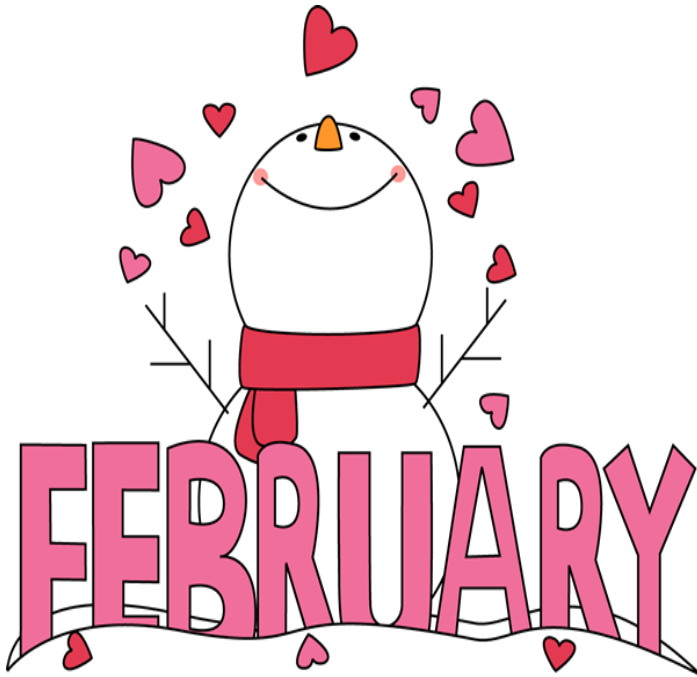


# YOUTH GROUP NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2017



## WHAT'S HAPPENING.....

**FEB 5TH: SUPERBOWL PARTY**

**FEB 12TH: MEETING**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 25-**

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26**

**LENTEN LOCK-IN**

**6:30PM-11:AM**



Ahhh, February! February is famous for a few things, Groundhog Day, Super Bowl Sunday, President's Day and Valentines Day. There's a lot of pressure this month, will Pete see his shadow?? Will my team win the Super Bowl? What are we doing President's Day weekend, can we go skiing?? Big decisions! Somewhere between the Super Bowl and President's Day is probably one of the most stressful days of the year.....VALENTINES DAY. GROWN MEN fear it. If you don't make the proper advance plans, then disaster awaits. Forgot to pick up a card, a heart shaped box of chocolate and some flowers, or get to the store last minute and all there's nothing left but the non-named brand chocolate and no flowers and no cards. Nothing says "I wasn't thinking of you at all" better than a terrible Valentine's Day Gift. It would be easier to forget someone's birthday than to forget Valentines Day. If you are single, it's can be just as stressful, seeing everyone with their cards and heart shaped boxes of chocolate, even those little "conversation hearts" are cute. It was easy when you were a little kid, the entire class gave out Valentines, I think it gets hard around middle school, but then again, everything sort of gets harder in middle school. Don't let this one day stress you out. Valentine's Day is just one day out of the year. A made up holiday to show love for one another. We get to celebrate, participate, witness and experience the greatest act of love of all time, every day.... ***"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13. Thank you Jesus for the love you have shown us from the cross.***

Peace and God's Love, Patty <3 <3 <3





Sometimes it's good to step back and focus on one truth. Jesus loves you. You. Jesus loves you. HE loves YOU.

4 minutes:

Read the passage several times. (as many times as you can in 4 minutes)

### **JOHN 3:16**

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

### **Roman 5:8**

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

### **1 John 4:9-10**

God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal; life through him. This is real love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins.

Think about the following questions and how they might apply your life.

6 minutes:

Spend six minutes talking to God. Here are some things to talk to him about.

1. Worship only makes sense in a relationship. We can only really worship God when we are in relationship with Him. Ask God to help you feel His love in a new, personal, amazing, intimate way.
2. What do you think are some of the things that get in the way of feeling God's presence? It could be stress from school, a job, your family. It could be pain from someone who has hurt you. It could be bitterness and resentment. Ask Him for help in these obstacles.
3. Read John 3:16 again. Ask God to make some part of those verse stand out in a new way for you.
4. Spend at least one minute being completely quiet. During this time tell God you want to hear whatever it is He wants to say. He may speak to you or He may not, the point is that you listened!
5. Ask God to help you share His love with others today.



**FAVORITE:  
MOVIES?  
DINNERS?**

***Coming soon.....***

***ASH WEDNESDAY MARCH 1ST....***

***COME, WATCH, LISTEN.....***