

# Union Youth

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## Lock-In

Of all the activities that we do as youth, the lock-in seems to be the most attended. We have two lock-ins a year. The one in the Fall is a service lock-in where we make baskets of cookies to take to the fire fighters or police who work the overnight shifts. The Spring lock-in is actually a lock-in. We stay at the church and have fun. Our Fall lock-in is the day after Thanksgiving: Friday,

November 25 at 7:00 PM to Saturday, November 26 at 8:00 PM.

Please make sure you eat dinner before coming to church. Bring along something to sleep on, your night clothes, a pillow, toothbrush, toothpaste, a teddy bear, a snack to share, a small present wrapped (under \$5), 2 dozen homemade cookies and a good attitude. We will be delivering cookies to those

people who are in the helping field and work all night. It is always a fun and learning experience for our group.

Also on this night, we will be preparing for our Community Children's Christmas party scheduled for December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

All children age 5 and up are invited to participate in this lock-in.

## Family Trip to Disney – Night of Joy

We are so excited to once again plan a trip to Walt Disney World with our families. This trip is scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>. We will leave on Thursday after school and meet at the All Sports Disney resort. On Friday you and your family will be given a choice as to which park you will go. (We do not have to go to the same parks.) On Saturday,


we will hang out at the pool and enter Magic Kingdom at 4:00 for Night of Joy- a night where all the rides are open and there are various Christian Singers performing. The rooms and youth tickets are covered by youth money in our account. For adults, please give \$100 to cover the tickets for both days. Also you are responsible for

buying your own food.

We are very excited to travel to Disney World as a group. Please let me know if you have any questions.

**NIGHT OF JOY**  
Featuring:  
**MercyMe**  
**TobyMac**  
**Jars of Clay**

## DONUT SALES



Thank you to Debbie Coolidge for organizing our donut sales this summer. We do not have a total amount that was raised as of yet, but we know it was productive. Thank you also to those of you who bought donuts each week.

## FRIED RICE SALE

Sandi and Julie Prisarohn generously made fried rice and spring rolls to sell at church. Not only was it a great idea, but it was also delicious. Thank you both Julie and Sandi for your time and talents.

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*“We need to replenish the youth money for future use, like our trip to Disney World.”*

## Sub Sale

Would some wonderful parent please consider organizing a sub sale? It doesn't take too much work. It is a great way to raise \$200. We could have them ready after worship on a Sunday. All the youth would help to assemble the subs.

Please let me know if you are able to organize or help.

## Rehearsal for Comma Kids

Sept. 15 & 29– 6:00-7:00

Oct. 13 & 27 – 6:00-7:00

Nov. 10 – 6:00-7:00

Comma Kids are our musical and dance group.

## GENERAL SYNOD 28

Meaghan Parish and Abigail Parthemer attended General Synod in Tampa this summer. They participated in a conference wide youth choir. It was a

fabulous concert. Meaghan enjoyed the walking around the conference center and seeing the displays, singing in the choir, listening to the speakers and of

course the cookies. Abbey enjoyed the time spent with other youth across the country, connecting with other groups and collecting pens.

## TEEN SCENE or RESPECTFUL YOUNGSTERS?

We have two youth groups at Union Congregational United Church of Christ- Teen Scene and Respectful Youngsters. Our Teen Scene group involves all youth in sixth grade and above. Mrs. Shannon Farrell is our coordinator. They meet on Sunday morning following worship as well as the same time and days that the Comma Kids

meet (see front page). The Teen Scene youth have a Conference wide youth retreat in Vero Beach on Sept. 30 to Oct. 2. If you are in 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade and would like to attend, please see Shannon or Pastor Phyllis.

Our Respectful Youngsters group consists of children in Kindergarten through Fifth grades. We

gather once a month to learn about God, learn how to love others and have fun.

Respectful Youngsters  
Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> – 4:00 – 5:30  
Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> – 4:00-5:30  
Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> – 4:00-5:00

UCC Florida Youth Retreat  
Sept. 30 to Oct. 2  
6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders  
Registration due by Sept. 15  
See Pastor Phyllis or Shannon

## A LOOK AHEAD...

Community Children's Christmas Party is planned for Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. As you may know, this party is a great opportunity for you to participate in the mission of our church. Our mission statement says that we welcome all people to experience God's love, to grow spiritually and engage in meaningful service.

This party is a meaningful service party for children who are often neglected at Christmas. By reaching out to the community children whether it be the Foster Families or Family Promise, we are spreading the love of God. So as we prepare for this event, please be open to help make the day special for

these children.

Planning Meeting:  
Wednesday  
September 14<sup>th</sup>  
6:00 PM

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*We never know the impact we may have on another individual. Smile at someone and make their day brighter.*