## PREPARATION ON THE DAY OF GROUP

"Keep on loving each other as brothers and sisters.

Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers..." -Hebrews 13:2

## **BE READY BEFOREHAND!**

- **Seating:** Make sure you have enough seating for all of your guests.
- **Clean:** Eliminate clutter (piles of mail, dishes in sink, etc.), wipe things down, and get things smelling good!
- Music: Avoid awkward silence by having some music playing in the background.
- **Outside:** Turn on any lights on the front of your house (ie: porch). Make sure both the sidewalk and the driveway have been cleared of snow.
- Inside: Your space should be well lit and the blinds should be opened.
- Pets: Please put pets either outside or in another area of the house while group is happening. Lots of people have pet allergies or are afraid of pets.
- **Cell Phones:** Put your phone on silent while the group is meeting.
- **Food:** Everyone should share responsibility for snacks and/or desserts, but please take care of the first week.
- **Childcare:** If you are not offering childcare then please make sure you've arranged for your children to either be in a separate room or head to a friends.
- **Yard sign:** We have free Great Lakes Church yard signs. Prior to your group beginning, make sure this sign is in a place that is visible from the road.
- Open door: Is your door unlocked?