

APR. 09-11, 2021

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

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HIDDEN ACRES
DAYTON, IA

Weekend Schedule

Departure

Friday, April 9 at 4:45pm
Bus leaves FRC north parking lot. We will have some food on the bus.

At the Camp

Worship, Camp Games, Small Group Time, Youth Group Time

Return

Sunday, April 11 at 2:30 PM
Bus returns to FRC north parking lot

What to Bring

Casual Clothes
Jacket/sweatshirt
Outdoor Shoes
Sleeping Bag
Pillow
Towel
Toiletries
Bathing Suit
Bible
Pen/Pencil
Spending money for one McDonalds meal & snack bar

Location

Hidden Acres
3837 Union Ave
Dayton, IA 50530

At First Reformed Church, we have a long history of spring middle school retreat experiences. Through the Synod of the Heartland Youth Ministries, we'll share a camp experience designed to impact the relationships and spiritual lives of middle school students in northwest Iowa. As we prepare for this event, you'll likely have some questions. Questions that this letter may help answer.

The middle school retreat's purpose is four-fold:

1. **Get Away.** Hit the pause button on everything else. Get away from the noise of so many things.
2. **Connect with Each Other.** A time and place to build some life-long relationships.
3. **Connect with God.** Wherever you are, this is an opportunity to take a next step toward or with God.
4. **Have a Ton of Fun.** We're going to laugh, play, and create memories all along the way.

Registration: If your name is on the sign-up sheet at youth group, you still need to register online. You can confirm your spot in 5 simple steps:

1. **Go to "synodyouth.org/middle-school-retreat/"**
2. **Click on the registration link from the "register here" dropdown menu.**
3. **Select "Iowa" and "Orange City- First Reformed Church"**
4. **Complete the registration, including uploading a scan of an insurance card if you have one. If this is not possible, select "no insurance" and ignore the pop-up. Ross can upload a photocopy at the church after you've submitted your registration.**
5. **Drop off payment to the FRC office.**

Accommodations: Hidden Acres Christian Center is near Dayton, IA (about a 1/2-hour south of Fort Dodge).

Money: A \$50 payment due March 19 covers the cost of lodging, t-shirt, and all retreat programming. Payment after online registration can be paid at the FRC office or at youth group. Checks payable for First Reformed Church.

Contact: If you have any further questions please e-mail me, ross@frcoc.org or call my cell at 712-360-1026