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A RECENT SUCCESS

Thank you to those who were able to participate in the outing to the Chicago Food Bank in December. We managed to repack a lot of peppers.

Also, thank you to everyone who brought friends to the last Open Youth Room. It was great to see so many new faces.



A NEW WAY TO LIVE IN A NEW YEAR

At Christmas, people love to unwrap presents. To say they are excited to discover what is inside the colorful packages would be a huge understatement. It is almost as if these new clothes will give them a brand-new identity and their new toys will launch them on an exciting new journey. Of course, we know that their initial delight at these new possessions will eventually fade.

In contrast, the free gift of salvation through Jesus Christ is something extraordinary that will never wear out or fade away. When we believe in Jesus as our Savior, we begin a new journey with a new purpose. And Jesus gives us a new way to live. Hours before he died, Jesus Christ gave his closest followers a new command: "Love each other" (v. 12). As easy as that may sound, Jesus knew this would be extremely difficult for His disciples and for us. Living and loving as Christ loved us will ultimately bring delight and joy to our heavenly Father and have a transforming effect on us as well. In verse 11, Jesus reveals that as we love Him, His joy will take root in our lives.

Joy is not the same as mere happiness or excitement, but rather a deep satisfaction that comes from being in step with God and His perfect will. Thankfully, we are given Christ's life as an example. Just as He surrendered His life, we are to lay down our lives for Him. Jesus also gave His disciples a new title. They were no longer referred to as servants, but as friends.

This distinction was given because Jesus wanted them to understand that their lives were to be lived for God and for one another. Christ gave them, and us, a new way to live which is centered around loving one another

OPEN YOUTH ROOM SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

We will come together on January 10 and 24 for our regular Open Youth Rooms. Invite a friend to join us from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Fellowship and fun will happen during this time. Also, don't forget to bring your pizza order forms with you on January 10. Romans and Christians will be scheduled for Sunday, February 14.



PIZZA SALE

Just a reminder that the pizza order forms are due by January 12. They can be brought to the Open Youth Room on January 10 or to Mr. Grady's office by the 12th. Remember that you need to collect the money when orders are placed. The pizzas will be here for pick up on February 5 (this might change). As an extra incentive, each family unit that sells 10 kits or more will receive an extra \$100 in their Youth Group account.

SNOW TUBING

Plans are being made for tubing on January 16. I will need to know by Sunday, January 10, who will be attending. Plans are to leave Trinity around 9:00 a.m. and return by 3:00 p.m. We will be heading to Wilmot Mountain Tubing Hill. Cost will be \$20 plus lunch money.

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FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN - FEBRUARY 20

Right now, we are holding 15 spots for FMSC on Saturday, February 20. I will need 3 adults and 12 youth to attend. We will leave from Trinity at 6:00 p.m. and should return by 9:15 p.m. The sign-up sheet is in the school gathering room. Friends are welcome. Make sure you eat dinner before you arrive. Each participant is asked to bring a cash donation for the packing food, maybe \$5 to \$20.

MISSION TRIP TO WEST VIRGINIA -JULY 24-31

Here is the updated list of those who will be attending the summer mission trip to West Virginia. We need a final count by March 15. If you want to be included, please sign-up. If you need to remove your name, please cross it off from the sheet in our gathering room. You can go to groupmissiontrips.com to see their COVID-19 regulations.

Lydia	Kylie	Kameryn	Mia	Abby C.	Eva	Joshua
Heather	Hannah	Haley	Medus	Josh F.	Matthew	Four Adults

We are still holding room for 19. This means there are two open spots. If you want to bring a friend, please come and talk to me. You must be 14 by the time the trip begins.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Do not forget to bring in your bags of clothes. We have a drop off on Saturday February 20 and June 5.

