



# ELCA Youth Gathering

## Info Meeting

2024 ELCA Youth Gathering

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July 16-20, 2024  
*New Orleans*

The ELCA Youth Gathering is back and will take place in New Orleans next summer from July 16th-20th, 2024! This is a great way for students to connect with our wider church, to worship with thousands of other Lutheran students, and to participate in service-learning projects for the host community. This is an experience of a lifetime for the youth who attend and they always come home more committed to their faith and church.

In their own words, the gathering organizers describe the event in the following way. "The Gathering brings together thousands of high-school age Lutherans from across the country and overseas for faith formation, worship, fellowship and service. 'The ELCA Youth Gathering at its core is about faith formation. Jesus calls us to love God, our neighbor and ourselves,' said Deacon Tammy Jones West, interim program director for the Gathering. 'The Gathering is a place to broaden our understanding of God's love; to pay attention to, advocate for, and care for our neighbors; and to know that as both saint and sinner, we are loved.'"

Assuming that there is adequate interest among youth and adult companions can be found, we are hoping to take a group of students from St. Paul Lutheran Church to this event next summer. The gathering is open to all students who are in 8th to 12th grade as of the fall 2023. Pastor Heath will be leading an information meeting about the trip, cost, and timeline after worship on Sunday, October 8th at 10:30am. If you are interested in going or would be interested in being an adult companion, please plan to attend this event and speak with Pastor Heath.

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