

October 2023 Youth Group Calendar

Sun 1	Mon 2	Tue 3	Wed 4	Thurs 5	Fri 6	Sat 7
No Sunday School today Remain in the 10:45am Worship service to participate in Communion with your family		Teen Leadership Meeting 6:30 – 7:30pm				
Youth Group Nacho Night for Dinner 4pm – 6pm <i>(Confirmation Class held during the lesson time)</i>						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Youth Sunday School Dismissal to class will be announced on the big screen (About 11:05am)		Teen Leadership Meeting 6:30 – 7:30pm				
Youth Group Publix Subs for dinner Pumpkin Themed night 4pm – 6pm <i>(Confirmation Class held during the lesson time)</i>						
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Youth Sunday School Dismissal to class will be announced on the big screen (About 11:05am)		Teen Leadership Meeting 6:30 – 7:30pm				
Youth Group & Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party *Free T-shirts for the first 20 teens who help us that night <i>(Pizza at 4:15pm)</i> 4pm – 6pm						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Youth Sunday School Dismissal to class will be announced on the big screen (About 11:05am)		Teen Leadership Meeting 6:30 – 7:30pm				
Youth Group Nuggets with Mac & Cheese for dinner 4pm – 6pm <i>(Confirmation Class held during the lesson time)</i>						
29	30	Halloween 31 st	Nov. 1	2	3	4
Youth Sunday School Dismissal to class will be announced on the big screen (About 11:05am)		Fall Festival 5 - 9pm Teen helpers needed for 1 hour times slots				Check out page 2 of this calendar for all the details on these and other event you may want to join.
Youth Group Teens will be leading a fun Harvest Festival for our Children's Ministry Teens are encouraged to wear or bring a costume 4pm – 6pm						

Fall Events and Happenings

2023 Confirmation Classes

We will be hosting a series of confirmation classes in October & November. Students will learn more about the Christian faith, our doctrines, our local church, the sacraments, and more. We will meet during the lesson portion of youth group on Oct. 1st, 8th, 22nd, Nov. 5th. A makeup class will be held on Nov. 12th for students who miss any of the scheduled classes. Teens will not miss out on any of the normal youth group activities that happen on Sunday night as these classes will be held during our normal lesson time. Students not participating in confirmation classes will have a separate lesson at the same time but in a separate room. Students interested in taking these classes should contact our Director of Youth Ministries, Pastor Tim to sign up for this special confirmation class.

Youth Group in October

We will meet weekly on Oct. 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th for fun activities with and a variety of themes.

- Oct. 1st is Nacho Night at Youth Group so come extra hungry to enjoy a huge plate of nachos with all your favorites toppings. Confirmation classes begin this week for those who wish to participate.
- Oct. 8th Pumpkins will be our theme. This night we will each get to decorate our own pumpkin and take it home with us. We will have Pub. Subs for dinner and ice cream sandwiches for dessert.
- Oct. 15th is our Annual Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party. We'll setup for this huge all church event we will be hosting. After we set out thousands of amazing gifts we'll stop to enjoy pizza and punch before our church members join us to pack over 100 shoebox gifts. (Setup will begin at 3:30 if you want to come early to assist Pastor Tim with that big job). Parents are encouraged to come back at 5pm to pack a shoebox or two along with us that night.
- Oct. 22nd teens will enjoy chicken nuggets with Mac & Cheese. We will also have a birthday party celebrating our students whose birthday is in October. Our games that night will be "birthday themed" and of course we'll have cake and ice cream for dessert.
- Oct. 29th we will be hosting a Harvest Festival for the Children's ministry (Carnival type event with games and prizes). Teens are encouraged to bring or come in costume. We will have breakfast for dinner that night with waffles, fruit salad and more. We will play carnival games with the children and hand out prizes. We will also get to judge the costume contest and award certificates to the winners.

Teen Leadership Meetings are coming back!

We have added a few new things to our meetings so check this out. First, our meetings will be on Tuesday nights starting October 3rd at 6:30pm. Our meetings will consist of a hands-on service project each week. We will have a different project to complete together every time we meet so no two meetings will be exactly the same. During our time together, we will have the chance talk about our week, what's happening at school and in just life in general. At the conclusion of our service project, we'll have time to share prayer requests, pray together, and have a short Bible devotional before we conclude about 7:30pm. We will meet weekly during the month of October. (Note: we will not meet on Halloween Oct. 31st but we encourage teens to help out at our Fall Festival here at church for just 1 hour during the event).

Attention PGMS Students

WyldLife Club and Campaigners are back. WyldLife Club meets in the school cafeteria each Tuesday after school from 4:10-5pm. Snacks are provided along with group games and a short Bible talk. Campaigners (AKA Donut Club) meets on Thursday before school at 8:30am in Mr. Desjardins' classroom. At Campaigners, we enjoy a donut, (or other breakfast snack) talk about life, and read a Bible verse or two that can help guide your coming school day. PGMS students are encouraged to join us for these clubs throughout this school year.

The United 4 Him Youth Group is a ministry sponsored by The New Life Church of Punta Gorda

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