

Youth Mission Camp

Wednesday, June 26 - Sunday, June 30

Opportunities to put your faith into action and return home with lifelong memories and a renewed excitement for Jesus Christ.

Important Dates:

March 19 - Deposit of \$100 per person (non-refundable) due

May 1 - Final Roster Count and final balance payment due to Holy Cross Lutheran

June 1 - Last Day for any Roster Changes

June 26 - Arrival Day

June 27-28 - Work Days

June 29 - Work Day / Fun Afternoon

June 30 - Worship and Departure Day

Registration Link

[2024 Youth Mission Trip Individual Registration Link](#)

Location

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
Education Building
1200 Foxfire Drive
College Station, TX 77845

Cost

Cost for \$150 per person includes:

- Accommodations
- Meals (except for meals listed)
 - *Meals Not included:*
 - *Meals/Snacks during travel*
 - *Dinner on Saturday*
- T-Shirt
- Donation given to each organization we work with

All monies will be collected by the participating church and submitted to Holy Cross Lutheran Church.

- Deposits are non-refundable
- Last day to add/remove **count** of people is May 1

Note: The cost does not include gas money for transportation to/from Holy Cross and work sites.

Optional Additional Fundraising to Consider

The fee includes a donation from each participant to be given to the organizations we will work with.

Additional fundraising can be completed by each church as desired. It can include:

- Gas monies for travel.
- Free day activity.
- \$40 per bedding set to send with the completed beds we build. Our goal is to build 40 beds.

What To Expect?

Accommodations

- All participants and chaperones will sleep at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in existing Sunday School / Preschool room.
- Specific classroom hallways will be designated for Girls or Boys.
- Girls and Boys restrooms with sinks and toilets are available down the main classroom hallways.
- Additional restrooms with sinks and toilets are available in the main church building.
- A shower trailer with 8 showers has been rented for showering. It will be available outside the main church building. Individuals will alternate and shower as they arrive home from the job sites.

Meals

Meals are planned as follows but subject to change. If there are any food allergies, please make sure it is noted at the time of your registration.

Breakfast: Prepared and served each morning by our Cook Team; Participants will clear their own tables and wipe down tables. Meals are planned to be:

- Breakfast tacos,
- Pancakes w/ bacon or sausage,
- Biscuits with eggs, bacon and sausage.

Lunches: Each morning participants will make their own lunches that will consist of a Ham/Turkey or PBJ sandwich, chips, fruit and cookies.

Dinners: Prepared and served each evening by a Holy Cross Lutheran board; Participants will clear their own tables and wipe down tables. Meals are planned to be:

- Hamburgers/Hot Dogs,
- Tacos,
- Spaghetti with Chicken or Hamburger Meat Sauce.

On Your Own Meals: Organized within your own groups: Wednesday traveling TO Holy Cross, Saturday dinner

Work Time

Participants will be divided into work groups with participants from other churches and will be working on one or more of the following projects.

Project Contacts	Job Description	Materials Provided	Materials Needed
Habitat for Humanity	Construction (Ages 16+)	B/CS Habitat will have a supply of basic tools and safety equipment at the job site, including hard hats and safety goggles.	Work Gloves Optional Tools: hammer, tape measure, pencil, utility knife, nail apron. Knee pads or garden kneeling pads to increase comfort during landscaping, framing, finishing, and flooring tasks.
	Painting, Landscaping, etc (Ages 14-15+)		
	Restore Resale Shop (Ages 13+)		
Texas Ramp Project	Build Ramps (9th Grade & Up)	All materials required to build ramps on site.	Work Gloves. Optional Tools: battery powered drills, levels, measuring tapes and carpenter pencils.
	Painting (Ages 12+)		
Sleep in Heavenly Peace	Building Beds (Ages 12+)	All materials required to build and stain beds	Twin Bedding Sets cost about \$40 each if anyone wants to fundraise to provide bedding.

If you choose to bring your own tools, please clearly label all of your tools with your name or initials.

Free Time

Free time can be spent on the Holy Cross facilities.

- Board games
- Puzzles
- Ping Pong
- Pool Table
- Basketball
- Skee-ball
- Air Hockey
- Dance Party

Chapel/ Praise and Worship / Theme Nights

- Each evening there will be a theme night. Participants are encouraged to dress for the theme.
- Recaps of the day and Devotions will take place each evening.
- Praise and Worship will be led by the Praise and Worship team in the Youth center.

Driving

- Once arrived at Holy Cross Lutheran, participants must stay until the end of their commitment. There will not be any coming/going from the facilities except by designated chaperones.
- Designated chaperones will be driving their own vehicles or the vehicles brought by the churches.
- Youth attending will not be permitted to transport themselves or others.

Saturday Free Afternoon

- Churches can choose to do their own activities for fun this afternoon or join Holy Cross Lutheran youth for the afternoon. *This will be planned by May so that churches can make their plans accordingly.*
- Breakfast and Lunch will be provided on this day by Holy Cross. Dinner will not be provided.

Sunday Worship

- All participants are invited to worship with Holy Cross Lutheran during our 5th Sunday worship day.
- Worship begins at 10:00 am.
- When entering the sanctuary, the far right section will be reserved for all participants.
- Breakfast will be served before worship.
- Lunch will be served to all participants and the entire congregation following the service.

- Prior to attending breakfast, rooms should be restored and belongings packed and loaded.

Chaperones

- Each participating church should send chaperones responsible for the youth participants
- At various times, chaperones will be responsible for students from other churches
- Chaperones will be responsible for transporting students
- The goal is to have a ratio of 1 chaperone for every 6 students
- Churches should designate a chaperone(s) responsible for the collection and administering of any meds during the trip
- Churches should designate a chaperone(s) responsible for picking up phones at designated times
- All chaperones will be subject to a background check
- Chaperones are responsible for monitoring all activities and eliminate actions which could cause physical or emotional harm.
- Chaperones will ensure that they are never alone with one youth. It is key that a rule of 3 be followed at all times. The “rule of three” specifies that there should always be at least three people present

Daily Itinerary (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Wednesday, June 26	
	Meet at Church (traveling churches)
	Depart Church for Mission Trip (traveling churches)
	Lunch on the way to Holy Cross Lutheran (Pay on your own)
2:00 - 3:00	Check In at Holy Cross Lutheran (ALL)
4:00	-Leadership Meeting
	-Praise and Worship Team Meeting
5:45	Dinner (Served by Holy Cross Youth)
7:00	Chapel (Bring Bible)
8:00	Ice Breakers
9:00-10:00	Showers/ Free Time
10:00	Lights Out
Thursday, June 27	
7:15	Wake-Up Call
8:00	Breakfast
9:00-12:00	Work on Site
12:00-1:00	Lunch On Site
1:00-4:00	Work on Site
4:00-6:00	Showers / Free Time
5:30	-Leadership Meeting
	-Praise and Worship Team Meeting
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Chapel (Bring Bible)
8:00	Theme Night Games
10:00	Lights Out
Friday, June 28	
7:15	Wake-Up Call
8:00	Breakfast
9:00-12:00	Work on Site
12:00-1:00	Lunch On Site

1:00-4:00	Work on Site
4:00-6:00	Showers / Free Time
5:30	-Leadership Meeting
	-Praise and Worship Team Meeting
6:00	Dinner
7:00	Chapel (Bring Bible)
8:00	Theme Night Games
10:00	Lights Out
Saturday, June 29	
7:15	Wake-Up Call
8:00	Breakfast
9:00-12:00	Finish Work on Site
12:00-1:00	Lunch On Site
1:00-2:30	Showers / Free Time
2:00	Leadership Meeting
3:00-6:00	SPECIAL EVENTS
6:00	SPECIAL DINNER OUT (Pay on your own)
7:00	Chapel (Bring Bible)
8:00	Theme Night Games
10:00	Lights Out
Sunday, June 30	
8:00	Wake, Get Ready for Church, Clean Spaces, Pack Vehicles
9:00	Breakfast
10:00	Worship at Holy Cross Lutheran
11:30	Lunch Provided by Holy Cross Lutheran
12:45	Depart for Home!

Packing List

- Bible
- Pens
- Bath Towel & Washcloth
- Active Clothes
- Theme Night Clothes:
 - Wednesday:
 - Thursday:
 - Friday:
 - Saturday:
 - Sunday:
- Work Clothes (*Clothes you don't mind getting dirty. Some projects include wood staining and painting*)
- Church Clothes
- Socks
- Undergarments
- Pajamas
- Shoes (close-toed required for work sites)
- Shower Shoes/Flip Flops
- Flashlight
- Plastic Bag for Wet / Dirty Clothes
- Shower / Hygiene Items
 - Soap
 - Shampoo
 - Brush
 - Deodorant
 - Toothpaste
- Toothbrush
- Snacks
- Prescriptions / Medications (*Bring with a note to give to your dedicated chaperone to be distributed at specific time*)
- Hat
- Work Gloves (gripping leather)
- Water Bottle (Labeled)
- Sunscreen
- Bug Spray
- Phone Charger
- Pillow (*Place in a bag with your name on it*)
- Sleeping Bag (*Place in a bag with your name on it*)
- Optional: Cot or Air Mattress with appropriate sheets) (*Place in a bag with your name on it*)
- Bathing Suit (*Suit must be church group appropriate - modest*)
- Instrument / Music *if playing on Praise & Worship team*
- Approximately \$150

Sample Support Letter

Dear _____,

This summer, I plan to join other youth across the Brazos Valley and Texas at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in College Station, TX to participate in a Mission Camp.

I'll be serving people in Jesus' name alongside friends and making new ones...while spending time in a concentrated environment, devoting our days to serving His people. Throughout the week, I'll be staying in close quarters at Holy Cross Lutheran and serve each day in projects like building a wheelchair ramp for someone home bound, working with Habitat for Humanity or building beds for children in need for Sleep in Heavenly Peace.

A big part of the week is allowing Jesus to shine through me to others and letting him do work in me through daily devotions and worship programs. It will be an adventure!

Part of that adventure is raising money for the trip—and that's why I'm contacting you. I'm writing to ask you for a donation to help cover the expense of this life-changing service opportunity.

I'm taking part in other fundraising activities, and I'm kicking in my own money, but that won't be enough.

Even if you can't donate, please consider praying for my trip. If you would like to receive official prayer requests for the trip itself, I invite you to send me your email to be added to the list.

Thanks so much for considering this request.

Sincerely,