



John1516s – Summer Program 2023

Information & Registration

for those youth entering 6th grade for the 2023/24 school year

Greetings in the Lord!

Pastors Kooi, Miller & Prin are excited to host **another summer of John1516s!**

We have a lot of **fun activities** planned, along with some **amazing service projects** that benefit a host of great local organizations and ministries.

*This packet provides **information** about the program and contains the various **permission forms** you will need to submit.*

This year - we do have an **attendance cap**, so please return your **fully completed forms** AND **payment** to your pastor ASAP to reserve and ensure your spot(s).

To have a fully completed form, you will need to return:

- **...completed & signed pp. 6-8** from this packet;
- **...payment** (*please make checks out to "Bethel Lutheran" and in the memo line note "John1516s"*).

Schedule

This year, we will be hosting **6 Tuesday events** – June 13, 20 & 27 + July 11, 18 & 25

Transportation

As in past years, transportation for each program day will be provided by chartered school bus.

Re. Fun Events

The fun event for each week will be **announced the DAY BEFORE by noon** (i.e., Monday).

Because some fun events can only be done “weather permitting,” the pastors *reserve the right to amend* the fun event *without advance notice*.

If a change to fun event is made, parents will be provided with an updated itinerary for the day.

“Fun” events, we anticipate enjoying this summer include:

- movie day at a local theater;
- Lilliput (unlimited go-karts, mini-golf, bumper boats);
- Zero Gravity Trampoline Park (unlimited ropes course, jumping, and laser tag);
- Two-Bit Game Room (unlimited play);
- Grand Slam (minigolf, batting cages, bumper cars, laser-tag and 1 hour arcade card)
- Lake Elmo Filtered Pool and Beach (**lifeguards will be on duty**)

Re. Service Projects

Service projects for each week include:

- June 13 = Feed My Starving Children
- June 20 = Trinity First Lutheran Church and School
- June 27 = New Life Family Services
- July 11 = Second Harvest
- July 18 = Maplewood Park Preserve
- July 25 = Global Health Ministries

Cost

Appreciating busy summer schedules, John1516s offers **TWO fee options** this summer:

- \$125/youth – for **4-6** program days
- \$75/youth – for **1-3** program days

Fees include: transportation, lunch (i.e., entrée, chips & drink) + admission to fun events.

Please Note...

a) John1516s is **unable to prorate fees** for single events;

b) John1516s is **unable to refund fees** for missed program days.

John1516s Staff for This Summer

To ensure paid church staff are **always available** during program hours, **at minimum** Pastor Kooi, Miller and/or Prin will **always be in attendance**.

Any questions, concerns and/or issues will be handled on site by one of them.

Pastor Prin can be contacted [voice/text] at – (612) 868-0927

Pastor Miller can be contacted [voice/text] at – (612) 600-3514

Pastor Kooi can be contacted [voice/text] at – (651) 424-6294

Phone Use Guidelines

John1516s operates by the following philosophy: **“When we play, we play. When we serve, we serve. When we worship, we worship.”** When we serve, play, and worship, we want to give our full attention to each activity.

To help with that, and to make the program as enjoyable as it can be for everyone, we will **ONLY allow phone use** on the BUS, at LUNCH, and at FUN events.

If the pastors see phones used at any other time, we will **FIRST ask** for them to be **put away immediately**.

A **SECOND infraction** – will result in **contact with a parent** and **may result** in parental need to **early pick-up** from activity site.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Each program day will **START** and **END** at **BETHEL Lutheran Church** (670 W Wheelock Pkwy, St. Paul)

Please **DROP-OFF** your youth between **8:15 and 8:30am**.

Please note...If you are running late, please call/text one of the pastors.

Please **PICK-UP** your youth at Bethel at **4:15pm**.

While the pastors understand work commitments & traffic delays...

...please note – the pastors are REQUIRED to STAY with your child until picked up and cannot return to their other duties until this is accomplished. Your timeliness in pick-up is therefore most appreciated!

Alternate Persons Picking-Up

Because the safety of your child(ren) is the highest concern for the pastors, your child(ren) will **ONLY BE RELEASED** for pick-up to you (as the parent signing the permission form) and/or **ANY OTHER ADULT YOU NOTE on this form**.

Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES will youth be released for pick-up to **ANYONE NOT NOTED** on your permission form!

Should an emergency require an alternate person picking-up OTHER than those listed on your permission form **YOU (as the parent of record) MUST CONTACT** one of the pastors **BY VOICE** call, **THEN by electronic note** (email or text) [i.e., two-step verification] to authorize alternate pick-up.

Adult Guest Attendees

John1516s encourages and welcomes adult guests (e.g., parents, grandparents, etc.) to attend program activities.

Adult guest attendees are **asked to pay for the events** in which they wish to participate.

Because the safety of our youth is paramount, all adults must:

- ...**complete a background check** through Bethel Lutheran **once** for the 2023 summer season;
- ...this check **must be successfully completed** by the **THURSDAY BEFORE attendance** (i.e., 5 days prior) at your first activity for the 2023 season;

- ...while we recognize adults undergo background checks for a variety of activities, John1516s **cannot accept** checks done for other programs and/or through other vetting organizations;
- ...the **cost** to complete a background check is **\$9**, payable to “Bethel Lutheran”.

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John1516s Registration Materials

(please return to your home congregation's Pastor)

Date(s) Attending

Please indicate below which dates your child(ren) + any adult guest will attend.

	Youth Attending	Adult Guest Attending
June 13:	_____	_____
June 20:	_____	_____
June 27:	_____	_____
July 11:	_____	_____
July 18:	_____	_____
July 25:	_____	_____

Lunch Entree Selection

Please select which lunch entrée option youth will prefer.

- Pizza (*Please choose only ONE*)
 - Pepperoni _____
 - Cheese _____
 - Sausage _____
 - Will eat any of them _____
- McDonalds (*Please choose only ONE*)
 - Two Hamburgers _____
 - Two Cheeseburgers _____
 - Chicken McNuggets _____
- Chick-Fil-A (*Please choose only ONE*)
 - Chicken Sandwich _____
 - Spicy Chicken Sandwich _____
 - Three-piece chicken strips _____

John1516s Permission Slip

PERMISSION SLIP AND EMERGENCY FORM

Please complete this form that will accompany your youth for every event, both service and social. No youth will be allowed to participate without this form being completed and signed by a parent or guardian. The information on this form is considered confidential and will accompany Pastors Kooi, Prin and/or Miller for every event.

Permission is granted for:

Name of Youth (PLEASE PRINT)

To participate in John1516s service projects and social events on June 13, 20, and/or 27; for July 11, 18, and/or 25, 2023.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Address:

Contact Phone # During Activities:

Emergency Phone #:

Please provide the information requested below, as it may be needed in case of an emergency. This information does not modify the information on the emergency card.

Student's Date of Birth

Allergies:

Conditions requiring special consideration (medical/physical):

Does your student require: (A) **Epipen** Yes No If yes, will your child(ren) have it with? Yes or No?

(B) **Inhaler** Yes No (C) **ANY MEDICATION CURRENTLY TAKEN:** (Type of medication and time of administration):

TO ANY DOCTOR OR HOSPITAL: I hereby authorize the release of my child's pertinent medical information to the appropriate professional staff. I give permission to the physician or hospital to secure treatment for him/her and to order medications, injections, anesthesia, or surgery for my child, as named above, in case of emergency. The signature below constitutes authorization to perform any necessary treatment for my child during this field trip.

HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION:

Company Name:

Policy #:

Group #:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Date:

(PLEASE PRINT)

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Below, please write the name(s) and phone number of those your child(ren) may leave with at pick-up time. Your child will ONLY be allowed to leave them. If there is any change, it MUST be shared with Pastor Kooi OR Pastor Prin per the instructions outlined in the information packet.

Name:

Relationship to Youth:

Name:

Relationship to Youth:

Name:

Relationship to Youth:

Signatures

Both parent and youth need to sign below to indicate that...

- ...you understand the cell phone rules, and agree to abide by them;
- ...you understand the drop-off and pick-up policies and will abide by them.

X _____
Parent

x _____
Child

Date:

Date:

If you have any additional questions, or need more information, please feel free to contact me at pastornkooi@gmail.com or 651-424-6294. I look forward to having your youth join us as we have another summer where we serve and have fun in Jesus' name.

Yours in Christ,



Pastor Nick Kooi