

# 2017 State Youth Gathering

Kalahari Resort, Wisconsin Dells

**November 3-5, 2017**



Dear Pastors and Adult Youth Leaders,

We are looking forward to your participation in the Gathering! We highly encourage your youth group to invite non-LCMS friends to the Gathering so that they too may learn about the promises of God! The Gathering will include worship with communion and we invite your friends to come forward for a blessing during that time.

## **Schedule**

There are four mass events (by [un]Paved Ministries\*), three breakout options, worship service at Trinity Lutheran Church, Wisconsin Dells and a two-hour lock-in at the water park. You will need to indicate which breakout each participant would like to attend when you register.

## **Registration**

Please use the Individual Registration Form to collect the information you will need to register your group online. The registration fee includes a t-shirt. The adult shirt sizes are small-xxx-large. You will need to indicate a size when you register. Register your group at [swd.lcms.org/registration](http://swd.lcms.org/registration) by October 16, 2017.

You can pay online with a credit card or pay offline with a check. Full payment of gathering registration fees is required prior to the Gathering.

## **Meals**

Please note that meals are not included in the registration. Groups are responsible for all meals.

## **Housing**

Please note that you will register for the Gathering online and then make separate arrangements for housing with the Kalahari Resort. Housing costs are not included in the registration fee. To make your room reservation, contact the Kalahari Resort at 877-253-5466. Ask for a room(s) in the State Youth Gathering room block. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, October 4, 2017. State sales tax will be included on your rooms unless you supply the Kalahari with an S-211 Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate. You can fax (608-254-6116) or email ([dellscallcenterfax@kalahariresorts.com](mailto:dellscallcenterfax@kalahariresorts.com)) your form prior to your arrival at the Gathering, which should help speed up your checkin.

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## **Bible Studies**

There are Pre-Event and Post-Event Bible Studies on the District websites.

## **Additional Information**

Adult leaders must be 21 years of age and groups with both male and female participants are strongly encouraged to have both a male and a female adult leader.

Emergency Information/Permission Form for each participant (adults & youth) are the responsibility of each group leader.

## **Enclosed are the following:**

- Individual Registration Form
- Schedule
- Breakout Sessions
- Maps
- Things you need to know
- Food ideas

For more information related to the Gathering, please visit our website at <http://swd.lcms.org/> or <http://www.nwdlcms.org/>

Questions regarding registration or the Gathering, contact Robin at [mueller@swd.lcms.org](mailto:mueller@swd.lcms.org).

May our gracious Lord bless our time together as we remember that he is our Greater, Better, Truer HERO.



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\*[un]Paved Ministries is a great ministry team, learn more about them:  
[www.unpavedministries.org](http://www.unpavedministries.org)

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