

YOUTH NEWS

NEW BEGINNINGS

New Beginnings is a renewal retreat for middle schoolers, grades 6-8, that explores friendships, family, faith, and helps participants grow in their love of themselves, others, and our Lord Jesus Christ. New Beginnings #10 is coming up next month at Camp Weed, November 11-13 and will be led by Chris Snider of St. Joseph's Newberry.

Participant registration is due by October 31.



Participant Registration:

<http://campweed.campbrainregistration.com>

ST. FRANCIS IN THE FIELD

Earlier this month, St. Francis youth held a car wash fundraiser to help Camp Weed's effort to raise \$850 per cabin to replace all bathroom fixtures (toilets, sinks, shower heads, etc.). On the day of their event they were able to raise over \$1,700 to donate to Camp Weed. Youth leader Dan Dallam has since challenged all other youth groups to do the same in whatever way works for them! Camp Weed appreciates St. Francis and their effort and support to help restore the property!

HAPPENING

Happening #145 was held this past September at Camp Weed, led by Julia Polster and her core team. 37 candidates were served by 42 team members! If you're a high schooler interested in coming for the first time as a candidate, or if you've already been and are looking to serve on team, Happening #146 will be held January 20-22 and will be led by Chloe Gilboy from St. Paul's by the Sea. Team application deadline is December 9 and Candidate registrations are due by January 8.



Candidate Registration:

<http://campweed.campbrainregistration.com>

Team Applications:

<http://campweed.campbrainstraff.com>



ST. JOHN'S - TALLAHASSEE



Big games equals always counting on St. John's Youth to be having BIG fun! In September the volunteer youth leaders held a kickoff youth event with a cardboard and duct tape regatta.

Earlier this month they held a game night featuring Human Hungry Hungry Hippos, a Rock, Paper, Scissors Face Off, and even giant Connect 4. And of course, Father Lonnie finishes off their evening by leading the youth in Compline. If you're in the Tallahassee area and want to join them next time for more fun, they'll meet again on November 6!



ST. JAMES - LAKE CITY



The youth of St. James in Lake City seem to always be busy busy! From a pool day out at Camp Weed, minute-to-win it games after church, and even helping pack clothes for a local foster support group called the Nest, the youth group and the Junior Daughters are always up to something and having so much fun! They'll also be hosting a Bingo Night with dinner in the near future to help support Camp Weed's cabin bathroom restoration project.



DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENT

Youth Leaders throughout the diocese are coming together to plan a Diocesan Youth Event to be held at St. Francis in the Field on December 3rd. Youth leaders will be meeting for the first time on October 17 to begin planning for the event. It's sure to be full of fun, fellowship, and games. Be on the lookout for more info to come soon!

If you are a youth leader in the diocese (paid or volunteer) and are not yet involved with the planning of this event, please reach out to Director of Summer Camp and Youth Programs, Sam Marxsen at sam@campweed.org and she will be happy to get you connected.

CAMP WEED SUMMER CAMP 2023

Summer Camp 2023 Dates & Registration are here! There are a couple of important changes to note for this summer. Camp will once again be ending on Friday evening rather than Saturday morning. This will help us make sure our counselors have enough time to plan and rest between sessions so they're always at their best!

The other big change to note is that both canteen and a summer 2023 t-shirt are included in the price of each session. This means each camper will receive a t-shirt and you won't have to worry about loading money into your camper's account for snacks. We'll still have many of the same options and campers will still be able to select a snack, candy, and drink.

Check out <http://campweed.org> under the "Summer Camp" tab for more information. Info on CIT's, scholarships, and more will be available soon!



Staff Week - June 3-9

Senior Session - June 11-16

Junior Session - June 18-23

Middler Session - June 25-30

Mini Camp - July 5-8

Kid Camp 1 - July 9-14

Kid Camp 2 - July 16-21

Final Session - July 23-28

Register your camper today at <http://campweed.campbrainregistration.com>

Apply for staff today at <http://campweed.campbrainstaff.com>