

"Unite!" 2017 A Regional Presbyterian Youth Ministry Winter Retreat

The purpose of this project: Unite! Youth Winter Retreat 2017, is a collaboration of Christian youth & youth ministries for the purpose of encouraging a larger and diverse community of faith among middle, high school, and college-age youth. By participating in this event you give your youth and young adults the opportunity to feel connected to the larger church body in our local North West Region.

When: Pre-Rally: December 8

Untie Retreat: December 27-30

Where: Tall Timber Ranch

27875 White River Rd, Leavenworth, WA 98826

Cost: \$185.00 per participant. We have sought grant funding from the Seattle and Northwest coast presbyteries and some youth groups will do fundraisers to help raise scholarship funds. Those individuals and church communities that can afford to pay more are encouraged to pay as close to the unsubsidized (\$185.00/participant) amount as possible. This payment program is based on the principle outlined by Paul in 2 Cor. 8:15. By doing this, there is extra money available to be shared with students who come from lower income communities. As a result, in the past five years, we have never had a student be unable to attend due to finances.

A larger Community:

This project is not a camp that is being "put on" by a staff of camp workers. This is a collaborative project. There is an expectation that every group who plans to have students attend this retreat will also be involved in the planning and execution of the project. This means that at least one representative from your youth program must make an effort to attend monthly planning meetings (in person or via Skype), as well as the expectation that you will send adult leaders to act as counselors and chaperones during the retreat. This requirement facilitates many opportunities for networking with other youth workers. Working together on this project creates a greater sense of connection to the larger youth worker community of our region and provides chances for collaboration outside Unite. The invitation is not just to participate in an amazing winter retreat experience, it is an invitation to join a larger network of youth workers who encourage, support, and challenge one another.

Want to Join us? Or if you just have more questions please do not hesitate to call, text or email Curtis White at First Presbyterian Church of Snohomish. Space is limited (last year we filled the Camp) so please get in touch with me ASAP if your interested in participating!

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