

Forts and Sorts 2024



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Messiah Lutheran Church
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Youth Haven Ranch
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FORTS AND SORTS SERVANT EVENT 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR LEADERS

DATE June 16-22, 2024

- Arrival: Sunday, June 16th between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.
- Departure: Saturday, June 22nd approximately 11:00 a.m.

SERVANT EVENT SUMMARY

This servant event is one of the LCMS Youth Ministry scheduled events for this summer and is hosted by Messiah Lutheran Church, Holt, Michigan. You will be assisting in needed projects, such as construction, painting/staining and general maintenance of Youth Haven Ranch. Also, the participants may have opportunities to interact with the children attending camp during their recreation time in the afternoon or evening Chapel. Specific projects are subject to change. A flexible attitude is necessary as we are "Serving and Sharing the Love of Jesus".

GROUP SIZE

- To assist in group dynamics as well as to create community, we normally limit group size to no larger than 15 including adults. We encourage one adult leader per six youth. If you have any comments or questions, please contact Jo Ellen Miskowski (Project Coordinator) at FortsAndSorts@gmail.com.

WHO CAN ATTEND

- Registration is open to all those 14-18 years of age. Adults must be 21 years of age or older to be considered chaperones. If you have any questions, please contact Jo Ellen Miskowski (Project Coordinator) at FortsAndSorts@gmail.com.

COST

- \$200 per person
- Make checks payable to "**Messiah Lutheran Church.**" Memo line "**Forts and Sorts 2024**".

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE PRICE PER PERSON

- All meals from June 16th (dinner) to June 22nd (pack a lunch) as well as onsite snacks
- Lodging, hotel-style 2-3 per room with private bathroom and shower
- T-shirt for every participant

- All activity fees are included

ACTIVITIES PLANNED (Subject to change)

- Bowling, Campfire, Worship and Dinner at Messiah Lutheran Church/Youth Haven Ranch, Swimming, Ice Cream Party, Bible Study and Devotions

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE PER PERSON

- Travel expenses to and from event
- Souvenirs and extra snacks at off-site activities

DEPOSIT REQUIRED

- \$50.00 per person
- Deposits are non-refundable but may be transferred to another individual.

HOW TO REGISTER

- Please use the registration forms enclosed. Only one person per registration form.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Registrations are received on a first-come, first-serve basis. To assure your group has an opportunity, please reply as soon as possible. We will take registrations until May 1, 2024 or until event is at capacity.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Upon receipt of the registration form and deposit, the group will receive a letter of confirmation, list of items to bring, emergency medical information, consent and liability waiver and other forms. These forms are to be completed and sent in before May 1, 2024.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Total fee will be forfeited unless cancellation is received 30 days prior to your scheduled arrival, in which case all funds, except the \$50.00 non-returnable deposit per person, will be returned. If the Forts and Sorts Servant Event is cancelled for any reason, a full refund will be given.

WHO HAS BEEN TO FORTS AND SORTS?

- Following are some of the LCMS church youth groups that have joined us in previous years.
 - Mt Olive, Rockford, IL
 - Redeemer, Oakmont, PA
 - Messiah, Lakeville, MN
 - St John, Stryker, OH
 - Child of God, St Peters, MO
 - Immanuel, Wisconsin Rapids, WI
 - St John, Champaign, IL
 - Peace, Shelby Township, MI
 - Mount Olive, Norfolk, NE

Forts and Sorts Servant Event Group Registration Form

- **Registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.**
- **A non-refundable, but transferable deposit of \$50/participant is due at the time of registration with the remaining \$150/participant due by May 1, 2024.**
- **Check should be made payable to: "Messiah Lutheran Church"**
- **Check Memo: "Forts and Sorts 2024"**
- **Questions for registration should be directed to:**
 - Jo Ellen Miskowski (Project Coordinator)
 - Messiah Lutheran Church
 - 5740 W. Holt Road, Holt MI 48842
 - Home: 1-517-244-0175
 - Email: FortsAndSorts@gmail.com
 - Church Office: 1-517-694-1280 (If you cannot reach me at the home number.)

Church Information

Name of Church: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Contact Email: _____

Total Group

- Total Group size: _____
 - Total Number of Youth: _____
 - Total Number of Adults: _____

Forts and Sorts Servant Event

Individual Participant Registration Form

June 16-22, 2024

Please type or print neatly

A non-refundable, but transferable, deposit of \$50/participant is due at the time of registration with the remaining \$150/participant is no later than May 1, 2024. Checks should be made payable to "Messiah Lutheran Church", Memo: "Forts and Sorts 2024."

Personal Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone: (____) _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Birth Date: __/__/__

Current Age: _____ Grade in Fall: _____ Gender: _____ T-shirt Size: _____

Email: _____ (required for leaders only)

Skills Questionnaire

Please check skills according to experience you have at this time:

Skill/Level	None	Limited	Competent	Expert
Painting				
Roofing				
Power Tools (Which ones?)				
Framing				
Reading a tape measure				
Yard Work				
Other:				

Please answer yes or no and explain in more detail:

Are you afraid of heights? _____

Do you have any musical talents you would like to share? If so, what type?

Are you trained in First Aid? _____ or CPR? _____

Do you have skills in leading small group Bible studies? _____

Do you have other skills useful during worship, Bible study or free time?

Previous servant event experience: _____

Special needs we should be aware of and make preparations for i.e. dietary needs, personal care needs, etc...

Please check all that apply:

Youth Participant Adult Participant Group Leader

Pastor DCE DYM DFL

Signatures:

Participant:

I look forward to serving my Lord in this servant event and I agree to participate and cooperate in every way.

Participant's Signature

Date

Parental:

I give permission for my son/daughter to participate (including transportation during the event) in all of the work and activities of the Forts and Sorts Servant Event.

Parent's Signature

Date

Media Release:

I give permission to allow photographs and video taken during the Forts and Sorts Servant Event to be used for public relations by Messiah Lutheran Church, LCMS Youth Ministry and Youth Haven Ranch.

Participant's Signature (If 18 years of age or older)

Date

Parent's Signature (If participant is under 18 years of age)

Date