SCHEDULE

(subject to slight tweaking) 10 am - 5 pm Columbia Shelter Coonskin Park, Charleston

9:30 Registration and Gathering Activities
10:00 Welcome and Large Group Gathering Activities Theme Exploration 1
12:30 Lunch
1:15 Music
1:30 Large Group Games Theme Exploration 2
4 pm Mission Project

4:30 Closing Worship

The Presbytery of West Virginia's Youth Council presents:

# 2025 Spring Youth Retreat "FRIENDSHIP"



April 27, 2025 Coonskin Park, Charleston, WV Columbia Shelter

Focus: What qualities do you look for in a friend? What makes a friendship last? Why do we need friends? Join us as we explore stories from scripture and pop culture and reflect on what it means to be a friend.

**Leadership:** This retreat will be led by youth and adult members of the presbytery's Youth Council.

## Important Retreat Information FOR YOUTH AND ADULTS

**Who:** This retreat is for youth in grades 6-12 and their adult advisors. The expectation is that there will be one adult register for every 7 youth registered. The name of the adult who will be responsible for youth on site is needed at the time of registration; please be sure to put this on the registration form.

**When:** While the retreat itself begins at 10 am, there will be Gathering Activities beginning at 9:30 am for early arrivals. We will end with a time of worship at the end of the day, with everyone on their way home by 5:00 pm.

**Lunch** will be provided for each participant. Lunch will be box lunches from Jimmy John's. When registering, please be sure to include your lunch order using the form provided.

**Cost:** The cost for each participant, youth or adult, is \$20.

**Registration deadline: Monday, April 14**. If you have questions about registering youth with special needs, please contact Susan Sharp Campbell at 304-667-9428 prior to the 14th.

WHAT TO BRING – Each participant

- ✓ Completed Covenant Form and Medical Release Form
- ✓ Supplies for the Mission Project
  - ✓ 1 box of cake mix
  - ✓ 1 container of icing
  - ✓ 1 box of cake candles

Please **DO NOT BRING** electronic items and/or valuable jewelry. We cannot be responsible for lost items.

**Cell Phones:** Please expect to have very limited times for using cellphones throughout the day.

### **Mission Project:**

For the mission project, we will be making birthday boxes. Cake mix, icing and candles will be put in an aluminum pan (provided) with cards we will make.

#### ADULT ADVISORS – PLEASE NOTE

Each adult planning to attend the retreat must return a completed Volunteer and Information Form and a Release Authorization no later Monday, April 14, or have completed and returned one in the last 24 months. Once registered, adults will be emailed the Presbytery's Child Protection Policy; these should be read prior to arrival. There will be an adult orientation during the first small group time on Saturday morning.

#### **To Register:**

Please use the Registration Form to register all participants.

To register and pay online, go to https:// form.jotform.com/250427105727150 and complete the registration form and lunch form.

To register and pay by check, sent a completed registration form and lunch form with **check made out to the Presbytery of WV** to Presbytery of WV Spring Retreat c/o Susan Sharp Campbell, 683 Dwyer Lane, Lewisburg WV 24901.

Question? Contact Susan Sharp Campbell at 304-667-9428 or susan\_sharp\_campbell@hotmail.com.