



July 11th-15th, 2019
 Minneapolis, MN
 Psalm 46

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Important Dates:

- **September 5th, 2018**
 - Online data input opens on the Gathering Registration page www.lcmsgathering.com/attend.
 - You will need your Congregational ID that is included on your registration materials mailed to your church. If you cannot find your ID contact Krista Miller at Krista.Miller@lcms.org.
- **October 17th, 2018**
 - Submit your registration online AND mail your forms with deposit.
- **January, 2019**
 - Receive official acceptance to the National Youth Gathering.
 - Watch for Indiana District information to arrive in the mail.
- **Early Spring, 2019**
 - Primary Adult Leader receives hotel assignment.
- **Early April, 2019**
 - Hotel deposit is due (1 night stay for each hotel room).
- **May 1st, 2019**
 - Full payment due to qualify for express registration.

Age Requirements & Chaperones:

- Participants registered must be **ONE** of the following:
 - 14 years old at the time of the Gathering (July 11, 2019)
 - Entering the ninth grade at the time of the Gathering
 - Youth participants cannot be 21 by the time of the Gathering.
- Adult leaders must be 21 years or older at the time of the Gathering.
- All groups must have at least 2 adults.
- The youth to adult ratio is flexible to adjust for your church’s needs/policies.

# of Youth	# of Adults
2-6	2-4
7-13	3-4
14-20	4-5
21-27	5-6
28-34	6-7
35-41	7-8
42-48	8-9

Background Checks:

- The gathering recommends getting background checks on all adult leaders. Each church is responsible for securing a background check on adult volunteers as needed by their congregation.
- If your congregation cannot afford background checks contact **Amy Mews** at the Indiana District Office at amy.mews@in.lcms.org.

If you are a smaller congregation planning to travel with a nearby church...

- Each congregation should register individually.
- After submitting your forms online, there will be papers to print and mail to the Gathering Office. Submit your church’s forms in the same envelope as the other church with which you are traveling. This ensures both churches are assigned the same hotel.

Hotel, Travel, & Tax

- Minneapolis does not give sales tax exemptions to out of state churches, however, MN does not charge tax on clothing purchases.
- Expect to pay around \$170/night along with 15% tax.
- If your church is interested in riding on a District chartered Bus contact Sarah Shadday at Concordia.Rice@gmail.com.

District Events

- Indiana District T-Shirt (Cost will be \$8-12)
- Buffet Dinner and Lumberjack Experience at Concordia University, St. Paul for \$20 or less
 - Campus tours will also be available if interested.
- Additional Possibilities in the Works...
 - Chartered District Bus
 - Indiana District Booth

Fundraising

- LCMS Gathering website has ideas <http://www.lcmsgathering.com/tried-and-true-fundraising-ideas/>
- ESource www.youthesource.com

Social Media

- Follow on Twitter, Snapchat, Facebook, YouTube, & Instagram.
 - #LCMSNYG
 - @LCMSNYG
- Join the NYG Adult Leader page on Facebook.
- Sign up for Gathering emails at www.lcmsgathering.com.
- Gathering webinars are the first Thursday of month.
 - Find past webinars on YouTube (LCMS Gathering).