



EMPOWER

YOUTH MINISTRY AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING

A joint initiative of the LYV and LSF

EVENT INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

WHEN March 1st, 2014
9 AM - 4:30 PM

WHERE St Phillips Lutheran Church, Werribee

COST \$30 per person / \$20 for students &
groups of 5 from same parish

Online Registration:

<http://www.lyv.org.au/events/registration/>

Registration closes 21st February



REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Town: _____ Postcode: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Dietary needs: _____

ELECTIVE SELECTION

Circle one elective per session which you will attend

	Session 1 11:05 - 12:05	Session 2 1:15 - 2:15	Session 3 2:45 - 3:45
BEGINNING LEADERS	Bridging the Gap 1	Bridging the Gap 2	Building the Bridge
YOUNG ADULTS	Running 'Child Safe' Programs	Christian Meditation	Spiritual Warfare: A Lutheran Approach
ADULTS	Capturing the Experience	Mentoring	The spiritual formation of adolescents
ALL AGES	Progressing Disciples	Byte-Sized Change	Being your B.E.S.T
	Getting the Team to Gel	Recruiting Parents for Ministry at Home	Congregational Teams

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment to be made before the day by either:

Cheque Cheques to be made out to **Lutheran Youth of Victoria** and returned with this form

Direct Deposit Acc No: 10151004
 BSB: 063109
 Acc Name: Lutheran Youth of Victoria
 Descriptor: EMP2 [Surname] [Familyname]
 (eg EMP2SmithMary)

Return completed registrations (and attached cheque) to:
 Robyn Kuchel, 25 Mary-Anne Court, Lovely Banks, Victoria, 3221

SESSION INFORMATION

KEYNOTE - MAKE YOUR TEACHING "STICKY"

Design your teaching (Sunday School, Confirmation, even Adult Education) for maximum impact. Explore the craziness of the developing adolescent brain, look at hints for memorable teaching to adults, and discover why humans of all ages learn the way they do. The goal? Making your content as "sticky" as possible.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

'Having a Devotion' is one way to 'spend time in God's Word'. Devotional books can be a great blessing, but there are other ways of 'having a quiet time' or 'meditating on Scripture'. This workshop will outline several approaches that can be utilised individually or in groups and we'll model one particular way of listening to God's Word.

BRIDGING THE GAP

New to CLW leadership? Know camping back to front and want to take the next step? Know the studies but now need to know how to present them? Learn some new tricks and tools that will help you balance your new leadership role with the fun of returning to camp.

CAPTURING THE EXPERIENCE

Young people have many opportunities to attend faith development events like camps and conferences every year. Many have experiences that are lost when they return back to their church and family communities. This session will explore simple and easy ways for these communities to support and engage young people when they return home.

MENTORING YOUNG PEOPLE

A mentoring relationship is one of the most natural, personal and encouraging ways to pursue a life of faith. This workshop will de-mystify mentoring and provide some easy and practical ways to commence, encourage and even transition a mentoring relationship.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION OF ADOLESCENTS

Statistics show that 60-80% of those who grow up within the church leave the faith by the age of 24. Let us not ignore such a reality. This is an opportunity to come together and chat through why such faith-loss occurs in the church and how we can actively foster a spiritual life that is able to handle the complexities and struggles that young people face in the world.

GETTING THE TEAM TO GEL

This elective will explore the ability to build cooperative relationships within the team and with other teams and how to value and harness the contribution of others to achieve your team's goals and objectives.

SPIRITUAL WARFARE: A LUTHERAN APPROACH

As Christians, we are involved in a spiritual battle of cosmic dimensions. The good news is that through Christ, we are on the winning side! This elective will explore the area of spiritual warfare from a Lutheran perspective, examining our armour, our relationship with Christ, the place of prayer and scripture, and knowing when to refer or seek outside help.

RUNNING 'CHILD SAFE' PROGRAMS

An introduction to Risk management and the tools within the Child Safe system. A chance to ask questions and discuss the challenges of running these activities and programs. Also talk about the importance of a 'child safe' culture and some important steps to achieve this.

BUILDING THE BRIDGE

A new course that seeks to explore how our encouragement, God's wisdom and a shared reflection helps others to grow their faith. Taking time for a closer look at biblical characters we see how our forefathers in the faith responded to the topic of our camp.

PROGRESSING DISCIPLES

We may offer differing programs, but there are some crucial times in the lives of families, children, youth and young people that we can target to help them progress as Jesus' disciples, build relationships and keep them as part of the faith community.

BYTE SIZED CHANGE

So much has changed in the world of media and technology, and the church is not exempt from these changes. This session will explore how media and technology has changed our church culture and community over the years and look at ways that all generations can embrace these changes and to support each other on their faith journey.

BEING YOUR B.E.S.T

Everyone in a church community has something to offer, no matter their age. Discover how churches can mentor, nurture and engage all ages in ministry opportunities and how everyone has a role to play in encouraging people to be their B.E.S.T.

RECRUITING PARENTS FOR MINISTRY AT HOME

Gather and interact as we model a free resource designed to get parents on board for ministry at home. You'll learn the "Cow and Haystack" talk to take back to your church in order to help parents come to their own conclusions to get involved in the faith life of their kids.

ABOUT THE PRESENTERS

MONTY LYSNE

Monty Lysne is currently the Director of Discipleship at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Loxton, SA. He spent fifteen years as National Director of Youth and Family Ministries at Faith Inkubators in the United States, where he designed materials and trained pastors and lay workers in more effective, parent-involved forms of youth and family ministry.

Sessions: *Keynote - Make your teaching 'sticky', Recruiting Parents for Ministry at Home*

ROWAN LEWIS

Rowan is the lecturer in Youth Studies at Tabor College in Victoria, and PhD student with the MCD University of Divinity. His work focuses on the spiritual lives of teens and twenties, particularly journeying with young people in the context of doubt, questioning and periods of transition.

Sessions: *Mentoring Young People*

EMMA GRAETZ

Emma has been a lay worker for the Lutheran Church for over 10 years, serving in South Australia, Queensland and New Zealand in various child, youth and family ministry roles. She is currently the Grassroots Training Coordinator at Australian Lutheran College, providing training opportunities to churches, schools, districts and ministry groups.

Sessions: *Byte-Sized Changes, Being your B.E.S.T., Capturing the experience*

PASTOR DAMIEN MARTIN

Pastor Damien is married with 3 children and is the current pastor to the Dimboola and Jeparit congregations in the Wimmera. Prior to being a pastor he has managed a retail business, worked for the Department of Primary Industries, and experienced both overseas and at home mission work.

Sessions: *Bridging the Gap, Building the Bridge*

PASTOR BRETT KENNET

Pastor Brett has served a number of parishes and is currently serving as Pastor for Congregational Support for the Victorian District.

Sessions: *Christian Meditation*

PASTOR NATHAN HEDT

Pastor Nathan is the District Pastor for Tertiary and Youth Ministry. He has extensive experience in working with young adults (both Christian and non-Christian) and is passionate about helping Christians grow to spiritual maturity.

Sessions: *Spiritual Warfare: A Lutheran Approach*

LACHLAN WALTER

Lachlan is an engineer working in the steel industry and has been attending, leading on and coordinating the planning of LYV camps for over 10 years.

Sessions: *Running 'Child Safe' Programs, Bridging the Gap*

TIM WIEBUSCH

Tim has a long history of leading and developing teams in volunteer environments serving as the Deputy Chief Officer of the SES, the Chair of the LCA Board for Children, Youth and Family Ministry and is currently Victoria's representative on the LCA's General Church Council.

Sessions: *Getting the Team to Gel*

JOEL MCKERROW

Joel is a Melbourne based writer, speaker, performance poet and theological college lecturer who for many years was running a course for 17-22 year olds, called 'Year in the Son', which focussed on both identity formation and spiritual formation during the late adolescent years.

Sessions: *Spiritual Formation of Adolescents*

KEREN LOEFFLER

Keren is the Child & Family Ministry Coordinator at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Box Hill. She is particularly passionate about the church partnering with families to grow faith.

Sessions: *Progressing Disciples*