# FLY December 2019

## Middle School News

#### **CONFIRMATION IMPORTANT DATES:**

Wednesday, Dec. 4: Mentor Meeting Tuesday, Dec. 17: Middle School Release Time Wednesday, Dec. 25: No Confirmation

CONFIRMATION RETREAT: DECEMBER 13-15 at Green Lake.

## **High School News**

#### FLY NIGHT:

New Year's Eve, Eve Party, Monday, December 30, beginning at 8 p.m. in the youth space.

Faith Lutheran Youth Night Every Wednesday, 7 p.m. at Faith Come join us for small groups, deep talks, fun, games, and fellowship as we learn about Jesus and pursue godliness together.

## Noteworthy News and Events

#### Summer 2020 Mission Trip

Mission Trip Sign–ups are live! We are going to Nashville, TN from July 10-18, 2020. Students 9-12 are eligible. Space is limited, so register today on the Faithlc.com website under the "Forms" tab.

## **Knowing Your Teenager**

Currently, we are doing a study with the high school students on Revelation. As we begin to do a deep dive into one of the most complicated books of the Bible, I asked myself why it is so hard to read and understand. As I got down to the core of the issue, I realized that instead of finding the central theme of the book, I was caught up in everything else. What baffles me is how often we forget to look to the center or "the why" (as I have lovingly called it). In my time working with students, I had lots of parents coming to me asking me how to handle a situation with their student. Every issue has a reason. I encourage you to explore a question that could change the way you interact with your student: Why? Most issues don't involve your student being mad at you. Usually there is something going on at school, or they're dealing with the frustrations of being a teenager! Jesus looked confidently to the why in us. Why do we sin? Because we are sinners! Instead of shaking it off, and saying that's all we are, He proclaimed "I am going to love you through this." I encourage you to live into this: offer a little grace, get to the why, love each other, and move forward from there.