



The Fruitport boys soccer team poses with its 2025 Division 2 district championship trophy. (Photo courtesy of Fruitport Athletics)

Campus Life Update



by Adam Aldridge, Fruitport High School Campus Life Director, West Michigan Youth For Christ

This Summer, we at Campus Life had the privilege of taking 19 FHS students to the Smoky Mountains! We spent a week hiking up trails like Charlie’s Bunyon, Chimney Tops, and even went white water rafting. It was great to get our kids out of their normal day-to-day routines and elements and push them out of their comfort zones. Most of all, it was a great time to share Jesus with them. At the end of the week, we celebrated 6 students saying yes to Jesus for the very first time!

After 5 years, we were finally ready to launch our first Student Leaders and Young Leaders cohorts. 8 student leaders and 3 young leaders embarked on an intensive journey this Summer as we dove into what it means to be a disciple of Jesus and to disciple others. This school year, our student leaders will take the reins in leading clubs, sharing Jesus with their peers.

On September 28, we launched our ministry year with Color Wars at Pomona

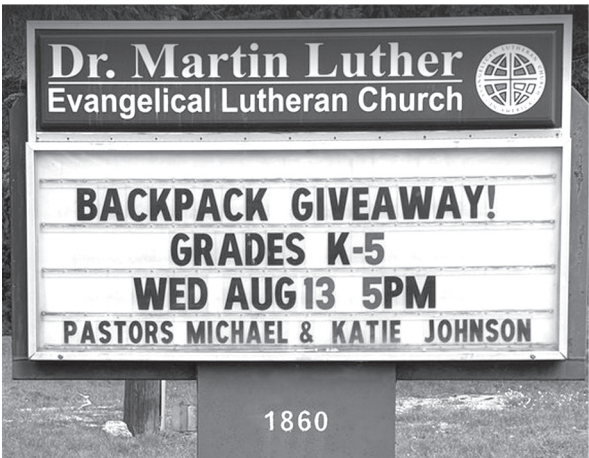
Park, where we invited several area churches to join us. It was a blast, and it marks a great start to the year.

Coming up, we’re looking forward to Student Club starting and Winter Camp in December.

As we enter our fifth year of ministry, we have taken a lot of time to give thanks to God for our community that has supported us and joined us in this mission. We also give thanks for the growth that we have seen year after year, not just as a ministry, but in the lives of students who have begun relationships with Jesus.

We’re also looking forward to the next 5 years, and we would love to invite you to partner with the mission of Campus Life. As we continue to grow this ministry, there are certain financial goals that have to be met in order to remain sustainable. Would you consider partnering with us? I (Adam) would love to share with you, your church, small group, or even business, about the vision of Campus Life and how you can partner with us. Please feel free to reach out at AALDRIDGE@WMYFC.ORG or visit WMYFC.ORG to learn more.

Local Church Gives Out Backpacks



One hundred children received backpacks stuffed with new school supplies as they head into the 2025-2026

school year on August 13th.

Young members of the Dr. Martin Luther Evangelical Lutheran Church collected change throughout the previous months and pooled their collections to buy new backpacks, pencils, notebooks, etc., for their peers. Adults helped with the purchasing stuffing the backpacks in the days leading up to the giveaway.

All backpacks were distributed either on site at the Church located at 1860 Hile Road or through Mission for Area People.

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Friday, October 31
5 to 8 PM

“Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take.”
Proverbs 3:6

Inside BAZAAR & “yard sale”

- Many handmade items
- Delicious baked goods (pies, cookies, brownies & more)

Friday, November 15
9 AM to 5 PM

A BBQ lunch will also be available (Eat in or take out)

First Congregational Church
3212 Pontaluna Road ~ Fruitport
(just across from Edgewood Elementary School)
Questions?? Directions??
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