

“News From The Pump” – Filling Station Youth Ministry

Fall Edition



Alma First Church of God (200 W Superior St. Alma, MI 48801)
For all current 7th-12th grade students

Bonfire Night @ Kreider House

Friday, Sept. 14th

Who: All incoming 7th-12th grade students

Where: 637 N Pine River St, Ithaca

When: 9:00-11:00pm (after the football games)

What: A time to invite friends and enjoy some snacks around the fire after the football games!
Must have your own rides to and from this event

Youth Kick-Off – Backyard Olympics

Sunday, Sept. 16th

Who: All incoming 7th-12th grade students

What: Reconnect and Meet New Friends, with a Bonfire and Yard Games.

Our Autumn Food Options: Hotdogs and Smores, Cider and Donuts

When: 5:30-8:30pm*.

Where: 424 Gale Court, Ithaca (The Bartniks House)

Bring: Just yourself (and friends) - be sure to dress for being outside and a few messy games

*Parents/Rides: Parents, feel free to bring your students to and from Bartniks. Night ends at 8:30pm (one hour longer than normal time). Please make sure your ride picks you up at the Bartnik's house. If you need a ride to and from the event, there will be a church van shuttle leaving the Filling Station Parking Lot at 5:15pm sharp and returning by 9pm.

Sunday Nights @ the Filling Station begins Sept. 23rd

For 7th through 12th grade students. Worship together, connect, discuss important topics, and of course, eat, hang out and have fun! Students meet every Sunday Night during the school year from 5:30 to 7:30 pm.

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Sunday Morning Christian Education – Begins Sept. 9th

Students will meet every Sunday morning from 9:15-10:15am at the Filling Station

NEW FOR 2018: Come explore our foundations of faith and realize there is more to your own story!

Coffee/doughnuts at His Place at 8:45am

Sunday Morning Teachers:

7th-8th – Alan Quackenbush, Laura Karr

9th-12th – Will Luetkemeier, Ben Kreider

Butter Braids Fundraiser: October 7th-28th

Delivery: Nov. 12th

Want to begin saving for youth events? Each student has a youth account that can help pay for winter retreat, youth trips, and mission experiences. Fundraiser begins in October and all forms due Sunday, Oct. 28th.

Delivery/pickup orders scheduled for Monday, November 12th, from 5-6:30pm.

Servant Leadership Experience (Location TBA)

INFORMATION MEETING – Sept. 30th

For all incoming 9th-12th grade students in 2019: please plan on attending this 15 minute informational meeting. Topics Covered: mission location and vision, important dates, raising support, answering questions.

Location: West Room (Church Sanctuary) following 10:30am Worship Service.

Student Leadership

Ongoing (Contact Pastor Ben)

Want to get involved in using discovering your gifts and using them to make a difference? Talk to Pastor Ben! Whether it's greeting, writing notes, music, skits, tech booth, or welcoming new students, the opportunities are endless!

Medical Form for Youth Events/Trips*

MUST HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN RETREATS AND EVENTS IN 2018-2019

*New forms required each calendar year. Please be sure to pick up/complete the Medical Release Form for your son/daughter which for all youth events and trips for September 2018-August 2019. Forms available directly inside the main doors of the Filling Station to your left, or on the youth website –

<http://almacog.org/connect/student-ministries>

Staying Connected – Resources for Parents

Email the church at firstcog@gmail.com and ask to be added to the “Newsletters” email list OR

Check out the youth website: <http://almacog.org/connect/student-ministries> (here, you can get youth news, sign-ups and downloadable forms.)

Want up-to-date youth info and news? Here are some options:

Join the Filling Station Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/27558984218/>

Email Pastor Ben at: fillingstation@almacog.org OR

Call Pastor Ben at the church: 989-463-3730

Parents: Snacks for Students

Our goal: To have enough volunteers so that each family would provides snacks only once per semester.

Please contact **Ginger Greenwood (989-763-3825)** to sign up for a Sunday

Thank you for blessing students each year through snacks!