

First Presbyterian Church Summer Youth Mission Trip July 14-21, 2018

This summer we have the exciting opportunity to spend a week serving in Providence, Rhode Island. Over the last year we have developed a great relationship with Providence Rescue Mission, a ministry that has been serving thousands of the poor and homeless since 1999. We are excited to spend a whole week there for the first time.

While we are working with Providence Rescue Mission we will learn about the power of the Gospel and what it means for people who daily face issues of poverty, race, and homelessness. This geographically nearby but demographically very different urban setting will be an eye-opening environment and great catalyst for growth. We'll have the opportunity to serve at the Rescue Missions' soup kitchen, homeless shelter, food pantry, clothing givaways, and outreach in the local community. Providence Rescue Mission will also connect us with other needs in the city through the relationships they have built in the community.

This trip is open to students completing grades 8-12 in 2018 who are active and regularly involved in Youth Group, Sunday School and Worship at First Presbyterian Church.

We will drive to Providence on Saturday, July 14th and return on Saturday, July 21st. The cost for the trip will be \$250. This includes transportation, housing, and food. Extra spending money can be used for buying souvenirs or snacks. We will be doing several fund raisers, but ultimately the responsibility of raising the money to go on the trip rests with the students who go on the trip.

If you are interested in being a part of this Missions Trip, fill out and turn in an application to Anna Hadorn no later than Friday, February 2nd, 2017. When we receive your application you will be scheduled for an interview with our youth committee and those leading the trip. They will ask you questions about your desires to serve, your own spiritual life and growth, and your involvement in the life of our church. Upon acceptance for the trip there will be several required training sessions, as well as a book to read and discuss and some homework to complete as well.

If you have any questions at all about the trip, or the application process, please contact Anna Hadorn at (978)-602-0468 or anna.hadorn@gordon.edu

