

# THE VELL

A note from **ZACH**

The beginning of our program year has arrived and I can't wait for things to kick off on September 9. Each year we spend a chunk of time evaluating, thinking about changes, about what is missing, and what we have the capacity for. That's a lot of technical talk that boils down to us talking about what matters to us, what matters to the Church, and ultimately what programs look like as testament to who Christ is. And I'll confess something to you: sometimes we hit the mark and sometimes we don't. It isn't too different to how we live our lives. When we have the capacity we reflect on our own lives and ask what faith looks like - both as an outpouring of Christ's love in our particular context as well as holding ourselves accountable to times when we should push back against context. And none of us does that perfectly all the time. It's messy. It takes time. And it requires mercy and grace along the way. This year we hope you join us in the mess. It's one of the ways we do community together and it's one of the ways we learn what faith is.



## HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT

Hey high schoolers! Don't miss this opportunity to grow closer with your youth group family. Join us for a one-night retreat to Heartland Presbyterian Center near Parkville, MO! Friends are invited. Forms will be available starting September 9th!

Date: September 29-30  
Cost: \$55

### MS EMERALD CITY

Middle Schoolers, join us for a late night at Emerald City before your Friday off! Invite your friends! Forms will be available starting September 9th! Meet at Emerald City

Date: October 11  
Cost: \$20

### 12TH GRADE DINNER

Sept 22

Oct 20  
9TH GRADE DINNER

### HS TOP GOLF

High Schoolers, join us for our annual Top Golf outing on your morning off! No sign-up required, just show up. Meet at Top Golf!

Date: October 12  
Cost: Free!  
Have a Top Golf card? Bring it!  
Don't have one? Bring \$5!

### INTERN EMMA

Emma Pirotte, one of our summer interns, will officially be staying on the youth staff through the school year as our year-long intern! We're so excited for her to bring her summer experience and goofy self with her into the school season.



## WHAT'S NEW?

### ALL YOUTH

\* All weekly programs kickoff Sept 9

\* Trip forms will be out Sept 9 and will be available exclusively in the church building for the first 2 weeks

### HIGH SCHOOL

\* Retreat: Sept 29-30

\* 12th Grade Dinner: Sept 22

\* Top Golf: Oct 12

\* 9th Grade Dinner: Oct 20

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

\* Emerald City: Oct 11

Want to reach one of us?

Visit the [about](#) page on the youth website!

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# SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

SNL | HS Youth Group, 6:30-8:30PM  
 GPS | MS Youth Group, 6:30-8PM  
 WND | Wednesday Night Dinner, 5:30-6:30PM  
 Middle Schoolers join us before GPS, bring \$5!

Alpha & Omega | Sunday School, 9:30-10:30AM  
 Lofternoons | MS After-School Program, 4-5:30PM  
 Early Table | HS Morning Devotional, 7:30-8:15AM  
 Zach's House: 5401 W. 77th St. PVKS 66208

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Program Break						
	Labor Day!					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Kickoff Week! Programs Begin!						
Alpha & Omega 9:30-10:30AM  SNL 6:30-8:30PM		Lofternoons 4-5:30PM	WND 5:30-6:30PM GPS 6:30-8:00	Early Table 7:30-8:15AM		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table		12th Grade Dinner! 6:30-8:00PM
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table		HS Retreat
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
HS Retreat Alpha & Omega  (NO SNL)		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table  MS Emerald City 9:00-11:00PM	HS Top Golf 10:00AM-12:00PM	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table		9th Grade Dinner! 6:30-8:00PM
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons	WND + GPS	Early Table		
28	29	30	31			
Alpha & Omega  SNL		Lofternoons				

