

2026 AURORA MISSION WEEK

Monday, June 22 - Friday, June 26

St. Olaf Lutheran Church, 1233 Douglas Ave, Montgomery, IL US 60538

Cost: \$50.00



TEAM LEADER: Brian Zielke

WHO: Youth entering 6th grade – graduated from 12th grade

This will be our fifth summer sending LOLyouth to serve alongside one of our mission partners, Urban Youth Ministry (UYM), which is a ministry of Wayside Cross in Aurora, IL.

WHY AURORA?

We want LOLyouth to know that they don't have to travel around the world to do missions. There are opportunities to serve the Lord and be a part of what God is doing in our local community. God has given each of us different gifts, experiences, talents, skills, and passions. We want LOLyouth to learn that they can find a place to serve now and don't have to wait until they are older. We prayerfully expect God will use this week to transform our hearts and minds, igniting the desire to faithfully serve God in all places at all times.

While this team is mainly for LOLyouth, we would like to invite adults who are interested in serving to join us! If you're an adult who has a heart for Jesus and youth, we'd love to talk with you about joining us.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

Each day we'll meet at Lord of Life at 10am to begin with prayer and a devotion together before we travel to St Olaf Lutheran Church. UYM uses the church basement and outside property for their programs. We'll get to know the UYM kids and build relationships with them by mingling and playing during free time as they arrive. Then we'll sit with them and eat lunch together. After that we'll help lead the program rotations, which are Bible time, academics, and game time. Some of our team will travel through the rotations with a group of kids while others will help lead a rotation lesson, game, or activity. Friday is a field trip day so we will go with UYM wherever their fun field trip is scheduled to be that day. **Each day we will return to Lord of Life by 5pm**. We usually stop for a treat each day on the way back to LOL!

WHO SHOULD GO?

We're looking for mature youth and adults who have a passion for serving their local community, love children, and are willing to do what it takes to show the love of Christ to those around them.

QUESTIONS? Contact Brian Zielke at brian@lolchurch.net

