

Gather Miami Valley

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[GATHER MIAMI VALLEY WEBSITE](https://gathermiami.com)

Summer Recap

Campfire Worship



Tie-Dye Party



Pins Social Event



Gather Newsletter Introduction

Hello! My name is Mary Groom, and I am part of the leadership team for Gather Miami Valley. We will be sending out a quarterly newsletter to keep people updated on upcoming events, share some past events and highlights, and to help you stay connected. Our Gather site operates under ELCA Young Adult Ministries and is 1 of 51 Gather sites across the United States. Our mission is as stated on the Gather Network website, **"These ministries create space for young adults to join in fellowship, worship, community, and discussion. Gather invites the group to ask challenging questions of ourselves, our faith, and our world. We hope to create these communities for young adults across race, disability, faith background, gender, sexuality, and perspective to feel welcome to meet, to be, to gather."**

Please know you are most welcome in this ministry to meet, to be, and to gather. To get involved, information can be found on our website which is linked at the top. You can fill out the contact form and someone from our leadership team will be in contact. Wherever you are in your faith journey, there is space for you.

Summer Events 2026

Gather Miami Valley tends to slow down in the summer to accommodate school and vacation schedules, but we continued to *gather* and enjoy time together. The bottom picture is from our social event at Pins in downtown Dayton. We enjoyed duckpin bowling, drinks, and conversation. Our other major summer event was our second annual campfire worship. At Epiphany Austin Campus we hosted 16 young adults in God's creation for s'mores, worship, and fellowship.



Coffee, Check-in & Devotions

Grab your morning beverage, a Bible, and join other young adults for a time of fellowship and devotion together. Explore spiritual and contemplative practices that you can take with you beyond this half hour together.

Thursdays 8-8:30am
Gather Discord Channel
Begins September 24th





Upcoming Events & Programs Calendar

Here is a detailed look at our upcoming schedule. We invite you to join us for learning, fellowship, and service.

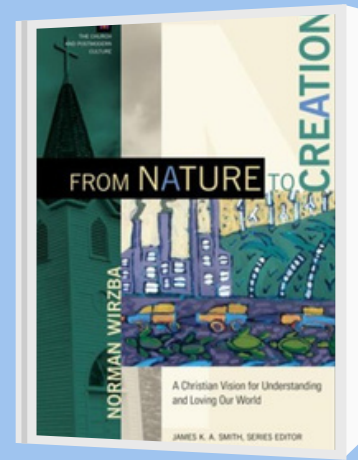
OCT 2-3 Fall Retreat (18-39)

Register now for the Young Adult Fall Retreat at Hopewood Pines in Marengo, Ohio. The cost is \$94 per adult which covers lodging, food, and activities. Programming will include worship, fellowship, time for reflection, and relaxation. Come enjoy God's creation, restore, and renew. [Register here.](#)

JUN 28 - JUL 2 ELCA Young Adult Gathering (18-35)

We hope you will be able to join us in traveling to Minneapolis next summer for the 2nd Young Adult Gathering. For more details, check out the [Young Adult Gathering Webpage](#). The deadline to reserve your spot is October 1st. For questions or to sign up reach out to Mary Groom at mgroom@epiphanydayton.org.

Faith Formation †



[From Nature to Creation: A Christian Vision for Understanding and Loving Our World \(The Church and Postmodern Culture\)](#)

Join the Zoom Meeting for discussion

Tuesdays, 8:15pm-9:15pm

10/6 - Intro, Chapters 1-2

10/13 - Chapters 3-4

10/20 - Chapter 5

Other Upcoming Events:

October 24th - 4-6pm

Social Outing at The Silos in Dayton

November 20th - 5:30-7pm

Friendsgiving @ Abiding Christ Lutheran Church in Fairborn

Winter 2027

Chosen Season 3 Online Watch Party (dates to be posted)