

Presbytery of the Highlands  
Stated Meeting  
Youth Leader Formation Team Report  
March 11, 2025

We have been working on plans for the youth of the Presbytery of the Highlands to attend the Triennium 2025! Highlands Presbytery will share a bus with the Presbytery of Northeast New Jersey and Hudson River Presbytery(NY). The bus will depart from Morris Plains Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening, July 27<sup>th</sup> and return late Thursday night, July 31<sup>st</sup>. The estimated cost per family for a youth to attend is \$500. The Presbytery will be providing financial support to cover the remaining costs. Churches are encouraged to consider helping to further offset the cost. Mae Martella, Children's Ministry Coordinator at The Presbyterian Church of Morris Plains, will be serving as the Triennium Registrar for the Presbytery of the Highlands. Currently 8 youth, 1 young adult volunteer and 3 chaperones have signed up to attend. There is still room for 6 more youth. The deadline to reserve a spot on the bus is March 31<sup>st</sup>. We strongly encourage you to talk with your youth and ask them to fill out this google form in order to reserve a spot. <https://forms.gle/qmUG2KsdmdzQ65VZA>.

To find out more about Presbyterian Youth Triennium, visit their website. <https://presbyterianyouthtriennium.org/>

**Family Spirituality Camp - March 1, 2025**

This Saturday morning event designed for families, to support home routines and rituals that encourage spiritual awareness and connection. Together we will ask "Where is God?" by stepping into stories that help us explore the question from a variety of perspectives. There will be crafts, songs, stories, a meal and fun! At the time of this writing, we have 25 people signed up to attend. We will provide a brief oral report at the Presbytery meeting.

To stay current on events and resources for youth ministry, check out the YLF webpage: <https://highlandspresbytery.nj.org/young-leader-formation-team/>. If you are interested in joining the team, contact Steve Shussett at [steves@highlandspresbytery.nj.org](mailto:steves@highlandspresbytery.nj.org)

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