



## Upcoming Youth Events for PWNC



**April 23, 2022**

**Adventure Day**

**Camp Grier, Old Fort, NC**

**Day long event for all middle and high school youth.**

**Come for a fun filled day outside at Camp Grier. Pack a picnic lunch. Dinner served by the camp.**

**Cost: \$25 per person**



**October 2, 2022**

**Youth Rally for BOTH middle and high school youth**

**Montreat - Upper Anderson**

**NO registration needed**

**2:45 - 6:00 pm**

**Cost: Free!!**



**November 5-6, 2022**

**Middle School Retreat**

**Keynote Speaker: TBD**

**Camp Grier, Old Fort, NC**

**Begins on Saturday morning and ends after worship on Sunday**

**Cost: ~\$80 per person**

**Are you on the email list for YOUTH LEADERS? If not, contact Beth Gunn at [beth.gunn@gmail.com](mailto:beth.gunn@gmail.com) and request to be added to this list. You will get direct emails about all the youth events and about how your youth can apply to become a Youth Council member!**

PRESBYTERY OF WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

# YOUTH COUNCIL

ALWAYS FUN

ALWAYS CHALLENGING



I would encourage youth to apply to PYC because it is wonderful to get to know other people your age outside of your home church that share your beliefs, as well while working towards a common goal to put on an event. The events themselves are also so fun and it is very rewarding to see the participants enjoy their day. PYC events are so good at bringing people together to share in the love of Jesus Christ, and I'm so happy I got the chance to help make those events a reality. When I joined PYC, I had no idea how long I would continue to do it or how impactful it would be, and three years later I'm so sad to be leaving it and all the wonderful memories. Enjoy your time on PYC, every day of the events and planning meetings is so awesome and fun!

Gabby Putt

I've served on PYC for two years, and I've loved every minute of it. I've met some of the greatest people, who I would normally never meet. I got to meet people from all over the presbytery and I have such fun memories with them. Not only that, but it's a great way to get closer to God and learn to be a leader. I love planning and leading events. I'm so glad I decided to join PYC.

Sarah Brooks

## why should **YOU** apply?

The year I joined the Presbyterian Youth Council, I was a completely different person than I am now. I remember being quite shy and often felt nervous about leading or speaking in front of groups of people. PYC gave me the opportunity to push myself to do things I never imagined I could do, whether that was writing prayers and liturgy for the worship team, speaking in front of crowds, and even leading small groups at the middle school retreat. This is what I know to be true: PYC has changed me for the better, and this is why I want to encourage \*you\* to join! The warm welcome you will receive during orientation and every meeting from then on out, the friendships you will make, and the guidance of Beth and all of the team members will stick with you forever. PYC is fun, but it is every bit as rewarding. You will get to oversee service projects, watch connections happen among people who had not known each other the day before, and you will get to watch yourself go through a tremendous amount of growth.

Samantha Crabtree

PYC is a great experience that allows you to connect with other youth from across the presbytery and apply yourself to spreading God's word. It is a time to ask questions, to grow in your faith, to reach out to others about their faith. Each event is a new chance for you to be a leader. Being a member of PYC means that you are part of a family that works hard and plays hard.

**Applications  
available on  
website**

([www.presbytery](http://www.presbytery)

[wnc.org](http://wnc.org))

**Due June  
10th**

**Questions?**

Email Beth  
[beth.gunn@gmail.com](mailto:beth.gunn@gmail.com)

## Scripture/Thoughts Doodling Instruction:

Sometimes it is easier to listen for God's voice if our hands are creating. As you spend the next few minutes in creative activity, turn off all the other things buzzing around in your head and try to simply be quiet and present to God.

TAPE your 6 X 6 piece of Bristol board down to a sheet of white copy paper.

Use strips of masking tape to CREATE A SIMPLE DESIGN on your small board. Use oil pastels to COLOR in between the strips.

You may layer more than one color. Once you have colored in all the sections, put a few drops of baby oil on a cotton ball and use it to BLEND the oil pastels together.

Gently REMOVE the strips of masking tape.

SELECT a portion of scripture or a line from a poem or your favorite quote that particularly seems to "speak" to you and use a black marker to WRITE it into the white spaces left by the masking tape.



*Perfect spaces for thoughts, scripture to be written in.*



*This activity can be used with all age groups not just youth!*