## April 2022 Council Report

The beginning of April found our group at Camp Nawakwa for our annual spring retreat weekend. We filled Dietz lodge with youth eager to spend time together in the woods. We enjoyed a 4-part Bible discussion series titled 'Stress''. We had beautiful weather and enjoyed hiking and a campfire.

On Palm Sunday our group participated in a discussion night for the Race Against Racism. It was such a meaningful time together with other adults from our community to discuss actions we can take to eliminate racism.

Monday April 18 we again gathered for a Race Against Racism discussion night in the youth lounge. I was out of town and unable to participate in this evening discussion.

At the end of April, our Lower Susquehanna Synod held the annual ALiVE Middle School retreat weekend at Nawakwa. This was originally scheduled for September 2021, but was cancelled because of low registration numbers and high Covid case counts. We took 2 middle school youth members to this fantastic weekend event, titled 'Beloved'. Small groups, large groups, games and music filled our weekend at Nawakwa. We ended the weekend with Sunday morning worship at Upper Temple.

May events:

May 1: Final Race Against Racism event May 6: Campfire at Stephanie's house May 15: Senior send off at Stephanie's house

June and July:

June 19-25: LSS Confirmation Camp at Nawakwa July 24-27: Boundless Celebration at Nawakwa (replaces National Gathering)

Respectfully,

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