

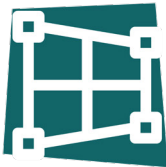
# CREATED TO BE

## 2024 ELCA YOUTH GATHERING JULY 16-20 - NEW ORLEANS PRE-EVENTS: MYLE & the table - JULY 13-16

### OUR GOALS



affirmed & challenged  
in their faith



experience new  
perspectives



ponder their vocation



bond with their  
congregational group



learn more about the  
ELCA and our partners

### So.. what is the Gathering?

Every three years, thousands of high school youth and their adult leaders from across the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America gather for a week of faith formation known as the ELCA Youth Gathering. Through days spent in interactive learning, worship, Bible study, service and fellowship, young people grow in faith and are challenged and inspired to live their faith in their daily lives.

An important part of the Gathering's ministry are the two pre-events, the Multicultural Youth Leadership Event (MYLE), a faith formation and leadership development event primarily for youth of color, and the tAble, a gathering that brings together, blesses and empowers youth with disabilities.

The ministry of the Gathering is excited to partner with Young Adult Ministries to host the first-ever ELCA Young Adult Gathering for individuals who will be 18-35 at the time of the Gathering. This event will take place during the 2024 Gathering.

### ...and where is it?

A timeless city with a unique way of life, New Orleans is a journey and a celebration. Steeped in European traditions and Caribbean influences, the Big Easy calls curious minds to sweet sounds and savory aromas fueled by three hundred years of history. As the birthplace of jazz, the home to Creole cuisine and its unmatched southern hospitality, New Orleans will leave you wanting to explore and discover the mystery behind this magical city. ✨

### ...and where will we stay?

The Gathering has contracted with a variety of hotels, and they are excited to welcome everyone! Hotel rates will vary, but congregations are encouraged to budget \$175 (plus tax) per room, per night. Room types (king, double/double, suite) also vary, but for budgeting purposes you can expect that your congregation's room block assignment will accommodate an average of three people per room.



A LIFE CHANGING FAITH FORMATION EVENT OF THE ELCA

# SAMPLE SCHEDULE

# OUR THEME: CREATED TO BE

We have been created to be ourselves. Created by the Holy One. Since the last time the ELCA came together for an ELCA Youth Gathering, our young people have experienced several major life events. Still today, we are experiencing an ongoing public health crisis mixed with an economic and political crisis. However, we can rest assured that we are created to be in relationship with one another.

We are created to be **brave**, to show up with an open mind and heart, willing to be challenged. We are created to be **authentic**, to bring our whole selves and know that we are loved by our Creator. We are created to be **free**, to be transformed by the gospel. We are created to be **disruptive**, to work for justice for all our siblings. We are created to be **disciples**, to be sent out into the world to love our neighbor just as we are loved by God.

## REGISTRATION INFO

**Sept. 15, 2023** Priority Registration Opens  
 Gathering: \$375 (\$150 deposit due)  
 MYLE & the tAble: Free for first 1K (MYLE), 200 (the tAble)  
 Young Adult \$260 (\$150 deposit due)

**Nov. 2, 2023** Regular Registration Opens  
 Gathering: \$425 (\$150 deposit due)  
 MYLE & the tAble: Free for first 1K (MYLE), 200 (the tAble)  
 Young Adult \$310 (\$150 deposit due)

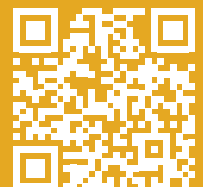
**Feb. 15, 2024** Late Registration Opens  
 Gathering: \$475 (\$150 deposit due)  
 MYLE & the tAble: Free for first 1K (MYLE), 200 (the tAble)  
 Young Adult \$360 (\$150 deposit due)

**April 15, 2024** Registration Ends

**April 30, 2024** Final Balance Due  
 (Registration + Hotel Fees)

WED - FRI	8:00 — 10:00 AM	<b>Accompaniment Launch</b> Convention Center
WED - FRI	10:00 AM — 2:00 PM	<b>Synod Day Worship</b> Hotel ballrooms
WED - FRI	10:00 AM — 2:00 PM	<b>Synod Experience</b> Varies by Synod
WED - FRI	10:00 AM — 3:30 PM	<b>Interactive Learning Open</b> Convention Center
TUES - FRI	4:30 — 6:30 PM	<b>Champion Square Open</b> Caesars Superdome
TUES - FRI	7:00 — 8:45 PM	<b>Mass Gathering</b> Caesars Superdome
TUES - FRI	9:15 — 10:45 PM	<b>Community Life</b> Hotel ballrooms
TUES - FRI	11:00 PM	<b>Final 15</b>
SATURDAY	8:30 AM	<b>Closing Worship Doors Open</b> Caesars Superdome
SATURDAY	9:30 — 11:30 AM	<b>Closing Worship</b> Caesars Superdome

learn more @ [elca.org/Gathering](https://elca.org/Gathering)



I PRAISE YOU, FOR I AM  
FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE.