

# ICYMI

SEPTEMBER 9TH 2019

Dear EDGE Parents,

Tonight we started our new EDGE year with games and fun! We played “plague tag” as well as games in small groups. We introduced the theme of the year FIAT, Latin for “let it be”, and we began to reflect on our first series of the year, *Thou Shall*, a series on the first five Commandments.



The goal for the first series is to begin sharing about the Ten Commandments as more than just rules. The Commandments were given to us by God out of love so we can live better and healthier lives. I shared a story in the large group about when I was working with young children in a school setting. During outside recess, I had to create a boundary around the playground. The boundary wasn't to ruin their fun times but it was created for their safety so they wouldn't run into moving vehicles in the parking lot. Same with the commandments. The Lord gave us Commandments so our lives can be full of pure joy and freedom!



We ended our night with a testimony from one of our high school leaders and prayer in the Church. Every week we will end with prayer in the Church. Those moments of silence are powerful for our young people. There is so much noise and so many voices coming at us every day. Having a small time of silence with the group allows us to bring all of our concerns to God and to listen to Him to speak to us in return.

Next week, we look forward to going deeper into the Ten Commandments. We have a guest speaker, Bruce Lanser, who particularly is passionate about the faith and how his faith allows him to live without fear!

Have a great week and God bless,

Corrie Christiaansen

## RESOURCES

- “Fiat” in Scripture - Mary’s fiat: Luke 1; “Fiat lux” let there be light: Genesis 1; Matthew 6
- Ten Commandments - Exodus 20:1-21; Catechism of the Catholic Church: #2050-2317

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Emmaus Small Groups start at the end of this month. Starting on September 29th, every Sunday before 6pm Mass, middle schoolers are welcome to pray and discuss the Mass readings in a small group setting.
- 2) This fall we are hosting two special events. First, on November 16th we will have a fall retreat day with Tim Schumaker, our seminarian. On December 14th, we are hosting an Advent party.
- 3) More info at our website [www.lakecountrylifeteen.com](http://www.lakecountrylifeteen.com) and social media @lakecountrylifeteen.
- 4) Friendly reminder that the doors open at 6pm if you want to hang out, play games, and have snacks before EDGE night begins at 6:30pm. In the future if the doors are locked, push the handicapped button to open the far left door. Be aware that Adoration is occurring in the chapel so stay quiet when walking in.