

# **Trinity Lutheran Youth Pledge**

## **Because:**

- **We believe our loving God created our world and we are its stewards.**
- **We believe our loving God created us as His children, equal in His eyes, but unique in our gifts.**
- **We believe our loving God sent His Son to save us from sin because He loves us.**
- **We believe the Holy Spirit inspires us to live a life of loving service and to try to make the world more like God intended it to be.**

## **We commit to the following:**

1. **We will study God's word alone and in community.**
2. **We will help to build and participate in a community of faith.**
3. **We will strive to balance our desires with our needs and the needs of others.**
4. **We will be generous with our time, talents, and treasures.**
5. **We will help to take care of God's earth by:**
  - **reducing consumption of energy and materials;**
  - **reusing and recycling materials;**
  - **encouraging environmentally friendly policy;**
  - **striving to handle our waste in a way that will not burden future generations;**
  - **renewing our commitment by enjoying His creation.**
6. **We will take care of our bodies as God's creation by:**
  - **eating healthfully;**
  - **exercising;**
  - **staying away from harmful substances and behaviors;**
  - **quieting our minds through prayer;**
  - **spending time in nature;**
  - **learning about God's world and the people in it.**
7. **We will treat others as we would want to be treated: listening; empathizing; respecting; protecting. We will love others as ourselves.**
8. **We will live our lives as examples of Christ's love so others come to know Him.**
9. **We will seek strength through the Bible, the Sacraments, prayer, the natural world, and community.**

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***We join the youth in their  
pledge by our signatures:***