

## Pray

*God of hope and healing, draw our hearts and hands to the needs of persons living with HIV, here and around the world. Guide and inspire researchers and clinicians to cure and prevent this deadly virus. Bring a spirit of compassion to all who are providing care. Give courage and determination to workers striving to prevent the virus' transmission. Protect and give hope to children and youth impacted by HIV. Teach each of us to welcome our hurting neighbors and defend them from the weight of stigma and hostility. Forgive us for creating and supporting barriers within our society, our churches, and our families that harm the health and personal dignity of persons with HIV and AIDS. Challenge us to respond to Christ's love by reaching ever wider in love for our neighbor. AMEN.*

## Learn

- ◆ Get the facts about HIV
- ◆ Find out about programs and services in this community
- ◆ Sponsor a discussion about the impact of stigma on persons with HIV
- ◆ Listen to persons who are living with HIV

## Serve

- ◆ Raise funds to serve DC-area kids and their families year-round
- ◆ Gather donations such as gift cards and supplies for youth camps
- ◆ Volunteer time

Contact *Youth Haven* to get involved in any of these activities:  
YouthHaven@LssNca.org 202-723-3000 ext 261.

**Youth Haven walks with families impacted by the stigma of AIDS to raise up young people who are healthy, connected and succeeding.**

**Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area**

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Jesus reached out and touched lepers and other people who society didn't love. He removed the X that marked them for hurt - and he gave them love and healing.

Since we have been marked with a + ... what are we going to do about the people with X's?

**World AIDS Sunday 2015**

**Pray, learn and serve to end AIDS stigma in our community.**

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