

## 10 Important Things We Learned in New Orleans!





- At past Gatherings, about 25% of participants arrived by airplane; 75% arrived by bus
- This year, about 75% will fly in; 25% will arrive by bus
- Because of this shift, the Gathering will provided buses to/from hotels (cost covered by your Synod Journey fee)

#### Synod Journey Steamboat Lunch & Tour On Tuesday



#### OUR HOTEL

- Astor Crowne Plaza
  - Great Location!
  - French Quarter
- Between Convention Center and Dome (stop and rest each afternoon...)
  - Across the street from Community Life Hotels
- Walgreens across the street



#### Accompaniment Day

- Night Before: Text from Servant Companion
- Text will confirm Launch Site and Time
- When you arrive, hear the Good News of what you'll be doing this morning!
- Debrief/Wrap Up at the Convention Center
- All projects will end by 1:00 so you have time to eat lunch



Be Kind and say Thank You to all the volunteers who will make this experience possible...

# Mandatory Adult Leader Online Training Opens May 1

No training - No wristbands

#### Wristband Info Line

There is a team of people (nurses, chaplins, and more) ready to help you, as needed, just call the info

### Wristband Replacement:

(if lost, broken, etc...)

\$525

#### Stadium Bag Policy

We are looking into the possibility to provide \*both\* Synod Journey T-shirts \*and\* Synod Journey Clear Bags (Yay!)



#### approved bags are:

clear, plastic, vinyl or PVC and does not exceed: 12" x 6" x 12" or 30.5 x 15.25 x 30.5 cm

small clutch purse (non-clear) that does not exceed 4.5" x 6.5"

The Clear Bag Policy will be implemented at Ernest N. Morial Convention Center and Caesars Superdome.



#### What's Next?

- February 15: \$400 payment (per person) to Synod Office is Due
- April 7: Group Building Opportunity (Locally)
- April 30: Payment due online to the Gathering
- May 1: Mandatory Gathering Adult Leader Training
   Opens Online
- May 15: Final Payment to Synod Office Due
- May TBD: Adult Leader Zoom Meeting: Final Itinerary
- June 15: Required Training Deadline
- July 14: Synod Journey Begins!

