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#### **Itinerary Overview**

#### JULY 14TH, 2024

Departure day! Today we will gather for morning Worship at the Augustana Chapel in Sioux Falls. Plan to gather and drop off luggage at the buses at 8 am before gathering in the Chapel for a sending service. This will be a long travel day, but we will break up the bus time with a dinner stop in Kansas City, and an evening exploring the grounds at the St. Louis Arch. We will SLEEP on the buses through the night to arrive in New Orleans on the morning of the 15th. Along with your comfiest clothes and blankets for a night on the bus, plan to pack a lunch for the day. We will not be stopping at a restaurant for a lunch break.

### JULY 15TH, 2024

Arrival in the Big Easy, woohoo! We will have a breakfast break in the area, before venturing through VUE Orleans at 10:30 am for an interactive dive into the city and the history of the area. Meals throughout the day will be on your own for your congregational groups to start exploring the city and getting a taste for the spice of the city. You are encouraged to break out of your comfort zone and try new foods. Depending on your food needs, recommendations for daily food costs are \$50 a day, \$10 for breakfast, \$20 for lunch, and \$30 for dinner. In the afternoon, we will explore New Orleans in small groups using the GooseChase App that will be used later in the week for Synod Day. We will check into the Sheraton Hotel at 3 pm. Then go to the Convention Center for Registration, to get wrist bands, and shirts. The evening will be a time to eat, shower, rest, and enjoy some time getting comfortable and settling in for the week.



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#### JULY 16TH, 2024

**Morning at the beach! This is a change from the original itinerary.** We will load the buses again at 8:30 am to head to the beach for the morning. We will come back around lunch time for food, clean up and afternoon free time in your congregational groups. And, in the evening, time for the first Mass Gathering! Champion Square opens at 4:30 pm.

#### JULY 17TH-19TH, 2024

#### Wednesday - Synod Day - Regional Worship 10 am

Lunch and Goosechase Scavenger Hunt on your own following - Purple Synod Shirt -Location | Convention Center: La Nouvelle Ballroom (900 Convention Center Blvd) **Thursday - Interactive Learning Day 10 am** at the Convention Center - Green LO Shirt **Friday - Accompaniment Day 7:30 am Launch** 

Launch Location | Convention Center - Orange Gathering Shirt

### JULY 20TH, 2024

Closing worship, then hit the road to head home. Buses will be loaded before Worship so we can leave immediately from the SuperDome. Meal stops will be made on the way home, but we will drive through to get home as quickly as possible with 6 buses. :-)



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