



LEAMNJ

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

2018 MARCH FOR OUR LIVES, DC – LEAMNJ BUSES

What is the March For Our Lives?

[March For Our Lives](#) is created by, inspired by, and led by students across the country who will no longer risk their lives waiting for someone else to take action to stop the epidemic of mass school shootings. On March 24, the kids and families of March For Our Lives will take to the streets of Washington, DC to demand that their lives and safety become a priority.

To read the ELCA Conference of Bishops statement of support for the March, [click here](#). The Episcopal Bishops Against Gun Violence also issued a statement, found [here](#). For more information on LEAMNJ's work against violence, follow us on [Facebook](#) and explore our [website](#).

Where does the march take place?

The march will take place between 3rd St. and 12th St. NW in Washington, DC. It will begin at noon. The speeches will be from the Freedom Plaza near the Ronald Regan Building. Buses will be leaving from four areas of New Jersey in the morning and returning in the evening.

Local marches will also be happening in various towns in New Jersey. [Find one here](#).

Where are bus pickups?

There will be buses leaving from the following four locations on the morning of March 24:

- NEWARK: Episcopal House, 31 Mulberry Street, Newark, NJ
- HAMILTON SQUARE: NJ Synod Office, 1930 State Highway 33, Hamilton Square, NJ 08690
- MARLTON: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 61 Route 70 East, Marlton, NJ 08053
- MONTCLAIR: St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 73 S. Fullerton Ave, Montclair, NJ 07042

How much walking will the day involve?

The March for Our Lives will be a day of standing and walking, so participants should be prepared with comfortable shoes to be outside and moving all day. Bus parking is about 3 miles from the march, so participants must be able to walk at least those 6 miles. There are [local marches](#) happening, as well, which will require less walking.

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What should I bring to the march?

We will review this information again in the pre-event training video, but you will want to bring essentials for the day but pack light. Water, good walking shoes, a hat, a coat as needed, and sun screen will be essential for a day outside. Please eat breakfast ahead of time or bring your own breakfast to eat on the bus. Lunch is also on your own in DC. We will provide some heavy snacks for the way home, but we will not stop for dinner.

Where can I watch the pre-event training video?

The pre-event training video will take place on [Facebook](#) Live at 8 pm on Monday, March 12. It will be recorded and posted on the [website](#) after this date. We require that all those attending the march watch the video.

Can I bring a sign or poster?

Yes! However, signs cannot be mounted on any hard objects (e.g., a piece of wood, a broom handle, etc.). Consider having a sign-making event with your youth group or congregation ahead of the event.

Where can I pick up my t-shirt?

T-shirts will be handed out the day of the event at your bus pickup location. Please provide your t-shirt size at registration.

Who can I contact if I have questions?

Any questions before the march can be directed to info@leamnj.org. On the day of, there will be bus co-captains who can be contacted. Your co-captains will reach out ahead of time with contact information.

MORE INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED AS IT BECOMES AVAILABLE.