



2020-2021 is going to be a huge year for St. Luke's Youth! We have so much ahead of us and our leadership is dedicated to making this year the best year we've ever had!

We are ministry that believes in **ACCEPTANCE** of ALL! We welcome you with radical **HOSPITALITY** into our Christ-Centered **COMMUNITY**, so that together we can grow in **DISCIPLESHIP** and **SERVE** others. Student leadership will now play a big part in this mission and we have developed a new structure that mirrors that of our church ministry teams. Rather than applying for a specific role (other than if you wish to be a *Team Captain*), you will apply to be on a team - **CONNECT**, **GROW**, or **SERVE**.

*The **WORSHIP** team will consist of our Youth Praise Band and Youth Tech Team. You can also be a part of this team, but by audition/training and interview only. Contact Antony Larry alarry@st.lukes.org for Youth Praise Band info, and Brandon Sangster bsangster@st.lukes.org for Youth Tech Team info.*

Our goal is to provide a cohesive opportunity in leadership development with a strong partnership between adult leaders and student leaders. This team oriented format is sure to provide growth of both our students and our youth ministries in a positive way.

Applications for 2020-2021 Student Leadership are now being accepted and are due Sunday, July 12th.

CONNECT Team

"YOU BELONG" to Beloved Community

Connect and care by navigating and celebrating life, and building community through radical hospitality, monthly social events, and retreats/camp.

- The Connect Team's main goal is to create (and maintain) a culture of community and inclusion within our ministry, living out our statement *"You Belong"*.
- This team will work with the Youth Ministry Director, the St. Luke's Director of Connect Ministries, and Adult Leaders create opportunities for fellowship.
- Tasks will include:
 - Greeters for Sunday and Wednesday Nights
Making sure new students are welcomed, info card filled out, introduced to the Youth Ministry Director and at least 1 adult leader, and plugged in with others in or around their grade level.
 - Helping feel connected during Large and Small Group Discipleship times
 - Developing 2 designated CONNECT (fellowship) events per semester (i.e. day trips, night events, retreats)
 - Assisting in developing age level hangouts
 - Helping to invite people to youth

GROW Team

"YOU GROW" to Awaken Disciples

Growing in faith through small groups, worship, and acts of piety.

- The Grow Team's main goal is leading among peers in discipleship, mentoring, and assisting in worship.
- This team will work with the Youth Ministry Director and Adult Leaders.
- ***This team will also work in tandem with our Worship Team (our Youth Praise Band and Youth Tech Team)***
- Tasks will include:
 - Helping develop programming for St. Luke's Youth Large and Small Group Discipleship times
 - Reading Scripture and/or Liturgy in Sunday Morning Worship when scheduled
 - High School members of this team will act as Jr. Leaders and assist with MERGE (*our 5th & 6th Grade Ministry*)

SERVE Team

"YOU SERVE" to Reveal the Kingdom

Serving in monthly missions and outreach to the community, and reaching beyond through awareness, action, and advocacy.

- The Serve Team's main goal is to engage our youth in service and outreach.
- This team will work with the Youth Ministry Director, the St. Luke's Director of Missions, and Adult Leaders on creating service opportunities for youth within our Central Florida community and beyond.
- Tasks will include:
 - Planning and helping to facilitate frequent service events, at least 3 per semester
 - Assisting with the development and planning of our Youth Summer Mission Trips
 - Planning supply drives and other service initiatives
 - Helping with Church-wide service events

Team Captains

Each team - Connect, Serve, Grow - will have 4 Team Captains (2 Middle School and 2 High School). These will be point persons that works with their team to create ideas for the development of youth ministry programming and events, and will act as a liaison between their team and the Youth Ministry Director. ***Team Captains will be selected from 8th Graders and High School Juniors & Seniors that apply and interview.*** *The Worship Team Captains will be our Praise Band Leader(s) and Stage Manager(s).*

All Team Members will be encouraged to be an active part of the youth ministry programming and events and will attend at least one Youth Leadership meeting per quarter and scheduled team meetings. There will also be a Student Leaders day-retreat in the fall that all team members are to make every effort to attend.

Parents: If you are interested in helping a specific team we'll be looking for Parent Volunteers. Please email Brandon at bsangster@st.lukes.org for more information or if you are interested.

The Application will also include a the [Spiritual Gifts Survey](#) which will assist in team and leader selections. After reading thoroughly through the detailed info for each team, [Click here for the St. Luke's Youth Student Leadership Application.](#)

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