

# St. Luke's YOUTH MINISTRIES

## Volunteer Leader Positions & Descriptions



### **Youth Leaders | Grade Group Leaders**

Being a Youth Leader seems like a huge responsibility, but one that comes with great rewards, both now and in the future. Youth Leaders serve as mentors and Grade Group (small group) Leaders for St. Luke's Youth on Sunday and Wednesday Nights for either middle school or high school students. Relationship building is big when it comes to Youth Ministry. As a Youth Leader, you'll see that first-hand as students look to you for not only spiritual, but also moral guidance as well. You will also guide small groups in discussions about the week's topic/lesson. (All lessons will be provided at least a week ahead of time.) This is a commitment of about 3 hours on Sunday or Wednesday Night (plus time on trips/events). Youth Leaders are the glue that keeps things together, interacting with students and engaging in their lives in a powerful way. Students will look to you for support, encouragement and wisdom, and they will see your life as a living testimony to the love of Jesus as you serve this ministry. Spending time investing in these teens is life giving, and it speaks in a powerful way to our students. Youth Leaders will be given all the tools needed (*including yearly Youth Ministry Leadership Training*) so that you feel empowered and successful living into the vision of St. Luke's and this ministry. This is a one-year commitment starting and ending each July, with the hope that you will want and feel called to move up with your group each year and truly be 1 of 5 adults in the life of our youth.

#### **Youth Leader Teams**

- Middle School – Wednesday Nights
- High School – Sunday Nights
- MERGE (Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade) – Sunday Mornings & Summer Bridge Program
- *Needed: 12 volunteers per team on a weekly basis; team will grow as ministry grows*

**Spiritual Gift(s):** Shepherding, Creative Communication, Faith, Mercy

#### **Responsibilities:**

- Prioritizing being at Youth Group each week.
- Prepare for your group by going over the curriculum prior to the day of
- Build authentic and meaningful relationships with students
- Help set up for worship
- Being available to talk with and pray with students
- Attend Youth Leaders Gatherings (every quarter)
- Attend and help lead on trips and events
- Set the vibe - students look to you for excitement, buy in and interest in worship, the message, and in St. Luke's Youth trips/events.
- Background Check

### **Youth Ministry Hosts (The Youth CONNECT Team)**

The main task of The Host is just that. You'll be the "Youth Connection Point" persons. You are the first person and the first smile that youth will see. You'll greet youth (and/or parents and other youth ministry volunteers) with a main objective to make all feel welcome and as if they've "come home" as soon as they arrive. You will embody our phrase "You Belong", as you get youth checked in, welcome them into our space, and see that connections are being made so no one is left in the margins. A "koinonia", or true and authentic community is what you will help create for our youth. Snacks in the kitchen, coffee in the café, or jumping into a game of 9 Square... however you see fit. With that, another task of this team will be to help develop a team of Student Leaders to connect and care by navigating and celebrating life, and building community through radical hospitality, and social/fellowship events. 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".

**Spiritual Gift(s):** Hospitality & Helps

**Responsibilities:**

- Needed: 6 volunteers on a weekly basis; *team will grow as ministry continues to grow*
- Prioritizing being at the beginning of Youth Group (Sunday and Wednesday nights 6:15PM – 7:15PM in rotation with other Hosts).
- Monitoring check-in for Youth Group, trips/events, etc.
- Setting up and organizing kitchen snack sales
- Build meaningful relationships with students and creating a welcoming atmosphere that promotes acceptance and authentic community (while helping develop Student Leaders to do the same)

**Youth Missions Coordinators (The Youth SERVE Team)**

The main task of a Youth Missions Coordinator is (in partnership with the Director of Youth Ministries and Director of Missions) to arrange quarterly missions training and (on and off campus) serving/volunteer opportunities, and summer mission trips for youth. Also, to help develop a team of Student Leaders to engage our youth in service through awareness, action, and advocacy.

**Spiritual Gift(s):** Helps & Administration

**Responsibilities:**

- Coordinate volunteer and serving opportunities for youth
- Build meaningful relationships with students and serving alongside them (while helping develop Student Leaders to do the same)
- Be in contact with Director of Youth Ministries and/or Grow Administrator about scheduling

**Youth Meal Coordinators**

The main tasks of a Youth Meal Coordinator are to order/cook and/or serve meals for various youth events throughout the year (partnered with other youth parent volunteers). *If you cannot serve for any given event that you are scheduled, you agree to let the Youth Ministry Director know at least one week in advance.*

**Spiritual Gift(s):** Hospitality & Helps

**Responsibilities:**

- Coordinate meals for youth and volunteers for various youth ministry events
- Set up, serving, and cleaning up
- Be in contact with Director of Youth Ministries and/or Grow Administrator about scheduling and menu

**Youth Trips/Events Drivers**

The main task of a Trips/Events Driver is just that. You'll help transport youth on special events and trips to provide a safe and fun way to get to and from each event or trip. This commitment is on an as needed basis. *If you cannot drive for any given trip/event you agreed to, let the Youth Ministry Director know at least one week in advance.*

**Spiritual Gift(s):** Hospitality & Helps

**Responsibilities:**

- Attend and help lead on trips and events
- Must have a valid Drivers License, keep a clean and safe driving record, and be on current St. Luke's Approved Driver List
- Be in contact with Director of Youth Ministries and/or Grow Administrator about scheduling