



The time has come for us to relaunch weekly youth ministry programming here at St. Luke's! We are excited to have our youth not only ReConnect monthly (as we started in September), but to now ReEngage with each other and our adult leaders. We'll relaunch a new weekly format **STARTING THIS SUNDAY** as we continue to create a Christ Centered group for middle and high school students where **YOU BELONG** to Beloved Community, **YOU GROW** to Awaken Disciples, and **YOU SERVE** to Reveal The Kingdom.

Parents, please share this update with our youth in its entirety, as things will look different!

YOU BELONG

Yes, just as you ALL always have... but in a new way. We will connect and care for each other by navigating and celebrating life, and building community through radical hospitality, and monthly social events. We are excited to host these Youth ReConnect Events where all are welcome. These events will be held on and/or off campus and split by middle school and high school. Invite a friend to show them that "You Belong To Beloved Community", and that they do too!



October 24th

- Middle School | 3pm - 5pm

- High School | 6pm – 8pm

Cost: \$5

Spots are limited.

Registration starts Monday!

YOU GROW

We've always focused on growth in our faith, but what if we took it a step further? It's time for us to *Awaken Disciples* as we continue growing in faith through small groups. Through Small Groups we will have fun and dive deep as we engage in relevant discussions about faith and how it impacts our lives and those around us. Our amazing team of adult leaders will be a vital part in this as we strive for authentic relationships and connection with our youth, leading to real "Be 1 of 5" discipleship and giving them a sense of belonging.



Youth - Arrive and check-in at The Youth Center. You'll have your temperature taken and be asked to fill out the **St. Luke's Health Declaration** if you have not already done so. You'll then be directed to your group for an awesome time of connection.

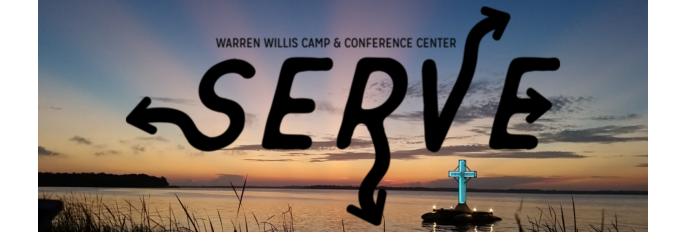
If you can't join an in-person group, we will have a virtual option for you on Zoom that all are welcome to.

We will also host a monthly worship events for middle school and high school. More info on that to come.

Parents, if you'd like to be a group leader or a host (a new opportunity), please email Brandon at <u>bsangster@st.lukes.org</u>.

YOU SERVE

A St. Luker Serves to Reveal the Kingdom! As our world and ministry changes, there has and will continue to be countless opportunities to serve in various ways like assisting shelters, food pantries, and with other local St. Luke's Mission partners, in which our youth has shown great interest and excitement. We look forward to serving in monthly missions and outreach to the community, and reaching beyond through awareness, action, and advocacy.



SERVE "Retreat" November 13-15

Save this date on your calendars! More info coming soon...



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

The **WORSHIP** team will consist of our Youth Praise Band and Youth Tech Team.

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.

THINGS WILL LOOK DIFFERENT

As we come back together, either in our groups, ReConnect events, etc., St. Luke's top priority is the health and safety of our congregation, staff, and community. We want to create a healthy environment that attends to the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of our youth. In attending any St. Luke's Youth gathering (on and/or off campus), we ask that all youth and adults adhere to our guidelines.

- Fill out our <u>St. Luke's Health Declaration</u> before or upon arrival
- Masks/Face Coverings will be worn by everyone at all times.
- Follow Physical Distancing Practices.
- Remain 6 feet from one another when possible.
- Wash hands and/or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Do not attend and inform the St. Luke's Youth Ministry Director if:
 - Your school has issued you a "Notice to Quarantine" due to COVID-19
 - You have come into contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last two weeks.
 - You have a fever of 100.4 or higher and/or any other symptoms of COVID-19
- All are asked to refrain from hugging and high fiving during our events. Instead try elbow touches, "air shakes" and foot fives.
 All are encouraged to find creative ways to greet one other without touching hands.

Yes we are still in a pandemic... and things will look different, but that's ok! We'll wear masks, but that's ok... We will all smell like hand sanitizer and be socially distant, but that too is ok because WE'LL BE TOGETHER!

If you (parents and/or youth) have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Brandon by phone (407) 955-4456 or by email (<u>bsangster@st.lukes.org</u>)

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