WHO ARE WE?



SLY is and inclusive group of grade 7-12 youth who want to meet you where you are on your spiritual journey and give you a place to discover more about God, religion, and faith.

We love everybody, and we want to grow together toward becoming whole people by living up to Jesus' teachings of Love, Acceptance, Justice, and Hope.

We chill out. Everyone needs a safe and relaxed place to hang out with their friends, and we want to give you that space.

We support each other. No matter whether your days have been good or bad, we're here to celebrate the good things in life with you and be a shoulder to lean on when times are tough. Some of us have been where you are, and we can give you some helpful advice. Sometimes you just need someone to talk with and connect to, and we're here for that too!

We live to serve. We have a dedication to serving communities around the world and being good stewards of everything we come into contact with.







YOUTH



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ST. LUKE'S YOUTH (SLY)





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SLY Ministry focuses on youth in grades 7 to 12 learning, modeling, and living out what it means to be an inclusive Christian community.

We have a youth area downstairs that provides us the space to come together. We learn what it means to reach out to others in love, acceptance, and joy through fun, fellowship, Bible study, educational events and experiences.

We model what it means to be an inclusive Christian community through mission locally, nationally, around the world, and to one another. Each summer SLY is involved in week-long mission trips to other parts of the country to serve, grow, and connect.



Whether you know what you believe, are trying to figure out what you believe, or have given up on believing, you are welcome to walk with other youth on your faith journey.

SLY is a place where asking questions and engaging in discussion is encouraged, because it is through dialogue about our life, our faith, the Bible, and God that enables us to better understand that God, one another and ourselves.



SLY AM: SUNDAY MORNINGS

SLY AM: GRADES 7-12 Head downstairs to the farthest west part of the building, and be in the large youth room by 9:30 for the beginning of class. Classes run from 9:30-10:30am on Sunday mornings. We cover a range of topics and share leadership of lessons among a dedicated group of teachers and leaders.

SLY PM: SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

SOUL PURPOSE YOUTH CHOIR An amazing choir full of fun people and fun music! A great place for beginner and expert singers alike because there is always safety in numbers! Meets Sundays at 4:30pm.

SLY PM Our version of youth group. Our normal schedule (during the school year) starts with dinner at 5:30pm then continues on with a program/event at 6:00pm.

TUESDAY EVENINGS

group made for youth with performances in worship services throughout the year. No musical talent required to join! Come on Tues. nights at 6:00pm in the Choir Room!

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

HOLY GROUNDS Join us Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8:00pm for a great small group reflection time midweek, so you can escape the craziness of life and connect with friends in a deep and meaningful way and have some fun, too! Personal study/homework time offered from 5:30-6:30pm.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: SUMMER

GEMS: GIRLS ENRICHMENT MINISTRY 6-8pm A group for girls that meets for enriching activities.

STMS: SHORTCUTS TO MANHOOD 6-8pm This group for guys meets for fun activities.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

CONFIRMATION CLASSES Offered once a year in the winter/spring to grades 8 and up who would like to be confirmed in The United Methodist faith. Our 10-session curriculum explores the basics of Christianity and the Methodist faith and the importance of developing a personal relationship with God. Classes are held on Sundays. Parent classes are included.

PUPPET MINISTRY The Puppet Ministry conveys Biblical stories to a diverse community and audience. All are invited to share in the fun. Steve & Cathy Collins, 303-346-0275.

PUMPKIN PATCH This is SLY's largest fundraiser, providing money for youth missions both year-round and in the summer for the Jr. High and Sr. High mission trips. It takes place each October and has become a Highlands Ranch tradition. Open 11am-7pm Mon-Fri and 9am-7pm weekends. By working the Pumpkin Patch you can earn credits toward a mission trip!

YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM Every good group needs leaders, and you can become part of YLT and develop your own leadership skills. Meetings take place throughout the school year for this group, with responsibilities ranging from special event planning to making new visitors feel welcome.

MISSION TRIPS As a group, SLY is always looking to serve. We participate fully in mission opportunities here in the Denver Metro Area as well as opportunities around the country. Our Jr. High and our Sr. High take trips over the summer to serve other communities.

