



# HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY BUILDING BRIDGES

## **Spring Retreat 2019**

### *Registration and Information*

Dear 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Families,

An important part of High School Ministry at Wayzata Community Church is having experiences together outside of our weekly gatherings. Retreats, trips and special events all provide an opportunity for building our class communities, which adds strength to the time we spend together on a weekly basis.

On the retreat, we will be taking some time to share about our year. Specifically, as it relates to our study of the Keys of the Kingdom, and how the lessons of the Bible are made relevant in our everyday lives. Through class time and during the Celebration Ceremony on Saturday evening we will have the opportunity to share about the work we have done as a class this year. It is our hope that each student will join us for this important step in the celebration of the year.

As a part of the retreat, **each 10<sup>th</sup> grade student involved in High School on Wednesday has been asked to prepare a Keys project** to reflect and share about their experiences this year. Students can be as creative as they like, allowing their project to reflect their individuality and what has been important to them in their faith this year. A few ideas might be a photo collage, essay, poem, video, music or art work about one or all of the keys. We have been discussing these projects as a class over the past few months.

The opportunity to take time to celebrate our faith community and allow each high school student to share their commitment to their own faith is profound. We also believe that the support and presence of family and friends is important and vital, as we communicate to each high school student how much we care about the steps they are taking in their faith. **So, we invite you to attend the Celebration Ceremony on Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the DeGross Center at Camp Friendship, where each high school student will be recognized for their participation this year.** The ceremony will begin with the presentation of the 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade students at 6:30 p.m., a brief intermission at 8:00 p.m. and closing with a faith talk by each 12<sup>th</sup> grade student. The whole ceremony will wrap up around 9:30 p.m. Please RSVP to [Gabe Flynn](#).

The Spring Retreat is open to all High School students, regardless of their participation in High School on Wednesday. Only students participating on Wednesdays are asked to complete a Faith Project. Please contact Gabe or Jordan directly if you have any questions.

In Faith,

Gabe Flynn and Jordan Masters  
Directors of High School Ministry

Lisa Boes, Karin Dent, Raina Estrem, Jeremy Mitchell, and Tyler Sanford  
Class Leaders

## **Keys – 10<sup>th</sup> Grade**

### *Faith Project Description*

The completion and presentation of a Keys Class Project is an important way to reflect on the lessons and discussions that we have shared in class this year. Keys Projects will be presented by each student, to their class and leaders, on the Spring Retreat.

A Keys Project is an expression of your personal faith development, based on the central lessons of the Bible that we explored this year: Commitment, Acceptance, Forgiveness, Healing, Love, Faith, Prayer and Hope. Each student's project will focus on some or all of these themes and reflect the individual's growing understanding of these topics in their daily life.

Keys Projects may take whatever form is most personal and representative for each person. Past projects have taken many different forms, including written word (essay, poem, or song), artistic mediums (paint, sculpture, pottery or photography) or musical or dance composition. The ideas that are reflected in your project are more important than the form.