



Happy Fall SCL Teens -

We hope the 23-24 school year thus far has been full of energy and great things are happening to make this an amazing year. The SCL High School Ministry is **very excited** to share that **Luke 18 is back!** Luke 18 has been one of the most anticipated events each year for the SCL 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade youth, High School teens, and young adults. As you are likely aware, COVID caused Luke 18 to have a different look over the last few years. In January 2024, however, we are ready to return with the same faith, fun and fury of the years past.

Thus, it is with **great excitement and anticipation** that we invite YOU to be on our team for our upcoming Luke 18 retreat, January 5<sup>th</sup> – January 7, 2024.

Whether you have been involved in Luke 18 previously as a participant, Cori Team Member, or as a disciple, or you have never heard of Luke 18 before, we are confident that this experience will not only be fun and exciting, but also transformative in your faith journey and your relationship with God. Equally as important, as a member of the team, you will be able to impact the faith journey of our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Lukers.

**How do you register?** Team registration is open at [sclym.org](http://sclym.org). If you have another high school or young adult friend that you believe will make a great disciple, please ask them to also register. We will reach out to them to chat more about their experience, their potential role / commitment and the weekend.

**What is my commitment?** Faith, courage, time, and talent. Because of the importance that Luke 18 has had both within the parish as a whole and in our ministry, it is important that we have a team committed to serve the 7th and 8th graders for the entire process – both the preparation meetings and the weekend itself. Luke 18 is not solely seen as an ‘event’ but rather a faith formation commitment.

Our goal is to do the majority of our team preparation during the following Wednesday night prayer nights (7 pm – 9 pm):

PREP MEETINGS:	11/1/23, 11/8/23, 11/15/23, 11/29/23, 12/6/23, 1/3/24
STUDY BREAK:	12/13/23 – Youth Ministry Room open for a study break
SERVICE:	12/20/23 - Random Acts of Kindness event
LOCK IN:	12/28/23 or 12/29/23 10am-4pm (Date to be determined) – used to practice talks, prep for the weekend, and finish the environment.
TALKS:	To ensure talks are ready, each talk team will be assigned a mentor and draft talks will be delivered at scheduled dates/times in December.
ENVIRONMENT:	Team members will also be asked to assist in building the environment for the weekend. This typically happens once teens are out of school for the holidays.
WRAP-UP MEETING:	1/10/24

We do understand missing two meetings during preparations, however, as part of your commitment we would like you to consider the rest of the preparation meetings as required. This will ensure consistency in team development and will make sure we are ready for the weekend. If you will miss more than two meetings and still want to be involved, please reach out to us.



The actual retreat will require you to be on-site starting at 4 p.m. on Friday, January 5th through Sunday, January 7th at approximately 4 p.m. (following completion of clean up – many hands make light work).

Please prayerfully consider your participation in Luke 18 this year. To say YES, please:

- Go to [sclym.org](https://sclym.org) to complete your application by November 1, 2023.
- Put the dates on your calendar to avoid potential conflicts
- Complete the \$20 payment online
- Reach out to friends to see if they can also participate
- Pray for everyone involved in the retreat

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this invitation and your support of our ministry and our teens. We hope to see you as part of our Luke 18 2024 team.

If you have any questions, please reach out to either Kelly Faust (314-486-2870), Peggy Manuel (314-807-1114), Claire Laurentius (314-313-7228) or Joey Hormburg ([jhormberg86@gmail.com](mailto:jhormberg86@gmail.com)).

The SCL Leadership Team



Watch our Luke 18 video here!

