

ignite FUSION cokesbury student ministry

Dear Parents of Cokesbury Youth,

Let us start by welcoming you to the Youth Ministry at Cokesbury United Methodist Church. We are so excited to have each and every one of your youth and are anxious to see what God has in store for this ministry in the upcoming year. To those of you who are “first timers” in the ministry, we extend a very special welcome and hope that this meeting will calm the nerves and anxiety that come with the transition from Children’s Ministry to Youth Ministry. Our mission is to “love youth into a relationship with Jesus Christ to change the world.”

We offer many opportunities for you and your youth to get involved throughout the year, and we hope that you will take advantage of these. In this packet, you will find a dictionary of terms used in our ministry (you’ll find that we name everything!), the school year weekly calendar, 2010-2011 big events, and a health form.

This year, you only need to fill out a health form if 1) your child is a 6th grader, 2) your insurance information has changed, 3) any contact or medical information has changed, or 4) your child has never attended a Cokesbury Youth related event. For those of you with multiple children in the program, there are extra forms on the back table. Also, if your child is not already in a LINK group, you will need to fill out a LINK Sign-up sheet, which can also be found on the back table.

Finally, this ministry is impossible to run without the help & support of parents and volunteers. The three of us need as much help as we can get (I guess that can be interpreted many ways!). We need LINK leaders; we need people for Sunday Night Gatherings; we need people for our big events; we need people behind the scenes; we need people to plan and serve food; we need you!! With all of these options, we can find a place where you can utilize your gifts and talents. If you sign up to be a youth volunteer, you must fill out a background check and Safe Sanctuaries form—located on the back table. If you volunteer in other ministries at Cokesbury and have already filled these out, you do not need to fill out another one.

On the back table are forms and sign up sheets for the following areas:

- **LINK leaders**—we need lots of these!!!
- **Sunday Night Gatherings**—just come hang out!
- **Food Prep Team**—will be needed for various events and activities
- **Tech Team**—Carter will give details
- **Basketball Coaches**—Middle School Boys, High School Boys, Middle & High School Girls
- **Specific Event Sign-up sheets**—to be a chaperone
- **Youth LINK sign-up**
- **Extra Health Forms**

As always, feel free to contact any of us if you have questions. And you can always check out our web-site www.cokesburystudents.com for up-to-date info about our program.

Peace,

Brent, Manna, & Carter



WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN???

FUSION

Fusion is Cokesbury's Middle School Youth Ministry.

IGNITE

Ignite is Cokesbury's High School Youth Ministry.

IGNUSION

Ignusion occurs on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the Youth Suite when Cokesbury's High School and Middle School students meet to boldly praise and worship God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Following announcements and worship in Ignusion, high school students will be dismissed to a more traditional Sunday School Class. A variety of studies will be offered throughout the school year, so be ready for a great year of digging deeper into God's word.

CONFIRMATION

Students wishing to confirm their faith in Christ and join Cokesbury United Methodist Church are invited to participate in our Confirmation program. The confirmation program begins in January 2010, so be looking for details in the bulletin, newsletter, and on the youth website www.cokesburystudents.com.

LINK GROUPS

All youth meet in small groups called LINKs. These groups have 6-8 members and meet on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:35 in Epworth Hall (NC). A time of large group worship and a short message will be provided before groups break out to discuss the lesson, share, and pray for each other. LINK groups will periodically go out to dinner during the year to hang out and fellowship with each other.

SONSHINE CHOIR

SonShine is our High School Youth Choir. Directed by Marcelo, the choir sings during worship services and takes an annual extended service tour at the beginning of every summer. The focus of the tour is to do works of grace and to unconditionally love the least, the last, and the lost. SonShine rehearses at 5:00 p.m. on Sundays in the Chapel on the North Campus.

REACTOR ROOM

Don't miss your chance to hang in our awesome youth game room.

Love Kids? Get Involved!

We need adults who love kids and are passionate about seeing them know Jesus. We need people to lead small groups, serve food, play games, drive, laugh, hammer...and the list goes on and on.

If you would like to get involved in Cokesbury's Youth Ministry call:

- Brent Ronald, 246-0429, or bronald@cclive.org,
- Manna Myers, 246-0435, or manna@cclive.org, or
- Carter Cross, 246-0451, or ccross@cclive.org



School Year Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY MORNING

IGNITE/FUSION (IGNUSION) Worship	9:30am	Youth Suite (NC)
HV 27:17 (Youth Sunday School)	9:30am	Library (WC)
High School Sunday School	9:50am	Room 400 (NC)

*High Schoolers on the North Campus will attend IGNITE/FUSION worship at 9:30 and be dismissed to class following announcements.

SUNDAY NIGHT

Sonshine Choir (High School)	5:00pm	Chapel (NC)
Snacks (Bring \$2 for food & drinks)	6:00pm	Epworth Hall (NC)
FUSION (Middle School Gathering)	6:30–7:30pm	North Campus
IGNITE (High School Gathering)	6:30–7:30pm	North Campus

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Bible Study with Brent	4:30pm	YMAX Theater (NC)
LINK Groups	6:30pm	Epworth Hall (NC)

2010-2011 BIG EVENTS

2010

AUGUST

15th Youth Parent Meeting 6:00 pm
 17th LINK Leader Meeting 6:00 pm
 18th Begin LINK groups
 22nd Begin Sunday Night Gatherings

SEPTEMBER

1st FILLING STATION begins
 12th KICK OFF SUNDAY!! Party at HVA after worship

OCTOBER

13th No Wed. Activities (Knox County Fall Break)
 14th-17th Fall Family Retreat: XCLAMATION—Lake Junaluska
 17th No Sunday Night Gathering

NOVEMBER

7th Silver Ring Thing at Cokesbury—South Campus Sanctuary
 12th STARFIELD in Concert at Cokesbury
 24th No Wed. Activities (Thanksgiving Holiday)

DECEMBER

8th End LINK groups (EAT OUT NIGHT)
 12th Youth Christmas Party (Gathering ends)

2011

JANUARY

5th Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:00 pm
 7th-8th Confirmation Lock-in
 9th Sunday Night Gatherings Resume
 9th Confirmation Class #1 (youth only)
 12th LINK groups resume
 21nd-23rd Resurrection (7th-12th grade)
 23rd No Sunday Night Gathering

FEBRUARY

6th Confirmation Class #2 (youth only)

MARCH

6th Confirmation Class #3 (youth only)
 13th No Sunday Night Gathering (Knox County Spring Break)
 16th No Wed. Activities (Knox County Spring Break)

APRIL

1st-3rd Middle School Spring Retreat—Beersheba Springs
 10th Confirmation Class #4
 15th-17th High School Spring Retreat—Lake Frances
 17th End Sunday Night Gatherings
 27th End LINK groups (EAT OUT NIGHT)
 29th Confirmation Rehearsal, Review, & Interview Night

MAY

1st Confirmation Sunday
 15th Senior Recognition Sunday

JUNE

(TBD) SONSHINE Choir Tour
 16th-18th REACH Middle School Mission Event
 20th-22nd VBS
 27th-July 1st Jr. & Sr. High Assembly

JULY

(TBD) Appalachian Service Project
 11th-15th JUBILEE Worship Arts Camp
 July 31st-Aug. 3rd GROUND ZERO