

Refuge Student Ministry

Mission Statement: Reaching Up, Reaching In, Reaching Out

Vision Statement: A Radically Inclusive Place for Everyone

Four-Fold Strategy: Friendly Community
Fun Atmosphere
Engaging Content
Radical Inclusiveness

Introduction Statement:

Dwight L. Moody once said “If I could relive my life, I would devote my entire ministry to reaching children for God.” That powerful statement shows us the importance of student ministry. With all the stress and burden placed on students in today’s world, it is so important for them to have a safe place, a “refuge” that will allow them to experience the extravagant welcome and love of Christ. That is why the Spring Hill United Church of Christ chose to follow God’s call and start Refuge Student Ministry for anyone ages 0-23 years of age. The goal of Refuge Student Ministry is to be a radically inclusive place for everyone and when we say everyone...we mean everyone. Whether you attend church every time the doors are open or if you have never set foot in a church before, there is a place for you in Refuge Student Ministry.

We are committed to meeting the students that we serve where they are and walking with them on life’s journey. Most of the activities that Refuge Student Ministry offers will not be offered on Sundays, and may not even be on the church campus. There will be weeknight activities, meetups, service projects, outings, Bible study, and a variety of other activities to help us meet the needs of students.

The Spring Hill United Church of Christ and Refuge Student Ministry are Open and Affirming, meaning that everyone, regardless of race, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, abilities, life experiences, religious beliefs, and background is not only welcome, but celebrated for who they are. If you would like to know more about Refuge Student Ministry and the programs that it offers, you are invited to contact Chance Martinez at 727-222-5416 or email shucc.mid@gmail.com.