

Christian Vocation Resource

A Litany for Recognizing Young People Who Are Leaders In Ministry

Leader: Gracious God, giver of life and Christian vocation, you have given all gifts to serve you in the church and the world.

People: Your Holy Spirit continues to empower us; young and old, male and female, daughter and son; to profess your great love, grace and justice in what we say and do in every aspect of our lives.

Leader: Guide all of the young people in our congregation and in our Church, that they may be open to your Spirit's nudging and calling in their lives.

People: Bless and be with our young leaders, especially N. (and N. and N.). Help them to hear your voice as they recognize that ministry is their calling in all they say and do

Leader: Grant them the wisdom and courage to answer your call, serving the church, serving through the church to the world, and serving the world.

Young Leaders: Guide me/us as we explore who you have created me/us to be and what you are calling me/us to do in faithful service to you in my/our life/lives. Give me/us clarity, and instill in me/us joy and energy, imagination and love, as I/we respond to your call.

People: Help us as we teach all our young people that all aspects of their lives – career, family, education, leisure, civic life, service – are places they will profess their faith in you, O God, in words and deeds. Inspire us all to use our great passions to meet the need of the world's deep hunger. We pray all of this in the name of the one who through our baptism calls and equips each of us to serve, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.