

# YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

RITUAL



A GREAT  
PLACE TO  
GROW UP!

SERVICE



CREATIVITY



LOVE

ONENESS



# OUR VISION

A world in which children freely express their inherent divinity and inner truth.

# OUR MISSION

Lighting the way for every child's discovery of their infinite possibilities, we connect families in spiritual community.

# WHAT WE STAND FOR

Our Mile Hi Church vision is reflected in our youth programs.

## What We Know for All:

You belong. . .You matter. . .You are loved. . .You have a contribution to make.

## What We Can Do Together:

Let's face our challenges together. Let's create the world we know is possible—a world of peace, unity, and human dignity for all.

# WHAT WE TEACH

To help support our young congregants on Sundays, we offer classes and programs that incorporate age-appropriate teachings that are relevant for youth and families and align with the concepts of Science of Mind and Spirit teachings.

## WE ARE THE

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LOVING KINDNESS AND  
GOOD WAYS TO BE  
VIRTUES

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I AM ONE WITH ALL  
ONENESS

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GETTING CONNECTED  
CONNECTION TO EACH OTHER, OUR COMMUNITY,  
OUR ENVIRONMENT & SPIRIT

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HOW SPIRIT WORKS  
CREATIVE PROCESS, SPIRITUAL LAWS  
& SOM PRINCIPLES

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TALKING TO GOD AND  
TAKING CARE OF MYSELF  
SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

# STAFFING & SECURITY

Children from birth through 5th grade receive a name tag with an individualized number, while the parent or guardian receives a ticket with the same number. We use an electronic check-in system for all of our Sunday youth programs.

Children are released only to the parent or guardian with the matching ticket.

All staff and volunteers have passed a national background screening process. Only screened individuals work with children in any capacity, and classrooms are staffed with at least two adults at all times.

A member of our safety team monitors all of our youth spaces.



# YOUTH MINISTRY LOCATIONS



Infant Nursery and Toddlers  
TEEL SANCTUARY LOBBY



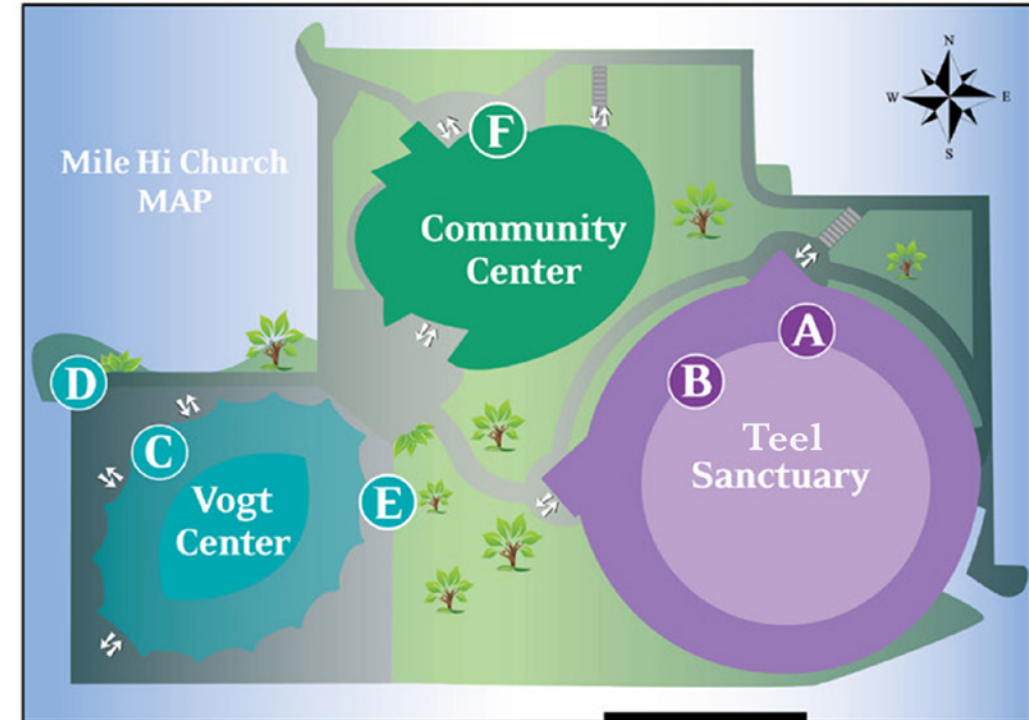
Preschool and Elementary  
VOGT CENTER



Middle School and High School  
COMMUNITY CENTER –  
TEEN UNDERGROUND (10 A.M. ONLY)



Mile Hi Church  
YOUTH & FAMILY



MAP KEY

- A Infants
- B Toddlers
- C Preschool and Elementary Classes
- D Garden Playground
- E Frog Playground
- F Middle School and High School Classes



# ABOUT US

Friends,

I'm so glad that you've decided to learn more about the Mile Hi Youth and Family Ministry. I'm proud of what we've created, and I know that you and your children will find that this is a great place to grow.

This youth program has been a joy-filled part of my life for 20 years, starting as a parent bringing my little one into a classroom and evolving as a volunteer before joining the church staff. With such a broad perspective, I can honestly say we have great people working with our children, and great children to work with.

We have a licensed pre-school that is open five days a week, an excellent Sunday morning spiritual education program, active and relevant middle school and high school groups, as well as a vast array of camps, activities, and community events to help children and families stay connected and inspired.

We are helping to create conscious and committed citizens of the world who recognize their many gifts and have the confidence to share them, and we are having fun while we're at it. Know that your family is welcome here, and I hope it feels like home.

Blessings,



Stacy Butters  
Youth & Family Director

# STAFF



Stacy Butters  
*Director*



Salwa Flewell  
*Assistant Director*

# SERVICES

SUNDAYS  
8 & 10 a.m.

On Sunday, youth programs are provided at every service for children birth through fifth grade. Middle school and high school students meet only during the 10 a.m. service. Classrooms are open 30 minutes before each available service.



## INFANT & TODDLER

Infant and Toddler Rooms are located off the lobby of the Sanctuary. Parents can elect to stay with their child and watch the service on a closed circuit monitor. Any issues or concerns are communicated via text.



## PRESCHOOL – GRADE 5

Preschool through Fifth Grade rooms are located in the Vogt Center. Check-in at the lobby to be directed to the correct classroom.



## MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6 – 8)  
Meets at 10 a.m. at the Community Center, Teen Underground, Middle School Room

HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9 – 12)  
Meets at 10 a.m. in the Community Center, Teen Underground, Teen Center.

## OTHER SERVICES

Youth programs or child care are occasionally provided during other services.





# OTHER YOUTH & FAMILY PROGRAMS

FALL

## FAMILY FALL FEST WITH TRUNK OR TREAT

All ages are welcome! Bring your friends and family and enjoy the fun festivities with our community!

Carnival Games | Candy Harvest | Popcorn

WINTER

## FAMILY CHRISTMAS

A family friendly service full of skits and songs in the Teel Sanctuary. The Youth Choir performs. This is kicked off by a community dinner in the Community Center.

SPRING

## SPRING EGGSTRAVAGANZA

A fun community event of spring fun & games.

SUMMER

## SPROUT CAMP

A mini-camp experience for young children ages 2 – 5 emphasizing nature-based exploration and play.

In June & July

## ADVENTURE CAMP

A middle school camp for 11 to 14-year-olds provides an amazing experience that may include hiking, zip lining, rafting, camping, team building, and spiritual practice.

In June

## YOUTH CHOIR

Does your kid want to join the choir?

The choir is open to children entering 1st grade through high school and participants will sing during at least one church service per season.

## YOUTH SUNDAY

It's a youth takeover!

The younger generation helps run the service with wisdom, sharing, singing and more.

## CSL WINTER CAMP

A weekend opportunity for 13 to 18-year-olds to grow, make new friends, be empowered, and build community. Held at Laforet in Colorado Springs.

Three nights in January

## RAINBOW DAY CAMP

A dynamic and fun-filled experience for children ages 5 to 10. Activities include archery, art, music, and much more.

One Week in June

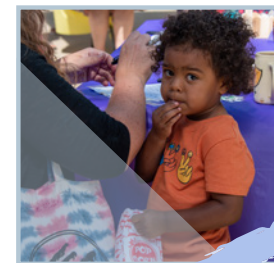
## CSL SUMMER CAMP

A powerful camp for 13 to 18-year-olds. Connect with peers and experience unconditional love, acceptance, empowerment, and spiritual practice.

One Week in July



A variety of community and age specific events and service opportunities are available throughout the year.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



Mile Hi Children's Enrichment Center

*Each child belongs to all of us and they will bring us a tomorrow in direct relation to the responsibility we have shown to them. - Maya Angelou*

# CHILDREN'S ENRICHMENT CENTER

## ABOUT US

Mile Hi Children's Enrichment Center is a tiny preschool cove nestled on the Mile Hi Church Campus. Our focus is building upon, protecting, and deepening learner identities and emotional well-being in early childhood, and through the lifespan.

Our licensed preschool supports families with children ages 2 years through prekindergarten in a part day preschool program. We offer all ages after school Play Laboratories for families, small groups, and individuals in areas like music, Spanish, art, and yoga.

From a human curriculum our Early Childhood Teacher's facilitate emergent learning through documentation, research, reflection, and planning. We use Learning Stories to co-create curriculum with our children and families. Each story is written to the child themselves.

We are driven by children's innate ability to learn anything they choose whether it is about themselves, their community, or our world. We want to celebrate it, enrich it, and witness it.

If you would like to connect about enrollment or tours, please email April at [areeves@milehichurch.org](mailto:areeves@milehichurch.org).



April Reeves, M.Ed.  
*MHCEC Director*

# CONNECTION

## FACEBOOK

Join the Facebook group and page, Mile Hi Youth & Family, to keep up with current Youth Ministry events and spiritual tidbits for children.

## YOUTUBE

Subscribe to our channel, Mile Hi Youth & Family Positive Spirituality

## WEBSITE

[milehichurch.org/youth-family](http://milehichurch.org/youth-family)

## NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to our digital newsletter at [milehichurch.org/youth-family](http://milehichurch.org/youth-family)

## INSTAGRAM

[@milehiyouthandfamily](https://www.instagram.com/milehiyouthandfamily)

## INSIGHT TIMER

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For information on the Youth & Family Ministry, visit [milehichurch.org/youth-family](http://milehichurch.org/youth-family).

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

## Can I stay with my child?

Yes, you are welcome to stay in the room. (Sprout Street & Arches to Adventure)

## When can I drop off and pick-up my child?

30 minutes before the service, and please pick them up immediately following.

## I want my children to be in the same room even though they're different ages.

### Can you make an exception?

Children are welcome to go into a sibling's classroom as long as the older child is going into the younger child's room.

## How will I know if my child needs me?

In our Sprout Street and Arches to Adventure class rooms we will contact you by text.

## Can I volunteer to help with Sunday Youth & Family Ministry?

We are always looking for amazing people who are willing to give some of their time. Please talk to one of the Youth & Family Ministry staff about volunteering.

## Can I tour the rooms?

We would be happy to let you see the Sunday classrooms! Ask one of the Youth & Family Ministry staff members with your request.

## Where does my child go?

Birth – Age 2 – Sprout Street located in the Sanctuary  
Age 3 – Grade 5 – Arches to Adventure located in the Vogt Building  
Grade 6 – High School – Teen Underground, Community Center

## Are your volunteers and staff background checked?

Yes, all volunteers and staff have passed a national background check screening process.