



*As a response to the Word, or during the sending, or at some other appropriate time within the worship service, the pastor invites the person(s) who is/are taking part in the Summit to come forward and face the congregation. The Pastor introduces the student and describes the Summit (see below for suggestions).*

*The Pastor says to the congregation:*

Everyone who takes upon themselves the name of Christ is called into prayerful action, to discover and use the gifts which God has given them, and to participate in ministries of love and service by the example of Christ.

As [name(s)] head towards this opportunity for service and discovery, we pray the blessings of God and this community upon their endeavors.

*The congregation responds:*

**We recognize you as (an) ambassador(s) of this congregation, and dedicate you to growth and service in the name of Jesus Christ.**

**Through our prayers we will be united with you during this week and beyond. With you, we remember the sacred calling of God's love in our lives, and promise to encourage you and each other towards a living faith in partnership with the Holy Spirit.**

**May God bless you and your time at the Summit.**

*The Pastor then invites the student to a further action of blessing that is consistent with congregational practices [examples include a pastoral prayer while student kneels at communion rail or freestanding kneeler, or a congregational laying on of hands either while remaining seated or gathering at the front]*

Suggestion on Summit description-

It's a United Methodist discipleship camp for incoming juniors and seniors in high school at Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas. This will be a great week to connect with God, peers, and Christian leaders. Those attending will learn more about United Methodist beliefs and history, and serve in meaningful ways.