

# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The Office of Admissions and Student Services plans and coordinates the school's student life programs and events. The office advises the Student Leadership Council and student organizations and student publications. Student organizations at the School of Divinity include:

## Akoni

Akoni provides a platform for students of African ancestry and for all Wake Forest students, faculty, and staff to explore theological education focused on the black religious experience, the Black Church as an expression of black religion, and the social, religious and political needs and concerns of the students and the black community.

## Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace is a group of dancers dedicated to using the body as a means of expression in worship. Using different styles of dance, Amazing Grace offers an opportunity to bring dance into the space of worship, ministering during Community Worship and other events at the School of Divinity. They welcome all who are interested to join.

## Beatitudes

The Beatitudes Society develops and sustains a national network of emerging Christian leaders who advocate for justice, compassion, and peace, reclaim a Christianity that welcomes all people, and articulates a Christianity that dares to speak and act for our fragile planet and our most vulnerable citizens. The Beatitudes Society Chapter at the School of Divinity is a community of students and faculty who gather for support, action, reflection, and prayer. The group gathers biweekly at a student's home for a simple meal and lectio divina. They provide resources and opportunities for small group studies and arrange activities advocating for or engaging in social justice.

## Commonplace

Commonplace seeks to deepen the knowledge, formation, and sense of community of those concerned with ideas of food, health, ecological justice, and faith. This student organization organizes hiking trips, shares meals, attends events off-campus, and serves together. We also sponsor community lunches periodically which are sourced locally.

## Kaleidoscope

The primary goal of Kaleidoscope is to serve as a safe and welcoming environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex and allied students, faculty, and staff from all cultural, socio-economic, ethnic, and ecumenical backgrounds. Additionally, the group seeks to provide opportunities for all divinity school students, faculty, and staff to ask questions and dialogue with mutual respect so as to promote understanding of and engagement with LGBTQ matters.

## Lift Every Voice

Lift Every Voice aims to provide opportunities of worship through music. They are a group of singers and musicians who rehearse weekly and often minister in Chapel and in the greater Winston Salem community, through gospel music. Lift Every Voice welcomes all that want to be a part of this ministry as singers or musicians as we continue to grow, expand to different styles of music and minister through song.

## Mosaic

Mosaic seeks to share the experience of God through artistic expression. The group nurtures and facilitates spiritual growth and expression through artistic media and promotes the use of the arts in the worship, service, contemplative, and communal life of the divinity school, as well as the University and Winston-Salem community.

## Pentecostal Charismatic Student Organization (PCSO)

The PCSO is a gathering of Pentecostal/Charismatic students at Wake Forest University School of Divinity as well as any student interested in the study and/or practice of Pentecostalism. The PCSO provides a scholarly and sacred space for the exploration of sociocultural identity expressions, theological formation, and spiritual direction among Pentecostal/Charismatic Christians, combining historical-critical and interdisciplinary religious studies with active participation in faith communities. Any and all students are welcome to engage with any of PCSO's activities.

## Physical Wellness

The School of Divinity values whole body wellness. The Physical Wellness Club seeks to create a fun and positive means for students, faculty, and staff to be active, stay healthy, and build community. This organization offers events throughout the school year and furthers the already developed interest and participation in Wake Forest University Intramural Sports. Some of our opportunities include Flag Football, Soccer, Tennis, and Dodgeball Intramural teams, weekly yoga sessions, Zumba with the Deans, March Madness Bracket Challenge, and various study breaks during finals week.

## Sistah Circle

Sistah circle consists of women working together to encourage and uplift the ministry of fellow members, curate educational, social, and restorative gatherings, lead worship, and host events with other organizations that reflect its mission towards all women.

## The Split Chalice

The Split Chalice is a student-run publication of the School of Divinity. It serves as an informative, community-building vehicle covering upcoming activities, vocational topics, campus events, financial aid and classified ads.

## Women's Work

Women's Work is a fellowship of women who are passionate about womanhood, specifically in the ministry. It is a sacred space for women to share experiences as well as an opportunity for women to safely explore the power of their own voice. The group invites distinguished faculty and community leaders to lead discussions around topics that help the women of the divinity school grow into ministerial identities. Women's Work welcomes the divinity school community of men to join in and hear the voices of these distinguished women throughout the semester.

More information about the Student Leadership Council and student organizations can be found online at <https://divinity.wfu.edu/student-life/student-organizations/>.