

Youth March Newsletter

3/8/26 2-3:30pm Above All Trampoline Park

3/15/26 12-1:30pm Youth Get Together

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THANK YOU!!!

Thank you for your support of Souper Bowl of Caring and for our Italian dinner fundraiser. We were able to collect 227 pounds of food and \$415 in monetary donations to benefit the Backpack Shepherd program. We raised close to \$2,000 at our dinner, most of which will cover our workcamp trip costs this summer.

ABOVE ALL TRAMPOLINE PARK

Join us for some jumping fun at Above All Trampoline Park in Liberty, MO, on Sunday, March 8th starting at 2pm. We will jump for one hour and then enjoy a treat! Cost is \$17.99 plus tax (\$2.99 for socks if you don't have a pair). The youth group will cover the cost of the treat. Please let Laura know if you can make it!

SILENT AUCTION/DINNER FOR 8 RAFFLE

The silent auction is coming up in April – if you have anything to donate for the auction, please let Laura know. We will also be selling raffle tickets for a chance to win a gourmet dinner for 8! Be on the lookout for more information in our April newsletter.

UPCOMING DIOCESAN EVENTS

Junior High Retreat (Grades 5-8): April 17, 2026 - April 19, 2026

Join the diocese at St. James Episcopal Church in Springfield for a weekend bursting with hands-on learning, worship, and fun as we dive into the world of being Episcopalian!

Roll up your sleeves at interactive stations where you can try out real worship roles—acolyte, lector, usher—and learn why we move, speak, and serve the way we do in church. Bake communion bread while discovering why we use the bread we do. Explore vestments and uncover the meaning behind all those layers priest's wear. Come curious and leave with a deeper sense of how our worship tells the story of our faith.

And of course, it wouldn't be a youth weekend without some big fun. Saturday night we'll carpool for bowling or laser tag. Everyone will head home following the Sunday service. Optional lunch at Lamberts Cafe. Youth will be responsible for their own lunch.

Cost is \$30. There is transportation available from Kansas City. Email youth@diowestmo.org for carpooling options. Register at: <https://diowestmo.org/event/junior-high-retreat/>

Episcopal Summer Mega Camp 2026

When: May 31 – June 6, 2026

Where: Camp Wood YMCA | 1101 Camp Wood Rd., Elmdale, KS 66850

Who: Students in grades 3-12 for 2025-26 school year (you must have finished third grade to attend)

Cost: \$550 (price increases \$50 after May 1.) There is a \$25 non-refundable deposit due at registration.

Registration: online via UltraCamp; priority deadline is May 1.

Scholarships: You can apply for scholarships on the registration form.

Cancellation Deadline: Two weeks prior to the start of the camp session for a 100% refund.

Register at: <https://diowestmo.org/event/episcopal-summer-mega-camp-2026/>

Missionpalooza 2026!

When: July 21 – 26

Where: St. Paul's Episcopal Church | 11 E. 40 St., Kansas City, MO 64111

Who: Students who have finished grades 8th – 12th. All are welcome, so feel free to invite friends and family.

Cost: \$125. Payment plans are available.

Registration: <https://diowestmo.org/event/missionpalooza-2026/>