

Summer 2022 Preview

St. James's Episcopal Church Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry Mission Trips

Middle School Mini-Mission (for current 5th-8th graders)

July 22 – 24, 2022 (Friday lunchtime – Sunday dinnertime)

Appalachia Youth Mission (for current 9th-12th graders & HS graduates not yet 21)

July 24 – 30, 2022 (Sunday morning – Saturday afternoon)

Florida Creation Care Pilgrimage (for current 9th-12th graders & HS graduates not yet 21)

July 9 – 16, 2022 (Saturday morning – Saturday evening)

St. James's Mission Trips

Richmond Mission (for youth with a parent)

June 20 – 24, 2022

Volunteer Opportunities at St. James's

Vacation Bible School Youth Counselors (for current 6th-12th graders & HS graduates)

June 27 – 30, 2022

Diocese of Virginia

Shrine Mont Camps

There's something for all ages (birth-retirement). Dates vary.

Raffle Drawing - Winner gets \$100 towards the cost of a 2022 Youth Ministry Mission Trip!

“Be ye doers of the word.”

Ignite your FIRE this summer!

For more information, contact Katie Ricard, Interim Director of Youth Ministry, at youth@doers.org or (804)355-1779 ext. 334.

To Apply: Complete the **Summer 2022 Application** at <https://bit.ly/SJECYouth2022Summer>

Youth Ministry Mission Trips 2022

St. James's Episcopal Church

Middle School Mini-Mission

July 22 - 24, 2022 (Friday - Sunday)

What: Harvest of Hope (www.endhunger.org)

Where: either around Richmond or the Eastern Shore (COVID-dependent)

Who: For current 5th – 8th graders

Cost: \$75-\$195 (dependent on location)

Description: We will again partner with the organization Harvest of Hope to learn about the issue of hunger and how we are called to assist our neighbors in need. We will work in the fields together to harvest seasonal vegetables to donate to local food banks. What we harvest will likely be on the dinner table within 24 hours. We will work hard and play hard...before we head home we will enjoy some recreation time together too!



High School Mission

July 24 - 30, 2022 (Sunday - Saturday)

What: Hurley Community Development Center

(www.hurleycommunitydevelopment.org)

Where: Hurley, Virginia

Who: For current 9th graders – High School grads not yet 21 years old

Cost: \$595

Description: We're heading back to Hurley Community



Development Center to help local residents with home repairs, cleaning projects, painting, yard work, farming, etc. Our days will be full of projects and time interacting with local residents, and during the evenings we'll enjoy free time to relax, hang out, worship, and explore the local area. We'll stay in bunkhouses at the center and eat in their dining hall. At the end of the week we'll enjoy a day of fun in the Shenandoah Valley.



High School Creation Care Pilgrimage

July 9 - 16, 2022 (Saturday - Saturday)

What: Marine Lab

Where: Southern Florida

Who: For current 9th graders – High School grads not yet 21 years old

Cost: \$876, plus an additional \$500-700 paid to the Dive Shop for scuba certification and gear

Description: We are going to Florida to dive into fresh water



springs and open water, learning

about the ecosystem, reef conservation, and marine life. We'll partner with local marine biologists to understand conservation efforts underway and our call as baptized Christians to engage in these efforts. Through worship, group study on creation care, and scuba diving, youth will have ample opportunity to experience and encounter God in new and unexpected ways.



Mission

A mission has an *outward* focus meant to benefit others, and in the process, we are also blessed. You go with the purpose of building something, making repairs, planting a garden, or forming relationships.

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Pilgrimage

A pilgrimage has an *internal* focus and is meant to facilitate personal reflection and growth on a deliberate journey to encounter God.

To Apply: Complete the **Summer 2022 Application** at <https://bit.ly/SJECYouth2022Summer> and submit the deposit payment ONLINE only: Go to the church website www.doers.org > GIVING > ONLINE GIVING > Enter amount due > Gift Type: Give One Time > Giving Type: YOUTH MINISTRY PAYMENTS > Memo: Summer Mission (youth's name) > NEXT. Then enter your payment information. Registration is not complete until payment is received.

Registration is first come, first served. Scholarships are available by contacting Katie. Space is limited and will be granted in the order applications are received.

Family Mission Week

June 20-24, 2022

What: Project: HOMES, Inc.

Where: Richmond, VA

Who: For current 6th through 12th graders with a parent

Description: We will work with Project: HOMES, Inc., which works with low-income families around Richmond to help them remain in their homes. During the week, youth and their parents will complete home-repair projects and yard work. The city of Richmond has so many needs. This local family mission trip allows St. James's to be doers in their own community.



Vacation Bible School Volunteer Opportunity

June 27-30, 2022 from 8:30am - 12:30am

Earn up to 16 hours of community service! Must attend one volunteer training session

What: St. James's Vacation Bible School

Where: Richmond, VA

Who: For current 6th graders – High School grads not yet 21 years old

Description: Youth can serve as shepherds or an activity leader:

- Shepherd: You will work with a group of 6 to 8 mixed-age students (either elementary or preschool). You'll meet them when they first arrive in the morning and will be responsible for staying with them and looking after them until dismissal. You will lead them to different activity stations each day.
- Activity Leader- Music, Crafts, Games, Story, or Drama: You will work with a small group of children to lead the activity which will change each day with the VBS program.



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Shrine Mont Camps 2022

www.shrinemontcamps.net

REGISTRATION IS ALREADY OPEN!!

The Diocese of Virginia's summer camp program at Shrine Mont promotes the emotional and spiritual development of children, youth, and young adults through the fostering of a safe and positive environment for all. It is the goal of this program to encourage the growth of relationships with self, others, and God.

SHRINE MONT CAMPS: 8-14 YEAR OLDS

At Shrine Mont Camps, get a taste of the adventure, friendship, learning, and wonder that campers for nearly 60 years have experienced on "the mountain." Campers of a wide age range will be able to attend camp concurrently, with age-specific cabin assignments, small groups, and daily programming.

Every camper will have the opportunity to make art, participate in music and theater activities, explore nature, play games and sports, and grow in the body of Christ in each session of Shrine Mont Camp. Each session will also focus a bit more on one/two/three of these areas during camper choice periods, so campers will be able to choose the activities that are of interest to them!

SHRINE MONT CAMPS: 15-17 YEAR OLDS

Older campers at Shrine Mont Camps are invited to spend ten nights "on the mountain" reuniting with old friends, making new ones, and learning about themselves and trying new things. We will explore themes of leadership, adventure, storytelling, service and vocation throughout the session. Each day will include both fun and silly "camp" programs as well as time where campers can go deeper into conversation, wondering, or imagination.

THE GREAT: 15-17 YEAR OLDS

Calling all adventurers! At "The Great," campers age 15-17 go out into the world on extended overnight trips. We will explore the region, cook our own food, and set up our own shelter at night. No previous camping experience? No problem! Campers need to be able to carry a pack, walk for several miles, and be willing to push their comfort zone.

ST. ELIZABETH'S CAMP: 14-25 YEAR OLDS

St. Elizabeth's Camp provides individuals with mild to moderate disabilities the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities in a supportive environment. Our campers have their own volunteer counselor buddy who will be a constant friend and assist in daily activities. Together they will stay in cabins and share many exciting activities including swimming, canoeing, worship, art, and games. A typical St. Elizabeth's camper is between 14-25 years old, attends to personal needs independently, and effectively communicates with others. *The staff of St. Elizabeth's is composed mainly of high school aged youth who volunteer their time to be counselor buddies.* To learn more about becoming a buddy visit our website to download an application.

ST. ANDREW'S CAMP: 8-13 YEAR OLDS

St. Andrew's is a "family style" camp for younger campers who need higher levels of structure and one-to-one support. Campers at St. Andrew's live in a Shrine Mont cottage and enjoy days filled with the same activities, games, and friendships one finds at all Shrine Mont Camps. Walks through the woods, trips to the pool, game time, daily chaplain's and worship times are all part of the daily schedule - just on a smaller scale than our traditional camp model.

This is a wonderful way for a camper to be introduced to an overnight camp, or for campers who otherwise would struggle in a bigger environment to have a wonderful experience!

FAMILY CAMP: SUMMER CAMP FOR EVERYONE

The Family Camp exists to "knit families together in constant affection" (BCP pg 828) through age appropriate programs and intergenerational activities, opportunities for rest and renewal, and the nurturing of deep and enduring relationships in an environment that is safe for all. It includes a mix each day of program opportunities (separated by age) and free time for hiking, swimming, resting, or hanging out with your new friends. Each day will conclude with an intergenerational program that will be fun for all.