

Young Adult Ministry

Some Talking Points

Recognition & Invitation

- Young adults (18-30 year olds) enrich our communities with a variety of gifts, experiences and perspectives.
- The inclusion of young adults in the life of the church requires a sincere and intentional invitation.

Community & Empowerment

- Young adults experience a variety of transitions; a community of faith creates an atmosphere of support during this stage of life.
- Out of this sense of community, young adults will seek ways to live out their Christian calling.
- We have an obligation to empower young adults in their life in Christ.

Mentoring Environments

- The presence of young adults in our parishes provides them an opportunity to engage with God through the Episcopal tradition and experience.
- A mentoring parish recognizes, challenges, supports, inspires, and engages young adults in order to foster their faith.
- The prophetic voice of young adulthood can challenge the church to more fully live into its calling as the body of Christ.

Our Responsibility to Young Adults

- We have allowed the language of Christian faith to be largely co-opted. We must impart the wealth and worth of the Christian story to young adults.
- We must engage a generation of young adults in honest and sophisticated conversation about God and the calling and worth of every human being.
- We must also equip young adults with the tools of our tradition for facing the tough ethical, moral, ecological, relational and religious challenges of the broader world.

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