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**YOU ARE HOLY,
YOU ARE WORTHY,
YOU ARE ENOUGH.**

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DEAR YOUTH & FAMILIES,

This school year looks a lot different than we have ever seen before. With distanced learning and extracurricular offerings being altered, our youth will be facing many changes in their daily lives. We recognize that this will not be an easy transition for your teens and families. St. Mary's youth ministry is here to support our students throughout these transitions. Though we may not be able to meet under the same circumstances as in the past, our youth ministry goals remain the same.

It is our mission to provide a safe, encouraging environment for youth to experience God's abundant love through relationships, fun, and questioning. We provide an opportunity for students to connect on a personal and spiritual level with their peers and continue to be an all-welcoming community for 6th-12th grade students.

This year, our youth ministry focus will be "Holy. Worthy. Enough." We want our youth to recognize that their lives are holy before God, that they are all worthy of God's love, and that they are enough as they are because they are God's own. It is through this theme that we hope each of our youth are reminded that they have a place and call to answer in the Kingdom.



With ever-changing guidelines from the government and Episcopal Diocese of Virginia, our youth group format will be fluid this year. There may be times we will be able to meet in person and times we will meet virtually. I ask for your flexibility and understanding as we walk through this unpredictable year together. Please check out the "stay connected" section and follow St. Mary's Youth Ministry on more than one of our social media platforms to stay up to date on our programs for this year. These are crazy times, but I look forward to navigating them together and making it a wonderful year!

Blessings,
Emily Bruch

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

There are several ways your youth can be active in our church community outside of youth group offerings. Check out a few ways to be involved:

- Story-tell for Virtual Children's Chapel
- Write Letters for our Pastoral Care Team
- Read for an in-person or virtual worship service
- Write a reflection for the eNunciation
- Participate in Family Outreach Projects

Is your youth interested in helping out with one of these ministries? Please email Emily Bruch (ebruch@stmarysgoochland.org) for more information.

