

Relaunch Webinar

Back-to-School and
Back-to-Church
Ministries

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Back-to-School?

Blessing of backpacks

Blessing of the Backpacks

Pack to School - backpack collection

Blessing of the backpacks;

3rd grade bibles

Acolyte Training

blessing of teachers

Blessing of backpacks

Praying for teachers and students

Back-to-School?

Collecting school supplies

Blessing of school staff

Blessing backpacks

Stuff the bus!

Praying at each school in our
community

Bible and story books

Delivered goodie bags last year by
joy squad

Prayer cards for students

collecting school supplies for the
rescue mission

Back-to-School?

School supplies

Life Group fair

School supplies

Collecting school supplies

Blessing of backpacks
School supplies

Re-Launch New Classes for
Children and Youth

School supply give away.
Community event

Student Kickoff Party, Young
Adult Top Golf Event

School supplies for at-risk students

Back-to-School?

Blessing tags for backpacks

Staff retreat

Back to school rally

Recruit volunteers

Celebration of students moving
from grade levels

Pack to School collection of school
supplies

Clothes closet for kids

No Walls

Backpack s

Back-to-School?

Back to school pot luck for
congregation and preschool
families

Buy lunch boxes

Third Sunday Pennies for a
Purpose collection fund items for
children in our county.

Sunday Sundaes

A boxed lunch get together

Picnic

Back-to-School

Back-to-School at church includes
a variety of activities and
programs in worship and with
students and educators of all ages.

Back-to-School

- Backpack/Briefcase/Bag Blessings
- Local School Connections
- College Students





Backpack Blessings

- For more than students (K-12)
- Backpack kits for youth (swag) -
<https://bit.ly/3f5wFBG>
- Pinterest - Printable Free Backpack Tags





UMC Backpack Blessing - <https://bit.ly/3x7r0RH>



Connecting Beyond The Local Church

Good Shepherd and St. Matthew's UMC

Fairfax UMC

College Students -

<https://vaumc.org/newstudents/>



Back-to-Church?

Picnic

Boxed lunch get together

Youth pool party

Homecoming

Community event

Sunday School Kick-off

Picnic

Return to multiple services, kid programs,
student programs, etc.

we are doing a sunday, where we'll have
iced coffee and muffins, a polaroid with the
pastors between services, kids scavenger
hunt

Back-to-Church?

Family game night with youth families

Carnival

photo booth

sportsfest

Hay ride

youth ice cream socia

Sunday Sundaes

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Back-to-Church

Back-to-Church includes "kick-off" type events that have the goal of welcoming church members and new guests following the summer season. This takes on new meaning in this pandemic season of ministry.



Back-to-Church

- Kickoff Picnic/Potluck
- Kickoff of Program Ministries
- Sunday School Fair
- Welcoming Ministries





Kick Off (ReLaunch) for Program Ministries

- Children's Ministries
- Youth Group
- Adult Discipleship



Welcome Old and New

- Who are we welcoming?
- Creating a Welcoming Environment
- Methodism 101/Living Our Faith



Strategies to Get There

- Retention Strategy
- Zero - Learning - Discipling
- 3 Point Strategy with Children and Youth Ministries



Getting Started Questions

- How and where do you promote your events?
- What do we want people to experience?
- What do we want our space to look like?



We're Relaunching Too!

- **Children's Ministry - Monthly Chat Begins in September**
- **Youth Ministry Podcast and Monthly Chats**
- **CCYM and Youth Retreat, Dec. 3-5 -**
<https://vaumc.org/youth-ministry/>



Resources

- **Illustrated Ministry** - <https://bit.ly/3y4N5BI>
- **Sparkhouse** - <https://www.wearesparkhouse.org/>
- **Living Our Beliefs, Kenneth L. Carder** - <https://amzn.to/3rBrLLv>
- **God's Welcome, Amy Oden** - <https://amzn.to/3rF1XUQ>
- **Share Church** - <https://sharechurch.com/?s=welcome>
- **Seedbed** - <https://www.seedbed.com/>
- **YM360** - <https://youthministry360.com/>



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