

## Comments from the Conference

"There is a hunger within the Diocese for connection, for expansion, for sharing--I share those feelings. It is nice to know I'm not alone."

"We are all in this together"

"I will continue to pray and begin to talk it through with others who work with youth."

"I want to pray, report my experience and share the call of the Holy Spirit with congregation and Diocese"

"A neighboring church took me into their fold and welcomed my participation in discussion--we may plan activities together."

"My plan is to convene the Visioning Team of our parish to debrief this conference"

"Ideas from small groups were plentiful--we have so many resources right here in our Diocese!"

"I will contact places where I have seen good programs for input."

"I plan to devote more time to silence and prayer."

"My plan is to convene planning session with wardens and deacon of our parish to explore leadership training."

"We need to change our focus from "surviving" to "thriving" as a congregation--one way to do this is to use the gifts of our members to actively reach out to our community."

"We will look at what the needs and resources are at our church."

"We plan to re-start our youth group--maybe as part of an ecumenical youth group in our community."