

Life Changing Adventures in Faith

February 4, 2019

Dear Partners in Ministry:

Greetings from Lutherlyn! There is snow on the ground but planning for Summer Day Camps is well on its way.

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If your congregation would like to host a Day Camp, now is the time to reserve a spot. Throughout the summer there are day camp teams that travel to different congregations throughout the synods. The congregation hosts the staff and provides on-site assistance and Lutherlyn provides the complete program.

Philosophically, the three major goals for Day Camp are, 1) to bring the camp experience to children who are too young to attend camp or who may for various reasons be unable to attend camp, 2) to provide a vibrant evangelism tool for congregations to grow, and 3) to provide a fun, healthy, wholesome, social, Christian experience that children in your congregation can share with their friends and neighbors – whether or not they are members of any other church family in your neighborhood.

The fee for Day Camp 2019 is \$80.00 per camper with a 20 camper minimum. Below you will find a list of available dates. Please return the enclosed reservation form (or e-mail the required information) as soon as possible to reserve a date for this year. We will reserves dates on a first-come-first-serve basis. A summary of Lutherlyn's Day Camp program is on the other side of this letter and we can send you a complete information packet detailing the Day Camp program if you need further information before making a decision. The information packet is also available at www.lutherlyn.com.

2019	AVAILABLE DATES	

Week #1 – June 17-21	Week #3 – July 1-5	Week #5 – July 15-19	Week #7- July 29 Aug 2 FULL		
<b>Week #2</b> – June 24-28	<b>Week #4</b> – July 8-12	Week #6 – July 22-26			

We hope you will consider having a Day Camp in your neighborhood. It is a great outreach tool, a great ministry, and it is great fun.

Sincerely,

Deacon Deb Roberts Executive Director

# LUTHERLYN DAY CAMP

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Day Camp is a unique blend of outdoor ministry and congregational ministry. In this joint effort between Lutherlyn and local congregations, camp will provide the program elements (staff, schedule, supplies, curriculum and resources) and the congregations will provide volunteer helpers as needed, services, public relations, and involvement in the program as arranged by the director with the congregation's coordinator. Day Camp is an evangelical summer ministry that targets church and community youth who will be entering grades <u>one</u> through <u>five</u> the following fall.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of Day Camp is to provide congregations with a quality Christian outdoor ministry experience with a <u>strong evangelism and outreach</u> component at their site. While we hope to get young people excited about camping, our bigger priority is to get them involved in congregational ministry. Congregational involvement in this joint venture is extremely important because Day Camp will be a program of youth evangelism for the church and the surrounding community.

## **STRENGTH**

The strength of our Day Camps is the staff! Our Day Camp Staff consists of young adult counselors who are carefully selected for their Christian commitment and their love of children. They are trained in leading worship, Bible study, singing, crafts, nature study and recreation. More importantly, they are trained in a relational style of ministry that seeks to meet the individual needs of the campers. Our focus is a relational ministry emphasizing Christian role modeling.

## DAILY SCHEDULE

Each congregation may select a daily schedule that best fits its needs. If that means running an evening Day Camp we are willing. A typical day camp schedule is from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

#### SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

- 9:00 Arrival/Opening (songs, daily theme)
- 9:30 Get to know you and group building (divided by age group)
- 10:00 Bible Study (divided by age group)
- 10:30 Water/bathroom Break
- 10:45 Crafts
- 11:15 Stories, Songs, Puppets
- 11:45 Quiet time, bathroom break, prep for lunch
- 12:00 Lunch/clean-up
- 12:30 Nature Activity
- 1:00 Group Games
- 1:30 Snack/bathroom break
- 2:00 Finish craft, work on songs/skits for closing program
- 2:30 Closing Worship & "Campfire"
- 3:00 Departure

#### BENEFITS TO YOUR CONGREGATION

- 1. Strong evangelism programming within the community that welcomes families and youth into the life of your congregation.
- 2. Highly visible outreach to your community that draws attention to your congregation.
- 3. Good public relations in the community. You are providing a service which many youth and parents will appreciate.
- 4. Unique opportunity to strengthen the congregational community as you work together to prepare, plan, and execute the program.

## 2019 DAY CAMP CONGREGATION RESERVATION FORM

YES! Sign us up for a Lutherlyn Day Camp for the summer of 2019!				
Maybe. Please send us an informational packet to review.				
Name of Congregation				
Church Address				
Church Phone #				
Name of Pastor				
Name of Contact Person				
Address of Contact Person				
Contact Phone #				

Contact email \_\_\_\_\_

# **Available Weeks:**

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Date Preference: First Choice

Second Choice

Please return to:

Lutherlyn Day Camp P.O. Box 355 Prospect, PA 16052

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