

WHY CAMP?

A place for Christ-centered community

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Camp provides daily opportunities for prayer, faithful conversation with other Christians, stewardship of God’s Creation, elements of service to God and others, and daily devotions. We hear and experience God’s Word, and have opportunities to put it immediately into practice. We live out our baptismal promises, reminded that we are named, claimed, and sent. It’s an immersion in a loving, grace-filled community of Christ that offers us the a glimpse of the promised Kingdom - a fully immersive experience of the loving presence of Jesus, thanks to the gift of the Holy Spirit - and, as Daniel reminds us, we also have a lot of fun.

Maybe it’s time we rethink the value we place on church camp. It really does reinforce everything we teach about being a beloved child of God and allows us to encounter the living Christ in powerful ways.



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