

TOP 5 THINGS CHURCHES NEED TO KNOW ABOUT LAKESHORE

WHY CHURCH CAMP?

Because church camp is joyful fun! It is a sacred place. It is intensely relational, and positive role models abound! Camp is different from Vacation Bible School and Sunday School. Campers and leaders live, work, play, and worship together from early morning until late into the evening. They grow together through shared experiences and form an intentional community. They hear our faith stories in new places and new ways and find opportunities to share their own.

Celebrate Camp this spring in Your Church! We invite you to lift up our shared ministry. Select a Sunday this spring for a **Lakeshore Sunday** and have fun celebrating! The summer camp schedule, creative ideas for promotion, bulletin inserts, posters, and additional support materials are included in this packet.

Reproducible promotional materials are also available for easy download online at lakeshorecamp.org (click the "Support" tab, then scroll down for "Share"). *FYI—Summer Camp info is online and was mailed directly to campers from the last four summers.*

SUMMER CURRICULUM

It's one of those songs you don't soon forget after you hear the song leader shout out, "AND THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS Love, Joy, Peace, Patience - Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness - Gentleness and Self-Control." We will sing it a little louder, go through another stanza in a quiet whisper, and then burst out the chorus in a glorious shout. We get it! A healthy apple tree produces apples, a fig tree, figs, and a grape vine, grapes. The healthy, spirit-led Christian brings forth the Fruit of the Spirit. Galatians 5:16-26 makes clear that these fruits are evidence of God's presence in our lives.

Come experience life, love, and the God of Grace with us as we discover how these fruits flow freely from us when we walk in the Spirit. Camp awaits!

SERVING & GROWING

Leadership development is a priority for Lakeshore. Our ability to serve as an extension of your ministry is greatly enhanced through volunteer leaders. Volunteer counselors, nurses, and deans are vital to our ministry. Help us spread the word about these meaningful service opportunities.

VOLUNTEER COUNSELORS are a vital group of individuals who help make camp happen. Being a volunteer is a great opportunity to build leadership skills, gain confidence, and grow in faith. We even offer training! (for more information on counselor training, go to the "Retreats & Rentals" tab, then scroll down for "Counselor Training")

Applications for volunteering and paid staff are available online at lakeshorecamp.org (click the "Support" tab, then scroll down for "serve")

*If you are looking for an internship or need volunteer hours, contact our Program Director, Allison.

VOLUNTEER NURSES, most of whom are RNs, serve as part of our team during the summer at Lakeshore. Many return year after year, citing their time at camp as one of their most rewarding ministry experiences. Who in your congregation might be able and willing to answer this call?

ONLINE REGISTRATION

Families may register and make payments by mail OR online at Lakeshorecamp.org. (click the "Summer" tab, then scroll down for "Registration")

They may choose to add a church payment option and/or a payment plan.

SUMMER OF SERVICE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

It has been said that serving on camp staff is like being on a mission trip all summer long. Putting faith into action, building Christian community, and making a difference in the lives of the young people we serve - it's great for the soul and the resume. Young adults gain valuable experience for careers in ministry, teaching, recreation, social work, and other service-related fields. Have young adults to recommend? Contact Lakeshore.