FALL 2021 NEWSLETTER

FLBC Alpdate



# Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH

- **2:30 PM** FLBC Annual Meeting
- 4:00 PM Silent Auction Happy Hour & Appetizers
- 5:30 PM Dinner is served
- 6:15 PM Live Auction & Program

Silent Auction Closes

*Silent Auction opens before the Annual Meeting, and closes after the program.* 

Activities & dinner for youth from 4–7 PM

Weekend housing is available on a first-come, first-served basis! Please contact the FLBC office.

# Join us for Saturday's event!

Individual Tickets:	\$30 each
Table Package (8 tickets):	\$200
Kids 16 & Under:	FREE

Contact FLBC at 406-752-6602 to purchase tickets, or visit: <u>one.bidpal.net/flbcauction/</u> to buy tickets online and browse our online auction items.

Online bidding opens 10/1/21 and ends 10/10/21.

# **Harvest Festival & Annual Meeting**

#### Tickets are now available for the Harvest Festival Dinner & Auction!

LOOK INSIDE FOR YOUR

2022

It's time for our fourth biennial Fall Harvest Festival & Auction on Saturday, October 9th, 2021, an event to help make camp financially accessible to all!

Event location: 550 Lutheran Camp Rd, Lakeside MT 59922

## Check out our online auction!

Whether you can make it to our in-person event or not, you can support camperships through online bidding! *Some items are available for browsing now, and bidding opens October 1st and closes October 10th.* 



# **2021 Summer Review**



# Summer 2021 by the Numbers!\*

**7** weeks of Summer Camp for youth, families, and groups!

**544** of on-site campers (Youth & Grand Camp).

**129** of Glacier Wilderness & Senior High Off-site Campers.

**192** of week-long Family Campers and "Custom Week" campers.

**15** Day Camps in congregations with over **400** day campers!

**52** Incredible Volunteers.

**36** Summer staff from **6** different states joined our year-round staff to make **1 AWESOME TEAM!** 

Thank You!

\*Numbers are estimates at the time of writing



## THANK YOU TO OUR 2021 SUMMER STAFF!

**BACK ROW L TO R:** Jacob Kvale, Riley Doman, McKenyon King, Megan Andersen, Lauren Beenken, Lucas Oelkers, Zac Moore, Haley Milton, Dhylan Worster, Ella Krumm, Frank Harney, Amari Chenault, Addy Mohorcich, Hannah McLaughlin, Margie Fiedler MIDDLE ROW L TO R: Carlee Wood, Mesa McKee, Caitlynn Myton, Margrethe Hawthorne, Madison Robertson, Bailee Doman, Sophie Warnberg, Haley Jacobson, Emma Hall, Satyn Tomsheck, Emma Bates **FRONT ROW L TO R:** Karen Heser, Michelle Thompson, Sammi Watson, Dania Jones, Lily Overstreet, Sheridan Johnson, Kelsey Noble, Sam Applehans, Amanda Applehans, Grant Applehans, Kate Folkman, Nick Greenlund, Mantha Svendsen



 $\triangle$  Over 670 pounds of non-perishable food items and paper products were brought as part of our summer offering to be given to our local food banks! Thank you to campers of all ages for your amazing generosity.



# **Thrivent Choice & Action Teams**

# thrivent Thanks to all who support camp with their Thrivent

Choice dollars and

Thrivent Action Teams! Thrivent Choice dollars help us provide financial support to campers of all ages, make improvements around camp, and purchase new equipment to make the camp experience even better! Additionally, Thrivent members can apply for a Thrivent Action Team grant and help camp complete a project! Past Action Teams include building new campfire circles, repairing and providing benches and picnic tables, and much more!

Call our office for help with applying for an Action Team project such as:

- Pavilion Bathroom cubbies for off-site groups •
- New roofs for the Staff bathhouse and cabins
- Outside benches and picnic tables •
- Screens for windows •
- Screen doors for cabins
- Fans for cabin spaces •
- & many more! •

Contact the FLBC office if you would like help directing Thrivent Choice dollars or applying for an Action team!

# **Angel Tree Camping**

For the first time this summer, we partnered with Angel Tree Camping (a ministry of the Prison Fellowship) to welcome children with one or more incarcerated parents to FLBC. It is an honor to get to partner with Angel Tree and to continue to share God's love with these campers at FLBC.



# Your 2022 *Summer Brochure* is here! Save it for later and share it with a friend!

# **Meet the Schularick Family!**



The Schularick family, Nate, Anne, Karina (11), and Noah (8), have been a part of the FLBC family for a long time. Anne served several summers on staff beginning in 2001 and eventually invited her friend Nate to serve with her. They first came to FLBC as a family in 2017. At the end of our conversation,

Karina and Noah are eager to make it on time to closing worship of week-long family camp to make sure they get to worship with their FLBC family one more time.

Anne and Nate were married at FLBC August 11, 2007 and decided to attend family camp in 2017 as a 10-year anniversary adventure and as a way for their family to navigate through a big life transition: moving from Iowa to Minnesota. This summer is the third time the Schularick's have come to week-long family camp.

When asked what they loved about camp, the kids shared:

"I like the morning structured time. We can always ask questions about God to our counselors, and they listen. I like meeting all the new people. Camp is always so welcoming. I also like the group activities and the ice cream cones in the canteen," said Karina

"I like the boating and low ropes, when we have to work together," chimed in Noah "Oh and the ice cream cones too... especially the birthday cake flavor." Nate and Anne both experienced Bible Camp as kids. Anne knew that she would work at camp someday, and would marry a camp counselor, "so I made my boyfriend become one!" joked Anne.

"I grew up going to Bible camp as a kid, and there were times I felt bullied at camp... so it was not always all fun," Nate recalled.

"My dad was a pastor, so we faithfully went every year. But I do feel that it was at camp, where I felt my faith coming alive," Anne shared.

Nate, Anne, Karina, and Noah are one of many families who make the long journey from Minnesota to attend family camp, calling quickly on the morning registration opens to ensure they have a spot.

"I love the time to disconnect from the outside world and connect with family again. We laugh a lot at camp, we love the music, and we tell stories about camp the rest of the year," Anne said.

"Why should people come to family camp?" we asked. Noah said "Tell people you will not use screens all week, and that it is still soooo much fun."

Thank you Nate, Anne, Karina, and Noah for being a part of the FLBC family!



in 2007 taking FLBC's limousine/Peace Canoe (which is currently being refinished thanks to Fred Goughnour)!









"I pray that you and all of God's people will understand what is called wide or long or high or deep. I want you to know all about Christ's love, although it is too wonderful to be measured. Then your lives will be filled with all that God is."

Ephesians 3:18–19 CEV

# 2022 Summer Program Schedule

To discover what programs are available for your desired age range/grade entering in Fall 2021, look at the legend below the calendar for the matching color and icon. Visit <u>www.flbc.net</u> for more information and program descriptions.

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▲ Pioneers: Entering Grades 4 & 5 ★ Senior High: Entering Grade 10 - 2021 Grads ¤ Families; Staff Family Weekend

Community • Joy • Adventure • Fun



Experience **"Boundless: God beyond measure"** this summer! Campers will explore the good news of God's boundless grace through stories of God's goodness, love, welcome, forgiveness, and generosity.

## **FLBC Mission**

To experience Christ's grace through meaningful relationships, shared adventure, and purposeful service.

## Every week at camp, all ages will experience:

## **Faith Formation**

Worship, small group time, journaling, Bible study, campfires, labyrinth, prayer trail, singing

## Play

Swimming, archery, hiking, basketball, boats, gaga ball, arts & crafts, hammock village, creation center, pottery studio

## Hospitality

Great food, awesome volunteers, quality staff trained in First Aid, CPR, and working with people of all abilities

## **Personal Growth**

Team building on low and high ropes courses, discovery times, many opportunities to try new things!

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. This institution is operated under special use permit with the Flathead and Kootenai National Forests.



# Camps & Programs

#### Adventure Camp

Dates: July 31-August 5

**Cost:** \$550

Adventure Campers will sleep in platform tents, prepare their meals outside, enjoy fishing on Flathead Lake, go on an overnight backpacking trip on camp property & practice outdoor skills. Learning these skills gives campers access to enjoy outdoor recreation for their whole lives, builds confidence, and develops connection with the gift of God's wonderful creation in the natural surroundings we enjoy in Montana. Maximum: 14 campers

#### ▲ ■ ◆ Basketball Camp

Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$500

Basketball camp combines these wonderful experiences with growth in Basketball skills! Campers will practice each morning under the guidance of a coach and our staff. All skill levels are welcome! Campers will stay in cabins and be transported to a local gym.

### ◆★ Climb & Kayak

Dates: June 26-July 1 ★ July 3-8 ◆★ **Cost:** \$600

The Kootenai National Forest is home to Lake Koocanusa, a spectacular destination for both kayaking and rock climbing. Spend two days paddling on the lake and exploring the sandy beaches that surround it! You will camp near the shore at night, carrying personal and community gear in your kayak! Spend the other half of your week scaling the cliffs of Stone Hill, one of northwest Montana's premier climbing areas! Haven't climbed before? Never fear! Our guide has routes for all levels and abilities. Spend evenings camping around Koocanusa, cooking meals, and enjoying time for reflection and group Bible study.

### Cooking Camp

#### Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$500

Whether you dream of winning Top Chef or just like baking cookies for your family, join in the fun of Cooking Camp this year! Campers will spend their mornings in the kitchen, learning culinary skills and having fun with ingredients. And of course, campers will enjoy sampling their treats at an afternoon Tea Party on Thursday. After their kitchen sessions, campers will join in for all the best camp adventures.

TO REGISTER OR FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.flbc.net • 406-752-6602



#### **Confirmation Camp**

Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$485

Pastors, youth ministers-bring your confirmation crew for a week of faith formation at camp! Lead your confirmation sessions and experience them through the many special activities camp offers such as team building, ropes courses, arts and crafts projects, time in and on the water, and much more. Register as a group!

## Cross Country Camp

Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$500

Calling all runners, experienced racers and people interested in getting into the sport alike! Join coach Jay Bates (head XC coach at Emerald Ridge H.S. in Puyallup, WA) in daily training sessions to become a faster and healthier runner! This is also a great way to have fun and get in shape for Fall sports and life! Training sessions will be conducted in a supportive and encouraging environment. When not training, enjoy a wide range of on-site programming and faith formation activities, and the wonderful community that is formed at camp!



#### ★ Custom Design Group Trip

Dates: Contact us to schedule a date that works for you!

Want to bring a group of high schoolers to FLBC but not sure which program is right for your group? Contact us about creating a custom trip! Mix and match backpacking, rafting, climbing, kayaking, sailing, traditional onsite, and service experiences to create the perfect week for your crew. All options include time for relaxation, Bible study, and worship. Let us craft an unforgettable week for you and your youth! \*Baseline price

### +•A Day Camp, Onsite Mon-Fri

Dates: July 17–22

Cost: \$190

Looking for an awesome week at camp without the overnight stay? Onsite day campers experience the joys of camp-such as worship, arts and crafts, and swimming (bring a swimsuit and towel!)-while getting to go home at the end of the day.

Drop off at camp is at 9:00 AM, and pickup is at 3:00 PM Monday–Thursday, with an 11:00 AM closing worship on Friday (Friday pickup between 11:30 AM–12:30 PM). Lunch and snacks are included.

#### • Explorer Camp (Traditional Onsite)

Dates: July 10-15

**Cost:** \$485

July 24-29

July 31-August 5 Explorers have the opportunity to experience an entire program session (Sunday–Friday) at camp! Explorers practice team work through games, swim in the lake, spend time on the courts, learn how to paddle kayaks and canoes, and so much more!

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#### ●▲■ Glaciers & Galaxies Camp

Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$500

Curious about the world around you? Enjoy experiments and exploration? Join us for a week of learning more about the natural world through hands-on activities and experiments related to earth science, biology, geology & more. Campers will spend time exploring the forests & waterways of FLBC alongside all the classic fun of camp. God's creation is amazing!

### ★♥\* Holy Land Journey

#### Dates: June 20-29

Cost: \$3,290

**Cost:** \$550

Join us for a journey to the Holy Land! \*Must be 15+. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Contact the FLBC for a complete information & registration packet.

#### + Navigator Camp (Traditional on-site)

Dates: July 10-12, July 13-15 **Cost:** \$270 July 24-26, July 27-29

Is your younger camper ready for a two-night sleep-away camp experience? Navigators enjoy playing on the courts, exploring the woods with their cabins, swimming and paddling in the water, crafts, and more, all alongside supportive and skilled staff members. Enjoy a fun-filled snapshot of camp! Navigator Camp begins with check-in at 3:30 PM on the first day of your half-week, and finishes with an 11:00 AM closing worship, and pick up from 11:30 AM-12:30 PM.

### **\*** Night Camp

#### Dates: July 10-15

Calling all night owls! Campers will stay up progressively later until Tuesday night & return to a more normal schedule by Friday. Night Campers will have all kinds of adventures by moonlight: late night high ropes, night swimming & canoeing and all the glow in the dark games you can think of! Campers will also participate in the day to day fun of camp through worship, Bible study & team building. Campers will sleep in our platform tent cabins, practice outdoor cooking for their meals, and do their activities in small groups. Maximum: 14 campers

## ★ North Fork Raft

Dates: July 10-15

July 24-29

Over four days and three nights, float all 58 miles of the North Fork of the Flathead River! This Wild and Scenic designated river forms the boundary between Glacier National Park to the east and the Flathead National Forest to the west. Views of the mighty Livingston range on the west edge of Glacier NP dominate the first three days of the trip, and the fourth provides an 11-mile stretch of class II and III whitewater. Your crew will pull your boats onto the banks at the end of your day, and will set up camp right along the river. This is a special trip through one of the most stunning and pristine river corridors in the American west!

### Outback Camp

Dates: July 3-8 Cost: \$550 Outback campers spend even more of their week at camp in the great outdoors! Outbackers prepare their own meals using new outdoor cooking skills and sleep in tent cabins while enjoying fun camp activities like boating, archery, and the low ropes course. Plus, campers will spend a night in our awesome treehouses! Maximum: 14 campers

## ★ Pack N' Raft

Dates: July 31-August 5

**Cost:** \$600

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Spend four days and three nights exploring the rugged terrain in northwest Montana on foot! These trips allow participants to spend time in some of the beautiful and remote areas we are fortunate to have access to, including the Jewel Basin Hiking Area, the Bob Marshall Wilderness Complex, the Swan crest, and the Kriklehorn Peak area of the Whitefish Range. There is no more intimate way to spend time in these areas than on foot. You'll carry all your gear with you, and learn skills such as water filtration, backcountry camp site selection, navigation, and backcountry cooking. End your trip with a half day whitewater float on the Flathead River!





#### Pathfinder Camp (Traditional on-site) Dates: July 10–15 Cost: \$485 July 24-29

Pathfinders enjoy all the classic fun of camp alongside new adventures! Try your hand at pottery in the art barn, spend a night in the treehouses, and experience a team building element on the high ropes course! Join in for a week of growing in faith and adventure with new friends!

#### Pioneer Camp (Traditional on-site)

Dates: July 10-15	Cost:	\$485
July 24–29		
July 31–August 5		

Pioneers enjoy faith formation, community building, and all of the fun activities of camp such as archery, hiking, team building on low ropes courses, and canoeing while they explore camp, and even sleep under the stars for a night!

## Ranch Camp

Dates: June 19-24

#### **Cost:** \$775

Ranch campers take in the beauty of Montana by horseback! Join Cecil Noble and his talented staff at Artemis Acres (a ranch near Kalispell) and practice your horsemanship, and grow through games, worships, and Bible studies led by your counselor! Campers will spend their entire week at the ranch sleeping in tents, cooking all meals over the fire, spending time learning new skills, and taking trail rides around the beautiful forests of NW Montana.

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July 31-August 5

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#### ★ Rock & Raft

Dates: July 17-22

This week of climbing is geared toward climbers of all abilities. Spend four days climbing at Stone Hill, one of Northwest Montana's premier climbing areas. You will learn climbing technique, knots, and belaying. Our climbing guide will set up routes for all climbing levels. Evenings will be spent cooking meals, relaxing, and spending time in Bible study with the rest of the group. At week's end, your group will spend a half-day white water rafting on the Middle Fork of the Flathead River.

### ★ Sailing

#### Dates: June 26–July 1 July 24–29

**Cost:** \$600

**Cost:** \$600

Ever wondered what it would be like to live on a boat for a few days? Sailing trips at FLBC let you have that experience! Spend time exploring our corner of Flathead Lake and sleep on our sailboats during the week. Learn sailing skills and techniques as you cruise down to the waters near Wild Horse Island. Your week will culminate with time on FLBC's high ropes course and a half day whitewater float on the Lower Flathead River.

## ★ Seattle Servant

#### Dates: June 26-July 1

**Cost:** \$600

Travel to Seattle, the Emerald City, to spend a week in service to others. You will spend time with and serve meals to people experiencing homelessness, help with yard work and landscaping at a Veteran's center, and work alongside adults with developmental disabilities at the L'arche farming community in Tacoma. There will be time for exploration and fun, including a visit to Seattle's historic Pikes Place Market, as well as for reflection and Bible study.

This trip is a perfect opportunity to practice the Christian call to service, and to learn how to be supportive members of our communities at home.

# **Senior High Camp** (Traditional on-site)

### Dates: July 10–15

**Cost:** \$485

This traditional on-site camp experience is open for all senior high students! Your counselors will guide you through a wide range of on-site programming during your week. Spend time in community and enjoy all of the fun camp offers, such as hiking, swimming, worship, arts and crafts, the high ropes course, and so much more! Remember, Senior High includes 2022 graduates!

#### ★ Staff in Training

#### Dates: June 19-24

**Cost:** \$485

Are you excited to work as a camp counselor one day? Get a taste of being on the FLBC summer staff through a week of leadership development, learning tangible skills, and fellowship! Shadow staff members and help lead games, worship, and Bible study. SIT campers will also learn about the philosophy of our mission at FLBC and are invited back for a week as an assistant counselor or member of support staff free of charge! These skills and experiences will serve you in a future role at FLBC or with another organization/employer!

#### ●▲■◆★ STAR Camp

Dates: June 26-July 1

**Cost:** \$600

**Cost:** \$3,995

Show us your artistic side! Sign up for one of three core areas (Singing, Theater, & Art) and learn new skills from our awesome instructors in all areas! Campers have the opportunity to collaborate with others to create masterpieces in all mediums! STAR Campers also experience all the joys of a week of camp, like swimming, archery, team building and worship.

## ★♥\* Tanzania Trip

#### Dates: August 8-17

Join us for a trip of a lifetime in Tanzania! We will help with a day camp for children and go on a safari. Share the love of Jesus (and the Tanzanians will with us) as we accompany our friends around the globe. \*Must be 15+; minors must be accompanied by an adult.



 Trailblazer Camp (Traditional on-site)
 Dates: July 10–15 Cost: \$485 July 24–29 July 31–August 5

Every year is a new adventure for Trailblazer campers. Take on an early morning polar plunge, experience the full high ropes course and go on an overnight camp-out. Trailblazers form new friendships through team building, Bible study experiences, prayer services & time in the great outdoors!

### Treehouse Camp

#### Dates: July 17-22

**Cost:** \$550

Treehouse campers spend the week amidst the trees and sleep in the coolest spot at camp–our outdoor Treehouses! Campers will experience the fun of camp through Bible study, daily worship and age group activities, with the added excitement of sleeping with a great view and an overnight in Hammock Village. Campers will also cook their own meals over the fire and backpacking stoves! Come for a week of growing in faith, making new friends, and adventuring. Maximum: 14 campers

## Wild Water Week

Dates: July 31-August 5

**Cost:** \$550

Sailing, paddle boarding, pontoon rides & much more await you during this week of camp! Campers will canoe to a nearby camp-out spot, enjoy swimming at night, take on an obstacle course in the water (and more!) as they build relationships with others and learn more about their faith. Wild Water campers will sleep in platform tents and use new outdoor skills to prepare all of their meals. Maximum: 14 campers

🎔 Families: All ages / 0-105+ 🕂 Navigators: entering grades 1 & 2 👁 Explorers: entering grade 3 🔺 Pioneers: entering grades 4 & 5 🔳 Pathfinders: entering grades 6 & 7 🔷 Trailblazers: entering grades 8 & 9 ★ Senior High: entering grade 10-Grads 2022

# Day Camps, Retreats, Events & Glacier Wilderness Adventures



# B.Y.O.E. Bring Your Own Event

Create your own retreat or event at FLBC! Our amazing venue is available year-round for custom retreats, family reunions, celebrations, corporate groups, team building events, youth retreats, Christmas dinners, and much more. Our talented staff are ready to help you plan your event. We would love to have you join us! Contact us for prices and availability.



## Day Camps At Your Place!

There are many ways to host an awesome summer Day Camp! Bring your group to FLBC or have a team of staff come to you. FLBC works with congregations to provide day camps for children grades 1–6, youth events for grades 7–12, and outreach opportunities for families and adults. Call for availability and more information.



## **Glacier Wilderness:** High School Youth

# Group Adventures & Servant Trips

Groups come from Montana and all across the country! Bring a group from your community or congregation and choose your adventure. We offer backpacking, kayaking, rafting, sailing, rock climbing, and service trips or mix and match to create the perfect week for your crew.

Our Wilderness Director will help you choose activities and design a program that will meet your needs.



Family camps are for families, individuals, singleparent families, grandparents, or anyone else! Join us for a fantastic time growing in faith in God's creation and connecting with others in faith community. Enjoy Bible study, great food, sailing, low and high ropes team building, archery, worship, campfire, rest, and renewal!

## **P** Grand Camp & Custom Family/Groups

Dates: July 17–22 Cost: For ages 1

For ages 12+: 1 overnight = \$120 2 overnights = \$192 3 overnights = \$325 4 overnights = \$421 5 overnights = \$524 Ages 4-11 = half price Ages 0-3 = free

Costs include all activities, meals, & housing.

Come enjoy the fun of camp for 1 night or the entire week–you choose! Grandparents & grandkiddos, families of 1 or 10, hiking groups, youth groups–all are welcome.

Younger campers will have the opportunity to attend Day Camp On-Site during the day. Check in at 3:30 PM on your arrival day, and depart after worship at 11:30 AM on your last day.

### ♥ Family Camp Weekend

Dates: July 1-3 Cost: Adults 12+ \$192 ea Children 4-11 \$96 ea Children < 3 Free

Bring your family for a weekend of fun on Flathead Lake! Adventure in the water, through the woods, or just to the Art Barn while enjoying time with your whole family.

## ♥ Week Long Family Camp

July 3-8	
Adults 12+	\$524 ea
Children 4–11	\$262 ea
Children < 3	Free
	Children 4-11

Adventure for all ages! Bring your family together to experience the joy of camp and dwell in the beauty of God's creation. Adults will have time to participate in Bible Study or enjoying camp activities while FLBC staff lead Bible Study and activities for youth. Plus, consider coming for Family Weekend (July 1–3) to extend your fun!

Registration for Family Camp opens on January 20th, 2022, at 9 AM (Mountain Time!)

# Appantees with as for a Meet

# There is Always SOMETHING to be Done at Camp!

Whether helping in the kitchen, leading activities for campers, completing a work project or joining in with a group for Bible study, volunteers are invaluable! All volunteers will be housed, fed & taken care of during their time at camp. We ask that all volunteers share a skill or talent with campers during a one hour "Discovery Time" 4 days of the week.

- All volunteers must be 21 years old (with the exception of alumni staff members).
- Volunteers are asked to consider a \$75 contribution toward their time at camp.
- Cost for non-working spouse of family member, 12+ accompanying a volunteer is \$524
- Volunteers may not bring children or grandchildren unless they are enrolled in a camp program or are an infant in arms. We ask that camp nurses not bring any guests or children.

## For more information or to apply:

- Download the Volunteer Packet at www.flbc.net/donate-volunteer and return it to the camp office or complete it online.
- Call 406-752-6602 to have a packet mailed to you.
- Application opens for MT adults on October 1; for out-of-state volunteers on November 1!)

## Spaces fill quickly, so apply early!

Volunteers bring the LOVE!





# **Opportunities Include:**

## **Camp Grandparents:**

As a grandparent for the whole camp, you will serve as a comforting presence while connecting with campers and assist in day-to-day activities such as helping in the kitchen, cleaning, and more.

## **Adult Volunteers**

Your week at camp may include helping with maintenance (i.e. cleaning, painting, gardening) and kitchen work, along with sharing your gifts with campers.

## **Nurses/Doctors**

You will help care for the physical wellbeing of FLBC campers, staff, and guests.

## **Pastors/Youth Directors**

You provide spiritual support by assisting in leading worship, joining Bible studies, and being a warm presence throughout

camp, as well as kitchen, maintenance, etc.

## Alumni Staff

Return to camp and share your gifts! We would love to have you join us! You must apply!

# Frequently Asked Questions

#### I'm registered, what's next?

You will receive an email confirmation and welcome letter including all the waivers and forms you need; you will also receive a list of what to bring to camp with you! You can also find this on our website.

#### When is everything due?

For campers registered before June 1st:

• Full payment, health form, and required waivers are due by June 1st.

For those registering after June 1st:

• Full payment is due at time of registration.

Please complete forms online at the time of enrollment or as soon as possible.

#### Having forms filled out online early will:

- Make registration fat go much smoother for you and your camper.
- Allow your camper's counselor to review their information and better care for your camper
- Improve your church campership communication
- Help us have your camper's medical information readily available at a moment's notice.

What time should I arrive at camp for my week?

Camp registration begins each week on Sunday afternoon from 3:30–5:00pm (Wednesday afternoon for Half-Week campers). Registration will be located near the basketball court or, if it's raining, in the Cockrell Center.

#### When is the camp week over?

Closing worship is Friday at 11:00am. Family and friends are invited to join us for worship in the Amphitheater, located just beyond the parking lot.

#### May I send my camper mail while at camp?

Yes! However, consider mail travel time to ensure it arrives in time! Please NO care packages, gifts, or food.

#### Mailing address:

FLBC "Camper Name and Program" PO Box 790 Lakeside, MT 59922

#### You can also email your camper!

Send a message to camper@flbc.net with their name & cabin information in the subject line.

#### What if I want to come to camp but can't afford it?

FLBC believes that every person who wants to come to camp should be able to do so! No one is ever turned away for financial reasons.

25% of all program fees are already funded through generous gifts from FLBC supporters. If your child or a person you know needs financial assistance, "Camperships" are available beginning April 15th.

Call the office at 406-752-6602 to request a Campership form after you have already checked with your congregation and/or family for other scholarship availability.

#### Where are you located?

We are located on the west side of Flathead Lake along Highway 93, 17 miles south of Kalispell, Montana, 3 miles south of Lakeside.

#### Directions to FLBC:

From Highway 93–Turn onto Lutheran Camp Road (between mile markers 94 & 95). After half a mile, turn left at the 'Y' and continue another half mile to the parking lot on the right (just beyond the Gathering Pavilion).

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Refund Policy: FLBC will refund all but the \$75 deposit up to one month in advance of your week at camp. Sorry, no refunds within a month of your camp stay.

**REGISTRATION OPENS DECEMBER 15, 2021!** 

**REGISTER ONLINE FOR 2022 YOUTH CAMPING PROGRAMS!** 

# FLBC Registration Form

Register for Family Camp programs and custom Family/Small Group adventures online or by contacting FLBC.

### **YOUTH CAMPER INFORMATION**

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# **Musings from Margie**

by Margie Fiedler, Executive Director

### Musings is defined as "a period of reflection or thought"

I had been approved for and planned a sabbatical in 2020 (our personnel policies allow for a sabbatical every 7 years for full time staff, so I was eager to have some time of rest and reflection) then along came COVID-19 and our world was turned upside down. I had planned seminary classes, hiking the Camino de Santiago, business and computer classes, rushing from one thing to another in hopes of being better equipped to serve when I returned to camp life. When the board re-approved my sabbatical (which Webster defines as "a paid leave for study and travel"), I asked if I could just sleep for two months. The stress and daily changes we faced dealing with how to run camp and retreats in a pandemic had totally worn me out.

One good thing about Covid is that I now know I need to rest during this time... and I will be resting, dreaming, reading, and praying. I am eager to see friends and family whom I have not seen since before Covid. I will also be spending time in God's beautiful creation: hiking, skiing, visiting some hot springs, and going to Canada to see polar bears in the wild (and they say I do not need to bring my bear spray!). I do plan to do some sorting, cleaning, recycling, and decluttering as a spiritual task of being open to the "new" of what God has in store for me and for FLBC.

I continue to be honored to serve this incredible ministry, where lives are changed and the spirit of God is alive and well, even in the midst of Covid's ups and downs. Thank you for your prayers and financial gifts that have sustained this ministry. Thank you to the amazing year-round staff—they have each done the work for two people in order for us to stay open. They are truly amazing and are allowing me to go on this 2-month sabbatical, because of their competence and care.

I am looking forward to many things coming up in 2022! Join me in praying for and supporting these exciting things happening at FLBC.

- The report and recommendations of the Strategic Planning team
- The Technology grant (thanks to the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust) and how this will be used to advance mission and ministry at FLBC
- Building up our fall/winter/spring programs of retreats and environmental education post Covid
- Planning for *"Boundless"*—our 2022 summer theme—focusing on sharing the boundless love of Christ with all
- Welcoming new year-round staff to further the mission of FLBC
- The Holy Ground campaign with a \$235,000 goal to help with several facility/program needs.

Thank you....be sure to contact our office for whatever we can help you with (*but remember... Oct 15–Dec 15th, 2021, Margie will be musing!*)

# The Flathead Liturgy

Now available for purchase from our online store! Many thanks to Pastor Grant Applehans for his diligent work in creating a worship setting in a camp tune.

## Also online... FLBC gear!

Give the gift of camp spirit for Christmas! For more information and to purchase the liturgy and other camp store items, visit: <u>https://flathead-lutheran-</u> bible-camp.square.site/

# Holy Land Journey June 20–29, 2022

We are excited to take a long awaited journey to the Holy Land! Join FLBC staff, Pastor Arne Bergland (retired from Our Redeemer's LC, Helena MT), and guide Elias Nawawieh as we experience the Holy Land in a whole new way.



# The Montana Tax Credit

What an amazing "gem" we have here in Montana! Yes, FLBC has an incredible opportunity when it comes to planned gifts!

Originally enacted in 1997, and extended several times, the Montana Endowment Tax Credit was extended through 2025 during the 2019 Montana Legislative Session.

We in Montana are unique, and this law, is a unique special law to help non-profits in Montana. Over the years, several of our donors have set up charitable trusts and charitable gift annuities that will in time benefit the camp (but help the donor now!). Legacy gifts designated to the camp and your other favorite charities help sustain these ministries into the future. At FLBC you may also designate your gift for the campership endowment or for the general endowment fund for facilities, etc. The corpus of your gift will be in perpetuity to help the camp grow and thrive... sharing the love of Christ with all for decades to come!

#### The Law Provides For: Planned Gifts

Credit against state income tax liability in the amount of 40% of the present value of any planned gift to a permanent endowment of a Montana charity up to a maximum amount of \$10,000 per year per taxpayer.

#### **Outright Gifts**

Credit against state income tax liability in the amount of 20% of the present value of any outright gift by a business entity to a permanent endowment of a Montana charity up to a maximum of \$10,000 per year per taxpayer.

Talk to your financial advisor and/or attorney, or contact FLBC for more information. Also, for more information about the Tax Credit, visit the Montana Department of Revenue web site.

Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift in your will/estate plan to FLBC!

# **Built on Sacred Ground**

By Grace Schroeder Scott



Thank you for generously sharing your time, talent and treasures through your participation in the life and mission of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. Your gifts and service help ensure our future. We are blessed to be a blessing by giving of ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of God's gracious love. It is a joy to give and serve with an optimistic spirit in gratitude for God's abundant blessings in our lives.

As faithful Partners and Legacy Partners, we encourage one another to support the Christ-centered mission and long-term vision of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. Now in its 78th year, FLBC continues to grow its summer and year round intergenerational ministry. Built on sacred ground, FLBC offers transformational experiences.

Annual gifts help the Camp meet year-round and seasonal staffing and maintenance costs, and provide summer camperships. We also encourage major and planned gifts to support summer counselors, capital projects and the FLBC Endowment Fund.

I look forward to meeting with individuals and families to help you discover the most effective ways of giving to strengthen Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted everyone. We are grateful for your ongoing generous support. In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we encourage you to join us in increasing your charitable support of FLBC.

For further information, please give me a call at 612-743-7035 or send an email to grace@flbc.net. We are pleased to offer charitable gift information and services without cost or obligation. God's blessings and thanks!

Grace Schroeder Scott serves as Senior Development Consultant for Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp.

# **High Hopes**

## Haikus for Camp!

Anticipating... Summer Camp in Montana, Great times are ahead! Flathead Lutheran Summer Bible Camp brings joy As friendships are formed. Lasting memories, Creative activities Nurture our faith life. Flathead Lake offers A spectacular setting For exploration! First prayers at sunrise Lead us right into breakfast; We gather to dine! -We give thanks and sing, Study the Word of the Lord, We hike, climb and swim! We learn arts and crafts, Painting, weaving, and knitting Things to give away. ..... Service to others Is the heart of God's message; We are here to learn. Days at Camp are full; Great counselors open doors For our spirit growth. We learn by doing Team-building trust through "high ropes!" It's amazing and fun! •••••• Lasting friendships form While we play, eat, sing, pray, hike Together at Camp. Nothing's better than Campfire worship and music, And heavenly s'mores! A spark kindles fire To get my faith a-blazing. Camp renews my soul! Memories of Camp Become such wonderful gifts To share with others. Encourage, show love; Be generous in giving. Support God's high hopes! Written by Grace Schroeder Scott

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# **Holy Ground**

#### "God Claims Earth and everything in it, God Claims World and all who live on it." ~Psalm 24:1 (MSG)

Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp is excited to continue caring for this special piece of creation entrusted to us through our "Holy Ground" mini Capital Campaign. Officially beginning in 2022, we will focus on outdoor improvements that need attention in order to continue offering fun, faith-filled, and safe programs for all. These items include:

- 1. Paying off the Hughes Bay land purchased in October of 2020
- 2. Repairing the Swim dock and installing a lift chair
- 3. Putting electric wires to the upper bath house underground
- 4. Removing diseased/dangerous trees and planting new trees in the main area of camp
- 5. Adding an entrance and new element to the High Ropes Course
- 6. Installing a watering system and making needed improvements to the garden
- 7. Adding additional storage, a new transformer and electricity to our Upper Parking Lot

In total, an estimated \$235,000 will allow us to make these updates, with the goal of raising these funds by 2024! As we look to 2023 and the 80th birthday of the ministry of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp, we hope to ensure the land continues to be taken care of to prepare for the next 80 years of ministry at FLBC! God has provided this amazing land which has developed into a wonderful home for Christ-centered adventure programs for people of all ages, all year long.

"The land is Holy Land. The seeds we sow both physically and spiritually, can flourish into beautiful hubs of life and diversity long after we leave."



Our students are so thankful that we could spend an incredible three days at your camp. I appreciated the high-caliber educational opportunities that you provide. The staff are knowledgeable, enthusiastic, and engaging. The lodging and food can not be beat.

~ Environmental Education program participant

~ Climate and Justice, Sacred Ground

# Environmental Education

We are excited to continue to welcome schools for our Environmental Education program!

FLBC staff lead lessons in hydrology, geology, ecology, navigation, wilderness skills, garden/food, and team building in addition to sharing all of the fun activities camp offers.

Visit us on-line for more information!





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# Grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust

Thanks to the generosity of the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, we are excited to continue looking towards the future of Flathead Lutheran Bible Camp. In addition to support for technological improvements around camp, we have the opportunity to receive a matching challenge grant of \$30,000 for gifts from first time donors and supporters who haven't given in 2 or more years.

Will you prayerfully consider giving a gift to FLBC and inviting a friend to be a part of this ministry?



# So Long, Farewell & Thank You!

# Jacob Kvale

Jacob started as a summer staff member, serving three summers, before joining the year-round team in the Fall of 2017.

Jacob quickly became a leader and brought the camp new and exciting ideas to our wilderness program and operations oversight, not to mention

his deep theology, and amazing gifts of writing and music.

Whether Jacob is working on a sailboat motor, a Bible study, wilderness first aid, preaching in a congregation, playing guitar at a campfire, or paddling a raft, Jacob always gives 110% to everything he does. We thank and praise God for the gifts Jacob has brought to the ministry of FLBC. Words cannot describe how much you are loved, admired, and appreciated by the FLBC community. Join us at the Annual Meeting on October 9th to thank Jacob!

# Thank you, Jacob!

