

SUMMER MINISTRY!

Opportunities for ALL AGES

Michigan Service Trip

Current 9-12th graders will travel to Detroit, Michigan to work with [Service Learning Camps](#), volunteering at local agencies to meet needs in the community around issues such as poverty and hunger. Our annual service trip is one of the BEST ways to build relationships, grow closer as a group, learn about important issues, and make a difference in the world!

An Informational Meeting for parents and youth takes place on Sunday, February 6, 11:30am on Zoom. The Zoom link will be in the weekly eNews.

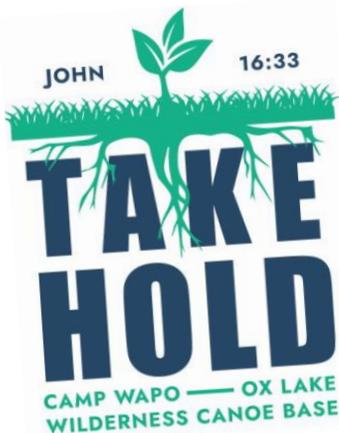
A non-refundable \$50 deposit is due by Sunday, March 6. Dates of the required monthly preparation meetings for participants will be discussed at the info meeting.



Trip Dates: June 17-25

Estimated Cost: Will be discussed at the info meeting.

Wapo, Ox & Wilderness: Take Hold



"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take hold! I have conquered the world." John 16:33.

This summer at Wapo, Ox & Wilderness, we will learn to **Take Hold!** Our campers will discover that God is with us in times of trouble, and that Jesus gives us peace. We'll practice listening for what Jesus says to us. We'll learn to take hold, make our roots grow deep into the good soil in which we are planted, and when we find ourselves on rocky soil, cling to God's promises.

This year, registration will be a two-step process:

1. Sign up [HERE](#) for the camps you or your children will attend.
2. Register online using the links provided below for Wapo & Ox, and the link provided by Deacon Erica Larson once you have signed up and paid your deposit for Wilderness.

Wapo, Ox & Wilderness can also work with those who have special needs or disabilities so that all people have access to camping opportunities! Payments are non-refundable and non-transferable. You can find packing information, camp traditions, additional camping options, and more at [Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp](#) [» Places of Grace Forming People of Faith](#)

Transportation and final payment information will be sent out at a later date.

Wapo One Day, 9am-3pm, August 3

Designed for those who have completed 1st-4th grade who may not be ready for an overnight experience. Campers enjoy crafts, devotions, music, water activities, games and treats.

Cost: \$45

Register: <http://lwlbc.com/oneday-aug3>

Seeds Weekend, July 29-31

Campers currently in grades 1-3 will be in cabins with other LNL campers and experience music, Bible study, campfires, crafts, water activities and games. Registration is 3-4:30pm. Seeds campers can ride together, departing from LNL at 1:30pm. Families are invited to closing worship at 12pm on Sunday. If you also have children who will participate in Youth Camp, you can spend time in Amery before returning to camp for registration that afternoon.

Cost: \$225 (\$100 deposit)

Register: <http://lwlbc.com/lakenokomis>



Youth Camp, July 31-August 5

Campers currently in grades 4-8 are divided into cabin groups with other LNL youth. The week includes Bible study, chapel, cabin activities, free time, water activities, field games and campfire. Registration is from 3-4:30pm on Sunday, with closing worship at 12pm on Friday. LNL will help arrange group transportation with parent drivers, but families are welcome to drive their own children to camp and/or attend closing worship. We'll take a group picture together after closing worship!

Fishing Club: For an additional fee, campers can spend time fishing on Monday – Thursday. Learn more [HERE](#). Space is limited, so register early!

Cost: \$545 (\$100 deposit)

Register: <http://lwlbc.com/lakenokomis>

Senior High Camp: Ox Lake Roots, July 31-August 5

Campers in grades 9-12 will love Ox Lake Roots, where they'll build community and experience worship, Bible study, prayer practices, canteen, chapel, laser tag, games and a ropes challenge course. Registration is from 3-4:30pm on Sunday at Ox Lake, with closing worship at 11am on Friday at Ox Lake. We invite them to head to Wapo for closing worship at 12pm, after which we'll take a group shot of all of our campers. LNL will help arrange group transportation with parent drivers, but families are welcome to drive their own children to camp and/or attend closing worship.

Cost: \$545 (\$100 deposit)

Register: <http://lwlbc.com/lakenokomis>

Those interested in developing leadership skills by working with younger campers can apply for the **Servant Leadership Program**, which is limited to seven campers each week and is ideal for those demonstrating maturity, commitment and joy in working with children. An application and references are required for admission. Use this link to apply: [Servant Leadership Program Application](#)

Family Camp

If you want the whole family to camp together, check out details on the Wapo website and register! Perhaps talk with other families and get a group to go together! You can learn more here: [Wapo Family Weekends \(All Ages\) » Lake Wapogasset Lutheran Bible Camp](#)

Boundary Waters Canoe Trip, July 17-22

Current 6th-12th graders and adults are organized into groups of up to 9 people to spend a week experiencing a transformative canoe journey through the Boundary Waters with an experienced guide and all the necessary supplies. You'll stay at Wilderness Canoe Base on Sunday night, and then head out on trail for the rest of the week. Immersed in God's creation, with time for reflection and solitude, you'll paddle, portage, build community, and gain valuable leadership skills.

People of all ages also have the option of staying at Wilderness Canoe Base for Family Camp. Contact Deacon Erica Larson for details about this option.



While the deadline is March 6, you are encouraged to sign up and pay your deposit as soon as possible so that we can secure Boundary Waters Permits, which are limited this year.

Cost: \$545 (\$100 deposit)

Register: A registration link will be sent once you sign up and pay your \$100 deposit.

Boundary Waters campers will meet in the church parking lot at 6:15am on July 10 to load vehicles and caravan together to Wilderness Canoe Base.

Financial Commitments

While the transformation that takes place at camp or on a service trip is priceless, there is a cost associated with participation. Camps and service trips can cost anywhere from \$45-\$800 depending on the experience. Our goal is for everyone to be able to participate in summer opportunities! This takes a commitment from families *and* our congregation. Here's what that looks like at LNL:

Congregational Commitment = 1/3 of cost: LNL is committed to providing camperships and making summer experiences possible for ALL! Thus, 1/3 of the cost of trips for 4th graders – adults who are actively involved at LNL is covered directly through our budget.

Fundraising Commitment = 1/3 of cost: The expectation is that all 4th grade – adult participants will join in fundraising efforts and that parents/guardians will contribute their time as well. In addition to the financial benefit, fundraisers can be great community builders!

Family Commitment = 1/3 of cost: It's important for participants to have some ownership in being a camper or servant, so our hope is that families will contribute to the cost. LNL, Wapo Bible Camp, and Wilderness Canoe Base also have need-based scholarships available if additional assistance is needed. **Contact Erica Larson 3-4 weeks prior to the trip to discuss scholarship options.**

Upcoming Fundraiser:

We'll be repeating last year's Summer Trip Fundraiser, where donors can choose a dollar amount to contribute and help us reach our goal. Look for more information in our eNews this spring.

Children who are younger than 3rd grade do not typically receive camperships or participate in fundraisers because the cost of their trips is minimal compared to other experiences, but scholarships are available.

If you have questions about registration or financial commitments, don't hesitate to contact Deacon Erica Larson at 612-729-2323 or elarson@lakenokomis.org.

Lake Nokomis Lutheran Church wants you to fully enjoy a summer of fun at camp or on a service trip. Thanks for letting us partner with you to make that happen. Now, get your flip flops and Coppertone ready because summer is on its way!