



FALL NEWSLETTER 2025

Dear Luther Point Bible Camp Community,

After nine incredible years serving as Executive Director of Luther Point Bible Camp, the time has come for me to say goodbye and step into a new chapter.

This has not been an easy letter to write, because this place and this community have meant so much to me. Luther Point has never been just a job, it has been a calling, a ministry, and a home. Over the past nine years, I have witnessed firsthand the transformative power of camp: campers encountering Christ in new and personal ways, staff growing into strong leaders, and a faithful community that consistently shows up with prayer, support, and generosity.

I leave this role filled with deep gratitude—for the mission of this place, for the friendships forged, and for all the shared laughter, worship, and growth. I've been blessed to work alongside an incredible team of staff, board members, volunteers, and supporters. You are the heart of Luther Point, and I have no doubt the camp will continue to thrive and evolve in God's perfect timing.

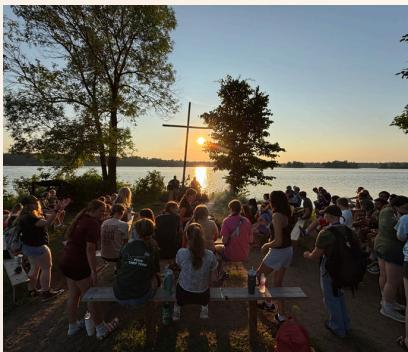
As I take this next step in my journey, I carry with me countless memories, stories, and the faith that has been strengthened through this ministry. My prayer for Luther Point is that it remains a sacred space where people of all ages come to know God's love more fully, and where lives continue to be changed by grace.

Thank you—from the bottom of my heart—for allowing me to serve. It has been one of the greatest honors of my life.

God's Peace

Sam Campeau
Executive Director (2017–2025)
Luther Point Bible Camp

Summer Recap



Our theme this past summer was God's Word Comes Near in Trusting, Blessing, Listening, Serving and Following. Camper's got to learn about trusting in God's word, how God's word can be a blessing to us, how to listen to God's Word, how to use acts of service to share God's word and how to take everything they learned during the week and follow God's word outside of camp! Campers learned a theme chant with actions during the week, for them to help remember what each day's theme was. Ask your camper if they remember the Theme Chant...if they need a little reminder it starts with: God's Word Comes Near in Trusting....(find a friend to lean on and cross your arms).

We had an amazing summer staff of around 20+ including some past staff that came back to help out for a week or two! We also had a wonderful international counselor from Zimbabwe through the ELCA International Camp Counselor Program. This is the third year in a row of us participating in this program and each year it has been such a blessing.

Our summer was hot and rainy but neither stopped us from having a wonderful summer, with many great memories made, new friendships formed, old friendships growing stronger, faith growing deeper and so much more.

Carissa Ditlefson
Program Director

Fall Day at Camp

1st - 5th Graders
October 18th
9:00am - 5:00pm

Our theme for Saturday is going to be focusing on preparing for winter, campers will learn about what we do with our garden at camp and our new addition of chickens. We will study the story of Elijah and the Widow from 1 Kings 17 and connect it back to the hands on activities we have planned with the garden, chickens, and more!

Register at lutherpoint.campbrainregistration.com

THEME:

**God Promises
to Provide:
Learning through
Creation**





Day Camp

TENTATIVE DATES FOR DAY CAMP 2026:
WEEKS OF JUNE 7, 14, AND AUG 9, 16.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE DATES,
PLEASE REACH OUT AND WE WILL PUT YOUR NAMES ON THE
RESERVATION LIST IN THE ORDER THAT THEY COME IN.

WE WILL THEN REACH OUT WITH THE CONTRACT INFORMATION
IN THE ORDER THE REQUESTS WERE RECEIVED TO SECURE YOUR
SPOTS.

TO GET ON THE DAY CAMP LIST, YOUR RESPONSE IS NEEDED BY
DECEMBER 15, 2025.

Happy Fall! The colors are starting to pop out here at Luther Point. The chickens are enjoying the cooler weather and getting to forage around in the fallen leaves. There is change in the air. Change brings many feelings: excitement, fear, curiosity, apprehension. All are valid.

Along with change comes growth. We grow as we experience new things. This past summer, we experienced some new things in our camp program. We added chickens and how to care for them. Campers got the opportunity to plan and lead worship services. Our congregations got the opportunity to participate in a Bible Study based on our camp program. Families got to take home devotionals that connected with the lessons their kids learned and continued the conversations in their families. All of these were changes to how Luther Point has done things in the recent past. From these changes, we have learned and grown, and they will push us to grow into the future God is calling us to together.

With the change in leadership, there will be more changes that will push us and lead us to grow, but there will also be things that stay the same. I have been dwelling in God's Word from the book of Isaiah chapter 43; *But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are mine.*² *When you pass through the waters, I will be with you, and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.*¹⁹ *I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth; do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.*

I take comfort in God's Word for reminding me that change will happen, but God has been and always will be the constant. God is the one who has been leading Luther Point Bible Camp for the past 76 years, and the Holy Spirit will continue to inspire and lead Luther Point into the next 75 years. I give thanks for our partnership in this ministry and look forward to the ways the Holy Spirit will guide us into the future together.

With Faith and Thanksgiving,
Rev. Marilyn Crossfield
Associate Director



Mark Your Calendars

Advent Cookie Exchange

December 6, 2025

Come to camp and bake and decorate cookies to take home! Come with stories to share about your must-make holiday cookie and why it's important to you. We will kick off the Advent season making cookies and sharing stories of traditions that are important to you. You will go home with cookies to enjoy for the holiday season and ways to live into the Advent season.

Hosting a trunk or treat?

Luther Point would love to celebrate with you!

Tell us where and when, and we will bring our trunk and treats!



Annual Meeting

November 16th, 2025
2:00pm Meeting

In an effort to improve communication with our member congregations, we are moving our annual meeting to November instead of its traditional time in February.

This will allow us to conduct the business of Luther Point before the majority of our churches hold their annual meeting, and allow us to get upcoming information to you in a timely manner.



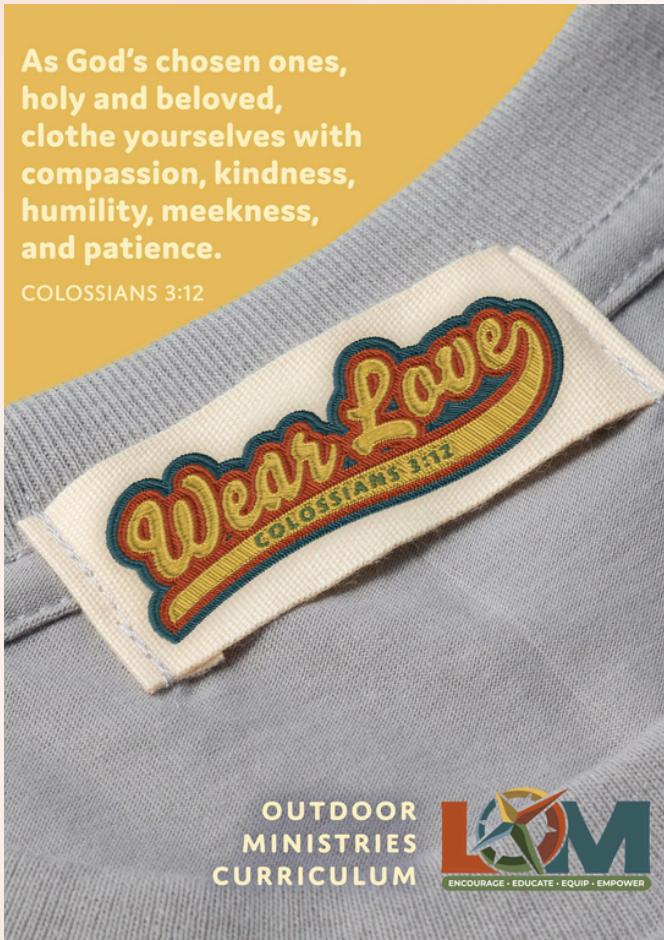
6th - 12th Grade Winter Camp

2026

Save the date
February 6-8



Summer 2026 Theme



"So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline. Be even-tempered, content with second place, quick to forgive an offense. Forgive as quickly and completely as the Master forgave you. And regardless of what else you put on, wear love. It's your basic, all-purpose garment. Never be without it."

-Colossians 3:12-14
(The Message Bible)

**REGISTRATION OPENS
DECEMBER 1ST**

2025 Donations

SILENT AUCTION: \$1,340
LIVE AUCTION: \$1,430
STORE: \$1,090
CANTEEN: \$261
DONATIONS: \$4,725
TOTAL: 8,846

Thank you to
all who
joined us for
our 2025
Summer
Celebration!



**2026 Summer Celebration
Sunday,
August 9, 2026**

Save the date to celebrate 77 years of
ministry at Luther Point!

