

Lutheran Youth Ministries

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Dear Camper,

We're happy to welcome you for a week of Christian fellowship, fun, and excitement. Staff has prepared a special program for this year, and we are eager to welcome you in person Sunday, July 26. Registration Sunday is from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. It is important that you arrive between 2:00pm and 3:00pm. Campers leave Friday at 2:00pm but not until after we pitch in to clean up the camp. Most campers do not get much sleep on the last night at camp. We recommend that adults drive campers' home after the week of camp. Please arrange to arrive and leave as close as possible to these times, if this is a problem let us know in advance.

Remember to bring the following to camp. **There will be a themed meal with encouraged attire. We will be dressing for a particular decade. Incoming Freshman: 1990's or 2000's Incoming Sophomores: 1950's or 1960's, Incoming Juniors: 1920's or 1930's Incoming Seniors: 1970's or 1980's and Graduated Seniors get to decide their favorite decade.** This year you may bring a folding lawn chair (optional) and a refillable water bottle. **Your name should be affixed to these items.** Bible, flashlight with good batteries, bug spray, lots of casual clothes, **Recreation committee is asking that you bring an outfit that you don't mind getting wet or dirty.** Make sure clothing is appropriate attire for a church youth camp. Shorts of an appropriate length and covers the entire buttocks. No shorts shall be pulled up too high. Dressier outfit if you want for our worship service (remember this is camp and it could get a little dirty), swimsuits, towels, and toiletries. Camp provides cots and mattresses, but you must bring your own sleeping bag, sheets, blankets, and pillow.

Please note we are not responsible for lost or broken property. We suggest you do not bring valuables with you. **Cell phones are allowed but use is regulated.** This is camp, and part of the experience is getting away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life. Use of cell phone as a camera is allowed. Permission to use cell phone for any other use must be approved by camp staff. Snacks and soda are available, so you'll want to bring some spending money. Sealable containers, for snacks to be kept in cabins is suggested. Soda should be bought through the camp store. Ice chests or similar items are not allowed due to limited space in cabins. Your copy of camp rules is on the back of this letter. Make sure you are familiar with them before camp.

Please have your parents/guardian keep the following phone number handy in case they need to contact us. Phone number for emergency use only. (618) 558-8668 or (618) 670-8157.

When you register on Sunday, camper must have the emergency/medical form, properly filled out and **NOTARIZED**, also **include photocopy of insurance card both front and back.** **We will NOT be able to notarize forms at camp.** Most banks will be able to notarize forms. **Failure to comply will result in the camper not being able to stay at camp.**

Please refer to our website (Lymcamp.org) regularly prior to camp for additional updates or announcements. Directions to camp. Traveling north from Wentzville on state route 61 take the MO-47 exit toward Troy/Winfield. Turn right onto MO-47 N/State. In three miles turn left onto MO State Hwy 147 then follow the Orange colored Lutheran Youth Ministries Signs to the camp. For additional information please contact us before Friday, July 24, 2026.

Yours in Christ,

Bob Milkert &
2026 LYM Staff

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LYM Camp Commandments

- I Inform the camp manager if you need to leave camp anytime during the week.
- II Cars are off limits during camp, except for staff use for camp business. Cars will be parked in designated areas for the week.
- III Bullying will not be tolerated and can result in the offending person being sent home. Everyone and their possessions are to be respected. Any personal property damaged or destroyed must be paid for. This includes state property. We reserve the right, with due cause, to inspect any luggage, bags, packages, or coolers brought into camp for the safety of our campers and staff.
- IV If you are currently taking any medications or prescription drugs, inform the nurse at registration. For insurance reasons all medications will be administered by the camp nurse. **Medications are to be in the original container with directions for dosage clearly legible on label.**
- V The State of Missouri does not permit fireworks in the park. No fireworks at camp. Missouri Department of Natural Resources & CDC guidelines will be enforced.
- VI Campers will not possess or partake of any alcoholic beverages or any drugs other than those prescribed by their physician and/or administered by the nurse in accordance with Missouri state law and LYM camp policy. **Campers violating these rules, your parents will be called and will result in your being sent home.** There will be no smoking in any buildings, or during any activity. Smoking is allowed only in designated areas and only by those of age to smoke.
- VII Curfew will be observed by all campers.
- VIII Campers & staff cabins are off limits to all other campers. We respect your right to privacy, safety, respect of personal property, and feelings. Please observe others cabins as off limits. The food preparation area in the dining hall is also off limits unless you are on KP or seeing the camp nurse.
- IX Camp activities are an important part of camp. They are planned for your enjoyment and benefit. If you find it necessary, to be late to an activity consult with a counselor or staff member prior to the activity.
- X Stereo, sound & office equipment in dining or recreation hall are also off limits. Cell phone use will be regulated. Other than use as a camera, cell phones may not be used for texting, calling friends or for use of other apps unless approved by a member of staff.