



Congregational Day Visit *

at Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp

2023 Information and Pricing *NEW PROGRAM

WHAT IS A CONGREGATIONAL DAY VISIT?

Day Visits are intergenerational experiences where people of all ages from your congregation and community come to Fortune Lake for one day. They are perfect for churches looking to build community amongst their people, enjoy an outdoor ministry experience, or get a taste of life at camp. They can serve as stand alone experiences or as part of a Congregational Day Camp week.

The purpose of Day Visit is to provide your congregation with a quality Christian experience for people of all ages in your community. Adults who attend will be encouraged to fully participate in all activities in an effort to build relationships between youth and adults. Both camps and congregations have a dynamic impact on faith development. A Day Visit supplements your year-round Christian education program and the faith development of your congregation's families and children with fun, interactive, outdoor activities.

DAY VISIT GROUPS

Day Visits are designed to be inclusive of people of all ages but can be especially impactful for youth who have completed Kindergarten and up as well as trusted adults.

Group Size: A minimum of 12 people is recommended for a Day Visit. Our staff team, with assistance from congregational adults, can accommodate up to 40 participants.

Infants/Toddlers/Preschoolers: Day Visits are designed for people of all ages, but children under the age of 5 must be accompanied by a guardian who is prepared to participate in the appropriate programming along with the child. Please let the Fortune Lake staff know if your group will include families with children under 5.

SCHEDULING

2023 available dates:

- Tuesday, June 20
- Wednesday, June 21
- Thursday, June 22
- Tuesday, June 27
- Wednesday, June 28
- Thursday, June 29
- Tuesday, July 25
- Wednesday, July 26
- Thursday, July 27
- Tuesday, August 1
- Wednesday, August 2
- Tuesday, August 8

Arrival & Departure: Your congregation will need to provide transportation to and from Fortune Lake. Plan to arrive at Fortune Lake around 10 am CT. Programming will conclude in time for a 3 pm CT departure.

Daily Schedule: Participants can expect to participate in the following activities, which will be scheduled and facilitated by the camp staff: interactive Bible study, beach time, group games, and arts-and-crafts. A picnic lunch and an afternoon snack will be provided.

DAY VISIT PRICING 2023

- **\$30/person** when occurring as a stand alone experience. \$150 deposit will hold the date.
- **\$14/person** when occurring as part of a Congregational Day Camp experience. No additional deposit is required.
- Includes all programming, supplies, meals, and a snack

WHAT NEXT?

Identify a Congregation Coordinator - Invite someone to be responsible for booking the Day Visit, fill out appropriate paperwork, work in conjunction with FLLC to make the necessary arrangements, and to serve as a point person between your congregation and camp, including on the day of the visit.

Select Dates and Make Reservation - Dates will be filled on a first come first serve basis beginning on January 3. Consider if the Day Visit will occur in conjunction with Day Camp or on its own, as this will influence the dates available to you. Choose your top three dates and complete the Congregational Day Visit Contact Information Form and submit it with deposit.

Adults - Trusted, available adults are a vital part of this experience. The long-term impact on your congregational community will depend upon the engagement of the adults involved. We ask that each congregation have a minimum of a 1:10 adult to camper ratio, and that adults come prepared to engage in camp activities with the youth.

Publicity - Spread the word about the Day Visit in your congregation/community. Invite youth and adults to participate. Print posters, flyers, and/or announcements in church bulletins and newsletters. Engage with local community communication sources. Invite friends, neighbors, and teammates. Remember that personal invitations always work best!

Registration Forms - Registration forms will be provided by Fortune Lake. Every participant will be required to submit a completed registration form to participate in the visit. Final numbers and dietary restrictions will need to be submitted to Fortune Lake one week prior to the visit, so we suggest congregations set an internal deadline of two weeks prior to your visit.

What to Bring - The group should come prepared to be outdoors all day. All necessary supplies for activities will be provided by Fortune Lake. Participants should bring swimsuits, towels, sturdy shoes, sunscreen, a water bottle, raingear, layered clothing and bug spray. Electronic devices and valuables should stay at home.

Meals - Lunch will be provided, served picnic-style outdoors. An afternoon snack will also be served. Participants with dietary restrictions will be asked to provide that information on the registration form.

Feedback - This is a new program for Fortune Lake as we look to further enhance our partnership with congregations. We value your feedback and welcome further conversations about how it can best work for you. Please contact our staff to discuss additional ideas or questions.