



**“Plant your roots in Christ and let God be the foundation for your life. Be strong in your faith, just as you were taught. And be grateful.”  
-Colossians 2:7**

# Welcome

Dear Campers, Parents, & Participants,

We are excited to welcome you to one of our Green Lake Lutheran Ministries sites this summer—and to share the mission of GLLM in action. It is our hope that this information will assure you that we are working hard to provide a safe, vibrant, and fun time for all who participate in a GLLM program this summer. We know it’s a lot of information so thank you for taking the time to read through so we can all have a great summer.

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If you still have questions, more detailed information can be found at [gllm.org/frequently-asked-questions](http://gllm.org/frequently-asked-questions). You are also welcome to contact us at [camp@gllm.org](mailto:camp@gllm.org) or 320-796-2181.

*GLLM Program Team*

# Check In and Pick Up Times

We are able to accommodate those who have minor scheduling conflicts at Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp and Green Lake Bible Camp. Please contact our Registration and Reservation Manager Monday-Thursday at 320-796-2181 or [camp@gllm.org](mailto:camp@gllm.org) to discuss any late arrivals, early pick-ups, or other scheduling conflicts. For last minute changes, call Shores of St. Andrew Bible Camp directly at 320-354-2961. All early departures do require the details to be submitted in writing via email or by completing a short form available at registration.

## Shores of St. Andrew

19080 16th St. NE, New London, MN 56273

**Youth Camps: Half Blast, Andy's Gang, Trailblazers, Stargazers, Fishing Camp, Community Guides**

**Check In:** Sunday check in for all youth programs at Shores of St. Andrews is from 2:00-4:00 p.m.

**Pick Up:** Half Blast Campers will have a closing worship at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday in Marble Chapel. Family and friends are invited for worship. Campers can be checked-out with their counselor following the worship.

All other Shores of St. Andrews programs end following our Thursday Campapalooza! Parents are welcome to arrive between 4:00-6:00 p.m., and participate in any or all of the following activities:

4:00 p.m. — games and camp activities

4:45 p.m. — picnic meal (family and friends are invited to join your camper's cabin group for dinner)

5:30 p.m. — closing worship

Campers should be checked out with their counselor before leaving the site.

**Please RSVP for Campapalooza at registration on Sunday or phone at 320-796-2181 by Tuesday of the program week.**

## Camp House

1411 Camp House Road, Brimson, MN 55602

**Up North Programs: Confirmation, Fishing Camp, High School, and Family Camp**

**Check In:** Check in for all Camp House youth programs will be Sunday from 11:30-12:15 in the chapel parking lot at Green Lake Bible Camp.

Check in for Family Camp will be at Camp House on Sunday from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

**Pick Up:** Thursday pick-up for Camp House youth programs will be Thursday at 5:00 p.m. at Green Lake Bible Camp. Any travel delays will be communicated via text/email to the primary phone/email for your camper.

Family Camp ends after lunch on Thursday.

# Green Lake Bible Camp

9916 Lake Ave. South, Spicer, MN 56288  
Family Camps, Camp Joy

**Check In:** Family Camp Check in begins at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday at the Chrysalis House. Our first meal together will be at 5:30 p.m.

**Pick Up:** Departure is by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday. There will be a closing worship at 4:00pm and then a pack-out supper is available for you to grab and take with you on the road.

## Youth Camps at Shores of St. Andrew

### Arrival Check In Procedures at Shores

When you arrive at Shores of St. Andrews, you will be directed for parking by one of our staff. Then you will be directed to the first station to begin check in. Luggage should be left in your vehicle until you have finished check in. Please note that campers must accompany parents throughout the entire check in process.

#### Station – Check In

- Here your camper will receive a name tag and cabin assignment.
- We will check that all forms required for registration have been filled out. You can help your camper have a great start to their camp week by completing health forms and permission forms online, and by paying any balance due before you arrive on Sunday. You will be asked to complete any missing forms at the beginning of the check in procedure.
- Parents will fill out a form letting us know who will be picking up the camper(s) at the end of the week.
- RSVP to Campapalooza - You can also RSVP by phone before Tuesday end of day.

#### Station – Health Screening

- Here each camper will go through our Health Screening. General questions about campers current overall health and recent exposures to lice, communicable illness, and any major life events are asked to help us in caring for your camper throughout the week. Finally, campers will be asked if they have medication or if specific answers to previous questions warrant it, you will then be directed to the Health Aide Station. All other campers will go to Station 3.

#### Station – Health Aide

- Campers medication will be turned in at this time, including non-prescription, and over the counter items. Please remember that ALL medications need to be in their original containers. It is helpful if medication bottles are brought in a quart or gallon-sized resealable bag, labeled with the camper's name and dosage instructions. The Health Aide will ask about each medication, count to be sure an adequate amount is available, and follow up with any special instructions from parents.

- This is also the station where we hope conversations about significant life events of your camper(s) are shared. Care for the mind is just as important as care for the body in our community. Having a good understanding of things that might impact a camper's time at camp as they think about their home lives during the week, may help us to better connect and care for them.

### **Station – Canteen**

- Campers will now have the opportunity to turn in canteen money to be used at the camp store throughout the week. Bagged snacks, drinks, apparel, and trinkets are available one time each day during afternoon rotations. This is also a great time to set any money aside for your camper to donate to “Dime-a-Time” (see below for more information). Campers typically spend between \$10-30 at the canteen during the week. (Please note, we are unable to take credit cards for canteen money at this time)

### **Station – Meet your Counselors!**

- Finally, a staff member will assist you and your camper(s) in connecting with their counselor. You will then bring your luggage to their cabin's staging area, where you can say your goodbyes until the end of the week. Your camper's counselor will take extra care to make sure they get settled in and comfortable in the cabin after all of the cabin mates have arrived.

## **Thursday Pick up and Campapalooza at Shores**

Please refer to the pick-up schedule above.

We are excited to invite the entire family out to camp for a celebration we've named Campapalooza! This event starts at 4:00 p.m. each Thursday with activity rotations, includes dinner which starts at 4:45 p.m. and ends with a closing worship and sendoff by 6:00 p.m. Our staff will be prepared to begin checking families in at 4:00 p.m. by the Marble Chapel and final checkout will happen in the same place immediately following worship. Please RSVP at check in on Sunday or phone by Tuesday end of day. We will do our best to provide for dietary needs, please let us know when you RSVP how we can best serve you.

## **Health Care at Youth Camps**

### ***Applies to Youth Camps at Shores of St. Andrew and Camp House***

As always, the safety and care of your camper during the camp week is our top priority. We will take care of daily medication administration, care for the minor bumps and scrapes that happen when kids are playing, and other common health situations. If any concerns come up during the week, we will communicate with you on an as needed basis. Please encourage your camper to be honest and upfront if they are not feeling well.

All GLLM camps and programs follow CDC and county protocols for any disease, virus, or other concerns listed as top priority on the CDC or county websites. We strive to provide a safe and healthy environment through clean community and cabin spaces, good hygiene practices, and an active program. Should any concerns arise, our staff are trained in proper procedure to mitigate, isolate, and care for campers in their care.

Reminder: all medications must be brought to camp in their original containers/packaging, and will be turned in during the registration process. Exceptions are made for emergency Epi-pens and inhalers, though it is important that our health care staff know your camper has these items.

Food allergies and restrictions should be shared with us in advance to allow our food service staff the opportunity to plan for their needs. Please be sure this information has been noted on their health form prior to arrival, and we invite you to talk directly with our food service staff during registration as needed and available. All of our sites are peanut free in the summer. We will not serve any food or have any food on-site that contains peanuts. However, we may have food that was processed in a plant that contains peanuts. We ask that all participants in any of our camps refrain from bringing snacks that contain peanuts.

For some campers away from home for the first time or those experienced campers, homesickness can impact their experience at camp. We do our best to provide many of the simple comforts of home while also encouraging full participation in the camp program. Our staff are trained in how to recognize homesickness and how to provide your camper with the best opportunity to ease the anxieties of being away from home. Most homesickness is 'cured' through the care of the counselor and through providing campers a safe and comfortable space. Most homesickness doesn't go on past the first day! We do not allow campers to call home. Assistant Program Directors and our Program Director are equipped with more tools and training to ease homesickness. The Program Director may call home in more extreme cases to work with parents on how to ease their campers homesickness. It is helpful for parents to talk with their campers prior to their week at camp about being away from home, how to feel comfortable and at ease at camp, and tips and tricks that may help them when homesickness creeps up. We all miss home at times, it helps to talk and work through these feelings before camp.

## Family Camp at GLBC

### Arrival Check In Procedures at GLBC

When you arrive at Green Lake Bible Camp, you will be directed for parking by one of our staff. Then you will be directed to Station 1 to begin check in. Luggage should be left in your vehicle until you have finished check in. Please note that campers must accompany parents throughout the entire check in process

#### Check In:

- Here your family will receive a name tag and room assignment.
- We will check that all forms required for registration have been filled out. You can help your family have a great start to their camp week by completing health forms and permission forms online, and by paying any balance due before you arrive on Sunday. You will be asked to complete any missing forms at the beginning of the check in procedure.

#### Find your rooms!

- A staff member will assist your family with your luggage and help you get settled in and comfortable in your assigned rooms.

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## Programs at Camp House

June in northern Minnesota can get quite cool in the evenings. Up North programs also explore areas along Lake Superior, where the temperature can be significantly lower than at camp. Consider packing a heavier sweatshirt and pair of sweatpants, and/or a jacket for those cooler days and nights. (Sweatshirts and sweatpants are also available for purchase in the Camp House canteen!)

## Camper Mail

Please consider mailing your camper's mail a week early to ensure we receive it while your camper is on site. You may also drop it off at registration. Any mail that arrives after the camper's departure will be forwarded to the camper's address on file. Please do not send candy or other food items. Make sure to include the camper's name and the program/week of camp on the envelope.

Camper Name  
Program/Week  
**Shores of St. Andrew  
Bible Camp**  
19080 16th Street NE  
New London, MN 56273

Camper Name  
Program  
**Green Lake Bible Camp**  
9916 Lake Avenue S  
Spicer, MN 56288

Camper Name  
Program  
**Camp House**  
1411 Camp House Road  
Brimson, MN 56602

# Summer Staff

Our summer staff is made up of young adults who are excited to live out their faith at camp this summer. All staff undergo a background check and screening process. In addition, all staff go through 2 weeks of training, preparing them for all aspects of camp, including safety protocols. We take your camper's safety very seriously.

GLLM also welcomes staff from outside of the United States! Each summer we hire multiple young adults from various countries throughout God's world. We believe campers should see as full a picture of who God's community is, and utilizing the gifts of those from the wider kingdom of God helps us live into this belief. Campers will interact with and share in community with those whom they may have never had the opportunity outside of the camp program.

# Canteen and Dime-A-Time

The camp store, known as the canteen, has a variety of snacks, treats, and non-caffeinated beverages, as well as camp swag. Between snacks and swag items, campers typically spend between \$10-30 at the canteen during the week. If you'd like to put money in your camper's account, please put cash or check (written to GLLM) in an envelope labeled with the camper's name. We will enter it into a spreadsheet for the week so no cash is being exchanged. Remaining money will be returned to you at the end of the week in an envelope. The online canteen can be found here at [gllm.org/online-canteen.html](http://gllm.org/online-canteen.html).

"Dime-a-Time" is a GLLM canteen tradition! Each year we choose a non-profit or other good cause and allow our campers to donate and raise money for it. Campers can choose to donate up to \$1 each time they visit the canteen. As incentive, counselors do crazy and fun things as the campers reach certain benchmarks. In previous years, our campers have raised money for the ELCA Malaria Campaign, New London's The Link, and the ELCA's Young Adults in Global Mission Program.

This year we are supporting The Gathering of Southeast Wisconsin. The Mission of The Gathering is to provide meals and associated services to those who would otherwise go hungry or without. Located in Milwaukee, The Gathering is a volunteer-driven organization that provides 10-11 free meals weekly out of multiple locations. The Gathering also offers services associated with ending hunger and homelessness and works to educate the city of Milwaukee on hunger issues. The Gathering of Southeast Wisconsin is a volunteer location for our Serve Boldly program. Serve Boldly provides youth with the opportunity to accompany and serve their neighbor while deepening an understanding of God's presence in their lives.

# Packing List

Remember to label all items!

- Bible
- Pillow
- Sleeping Bag or fitted twin sheet set & blanket
- Shirts, pants, shorts
- Socks
- Underwear
- Running shoes
- Water shoes (especially at Green Lake)
- Sandals (flip flops are acceptable for waterfront, showers, and cabin time)
- Jacket or sweatshirt
- Pajamas
- Functional swimwear
- Beach towel
- Bath towel
- Wash cloth
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Soap
- Comb or hairbrush
- Bathroom caddy for transport/storage
- Flashlight/headlamp with batteries
- Sunscreen
- Bug spray
- Water bottle
- Small bag or backpack to carry things
- Canteen money in a labeled envelope (Shores of St. Andrews)
- Prescription medications in original container
- Completed Health Form (if not completed online)
- Fan (optional)
- Book to read at night (optional)
- Notebook and pen (optional)

Please leave the following items at home: Cell phone\*, iPod, game systems, smart devices, knives, non-prescription medications, inappropriate clothing, food, candy, and snacks. Your child's safety and welfare are important to us. We have a zero tolerance policy for controlled substances or firearms/weapons.

\*Cell phones are allowed for diabetic monitoring. Camp House campers may bring their phone for use on the ride up and back from Camp House. GLLM staff will collect phones during the camp week and keep them secure.