



Sugar Creek Bible Camp Annual Meeting

February 18, 2024 2 PM

Retreat Center - Shalom Room

Holy Trinity, Wholly Loved!

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

- Revelation 22:13

2023 Summer Camp Theme



**"Where all generations encounter Christ,
experience God's grace, and are empowered
by the Holy Spirit to go forth in faith!"**

Christ-Centered . . . Spirit Led . . . Bible Fed . . . Sugar Creek

Sugar Creek Bible Camp

Board of Directors

The success of every organization is due, in large part, to its leadership. Sugar Creek Bible Camp is blessed with a fine Board of Directors who listen to needs, establish policy, manage the affairs of the camp corporation, dream, and plan for the future of the ministry with the Holy Spirit's guidance.

Thank you to our board members for their openness, devotion, willingness to serve in this mission for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

2023 Board Members

Addison Arndt, St. Paul's LC - Wilton
Rev. Harald Bringsjord, Good Shepherd LC - La Crosse
Al Bunders, St. Peters Evangelical LC - Prairie Du Chien
Lindsay Colwell, St. John LC - Kasson, MN
Bryce Griffin, Middle Coon Valley LC - Chaseburg
Anita Jensen, Trinity - Sparta
Ed Johnson, Evangelical LC - Black River Falls
Rev. Lori Kleppe, Immanuel LC - Viroqua
Jessica Malpica, English LC - La Crosse
Stacey Markuson, Trinity - Sparta
Dr. Ann Marty, Immanuel LC - Viroqua
Rev. Steve Meyer, Immanuel LC - Caledonia, MN
Carla Stanton, First LC - Onalaska
Kristen Swedlund, Trinity LC - Madison
Rev. John Twiton, Evangelical LC - Mt. Horeb

2023 Year-Round Staff

Miranda Arelt - Barn Manager & Maintenance Asst.
Jody Bankes - Maintenance Director
Laurie Bertzyk - Housekeeping (Jan-June)
Sheila Champlin - PT Bookkeeper & Bus Tours
Deacon Stephanie Engel - Program Director
Abigail Faulk - Nonprofit Management Intern (June-Dec)
Greta Greif - Registrar & Communications Director
Aaron Hartley - PT Maintenance Asst.
Jesse Klosterboer - Executive Director
Wanda Reschke - Food Service Director
Sophie Sherry - Retreat Host and Hospitality Intern (Feb-May)

Summer Campers – Past 5 Years

| | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>2021</u> | <u>2022</u> | <u>2023</u> |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Residential Camp | 753 | * | 621 | 624 | 541 |
| Family Camp | 188 | 242 | 187 | 222 | 154 |
| Day Camp | (21) 700 | (9) virtual | * | (2) 35 | * |
| Explorers | 219 | * | 76 | 82 | 143 |

Ministry Impact: 2023 Numbers

Experiences at Sugar Creek Bible Camp make a *lasting* difference for kids, families, and churches. All programs focus on skills for faith and life in ways that strengthen connections with congregations through fun, Christ-centered adventures. Today's world has big new challenges for youth, but God answers in an even bigger way at Bible camp – thanks to your generous giving. YOU can celebrate your part in the amazing “God stories” of this past year that these numbers represent:



Summer Bible Camp

17 Unique Summer Camp Programs for grades K-12, and families

541 Overnight Summer Campers + **143** 1-day “Explorers” + **154 Family Campers!**

26 Youth Ministry Summer Staff + **43 professional leaders volunteering** (pastors, youth leaders, nurses, doctors, & builders) at summer Bible camp

Special Programs led by Sugar Creek

- **4** Weekend youth programs, fun faith-building events
- **4** Family Camp sessions with **47** families attending
- **22** Adult Programs & Events: craft retreats, bus trips, special events, and more
- **13** Full-Time Equivalent (F.T.E.) Youth & Family Ministry staff employed at Sugar Creek throughout 2023 providing Christian Education for & with your church!

Meaningful Retreats & Events

91 Retreats & Events at Sugar Creek in the “Off” season! (Sept.-May)

- **2,330** guests at **112 events** for Families, Churches, Hobbyists, & Businesses
- **111** guests at other **Christian Youth Retreats** at Sugar Creek
- **717** guests at multiple **Outdoor Education Days**
- **59** hard-working supporters at **2** Volunteer Weekend programs
- **50** special volunteer day events: Volunteer Tuesdays, Mass Mailing & more
- **4462** guest-nights and **7,774** guest-days hosted
- **51** of **52 Weeks** hosting groups and events onsite in lodges & cabins

All are Welcome at Bible Camp

324 Summer Bible Campers received financial aid from camp totaling **\$83,500**

+15 Summer Bible Campers received greater-need **Camperships** totaling **\$5,820**

Recent Sugar Creek staff currently enrolled at Lutheran Seminaries: **5**

Contact Hours of intentional Christian Education this year at camp: **50,734***

*conservative estimate

Thank you for YOUR ministry in this sacred valley

www.SugarCreekBibleCamp.org † 608-734-3113 † office@SgrCreek.org † ACA Accredited

Congregational Records 2023

| Congregation | 2023 Cong. & WELCA | Horse | Endowment Grant 2023 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Barneveld Lutheran | \$278.00 | | |
| Bells Coulee, Bangor | \$400.00 | | |
| Bethany, Esofea - Westby | | | |
| Bethany, Cashton | \$75.00 | | |
| Bethany, Mauston | | | |
| Bethany, New Lisbon | \$520.00 | | |
| Bethel, La Crosse | | | |
| Bethel/Bethany Viroqua | \$600.00 | | |
| Bethlehem Lutheran, Cobb | \$50.00 | | |
| Blanchardville Lutheran New Hope | \$890.00 | | |
| Brush Creek, Ontario | \$100.00 | | |
| Castle Rock, Montfort | \$750.00 | | |
| Chatfield Lutheran, MN | | | |
| Christ Lutheran, Arcadia | | | |
| Christ Lutheran, Lancaster | | | |
| Christ Lutheran, Monticello | | | |
| Christ Lutheran, Spring Green | \$100.00 | | |
| Christ Lutheran, Stoughton | | | |
| Coon Valley Lutheran | \$2,000.00 | | |
| De Soto Lutheran | \$666.00 | \$300.00 | |
| East Lemonweier, New Lisbon | | | |
| English Lutheran, La Crosse | \$2,000.00 | | \$ 2,000.00 |
| Ev. Lutheran, Black River Falls | | | |
| Fagernes Lutheran, Blair | | \$100.00 | |
| Fairview Lutheran, Avoca | | | |
| First Lutheran, Mc Gregor | | | |
| Faith, Black Hammer | | | |
| First English Lutheran, Pville | \$45.00 | | |
| First Lutheran, Blair | \$200.00 | | |
| First Lutheran, Lodi | | | |
| First Lutheran, Lone Rock | | | |
| First Lutheran, Onalaska | \$5,522.00 | | |
| Faith, Cuba City | | | |
| Fish Creek, Rockland | \$200.00 | | |
| Five Points, Blue River | \$25.00 | | |
| Fountain, Elroy | | | |
| Franklin, Viroqua | | | |
| Freeman Men's Group | \$50.00 | | |
| Freeman, Ferryville | \$619.00 | | |
| French Creek, Ettrick | \$2,100.00 | | |
| Gloria Dei, Tomah | | | |
| Good Shepherd, La Crosse | \$1,760.00 | | \$ 2,500.00 |
| Good Shepherd, Viroqua | \$3,180.00 | \$680.00 | |
| Grace Lutheran, Darlington | \$1,034.00 | | |
| Grace Lutheran, Dodgeville | \$1,545.00 | | |
| Grace Lutheran, Elroy | \$272.00 | | |
| Good Shepherd, Madison | | | |

Congregational Records 2023

| Congregation | 2023 Cong. & WELCA | Horse | Endowment Grant 2023 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Gift of Grace, Onalaska | | | |
| Halfway Creek, Holmen | | | |
| Hardies Creek, Ettrick | | | |
| Hollandale Lutheran | | | |
| Holmen Lutheran | \$5,335.00 | | |
| Hope Lutheran, Mineral Point | | | |
| Immanuel, Caledonia, MN | \$500.00 | | |
| Immanuel, Cashton | \$397.00 | | |
| Immanuel, Mt. Horeb | | | |
| Immanuel, Viroqua | \$1,730.00 | \$220.00 | |
| Journey Lutheran, Onalaska | \$736.00 | | |
| Kickapoo United, Soldiers Gr | \$600.00 | | |
| La Crosse Area Synod | \$343.00 | | |
| Lewis Valley, Mindoro | \$450.00 | | |
| Living Hope, Ettrick | | | |
| Lower Coon Valley | | | |
| Luther Memorial. Gays Mills | \$71.00 | | |
| Lutheran Church of Peace, P-vle | \$2,000.00 | | |
| Messiah Lutheran, Madison | | | |
| Middle Coon Valley | \$895.00 | | |
| Mindoro Lutheran | \$400.00 | | |
| Mt. Calvary, Trempealeau | | | |
| Mt. Horeb Evangelical | \$2,496.00 | | |
| Mt. Sterling Lutheran | \$120.00 | | |
| New Heights Parish, Blk Earth | | | |
| North Beaver Creek, Ettrick | \$500.00 | | |
| North Coon Prairie, Cashton | | \$200.00 | |
| New Hope Lutheran | \$890.00 | | |
| Norway Grove Lutheran | | | |
| Olivet. La Crosse | | | |
| Otter Creek, Highland | \$250.00 | | |
| Our Redeemer, La Crosse | \$180.00 | \$20.00 | |
| Our Saviors, La Crosse | \$1,333.00 | | |
| Our Saviors, Lansing, IA | | | |
| Our Saviors, Soldiers Grove | | | |
| Our Saviors, South Wayne | | | |
| Our Saviors, New Ulm, Mn | | | |
| Our Saviors, West Salem | \$5,427.00 | | |
| Our Saviors, Westby | | | |
| Peace, Tomah | \$640.00 | | |
| Peace, Cobb | | | |
| Peace, Readstown | \$125.00 | | |
| Peace, Ridgeway, Iowa | | | |
| Perry Lutheran, Mt. Horeb | \$500.00 | | |
| Portland Lutheran, Cashton | \$290.00 | | |
| Primrose, New Glarus | \$700.00 | | |
| Prince of Peace, La Crescent | \$2,174.00 | | |
| St. John's Kasson, MN | | | |
| St. John's, Alma | \$534.00 | | |

Congregational Records 2023

| Congregation | 2023 Cong. & WELCA | Horse | Endowment Grant 2023 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| St. John's, Avoca | | | |
| St. John's, Boscobel | \$1,650.00 | \$20.00 | |
| St. John's Reedsburg | | | |
| St. Peter, Tomah | | | |
| St. John's, North Freedom | \$500.00 | | |
| St. John's, Oregon | | | |
| St. John's, Prairie du Sac | | | |
| St. John's, Richland Center | \$475.00 | | |
| St. Lukes's Eitzen | | | |
| St. Martin's, Cross Plains | | | |
| St. Pauls, Pine Island, MN | | | |
| St. Pauls, Wauzeka | \$300.00 | | |
| St. Paul's, Wilton | | | |
| St. Peter's, Camp Douglas | \$58.00 | | |
| St. Peter's, Loganville | \$506.00 | \$80.00 | |
| St. Peters, Fennimore | \$200.00 | | |
| St Peter, Prairie du Chien | \$1,692.00 | | |
| St. Stephens, Camp Douglas | \$709.00 | | |
| Shepherd of Hills, New Glarus | \$65.00 | | |
| Skogdalen, Westby | | | |
| Sugar Creek Foundation | \$1,800.00 | | |
| Southwest Prairie, Viroqua | | | |
| Springdale, Mt Horeb | | | |
| St. Peter's Hillpoint | | | |
| Trinity, Cashton | | | |
| Trinity, Hustler | | | |
| Trinity, La Crosse | | | |
| Trinity, Sparta | \$4,332.00 | \$20.00 | |
| Utica Lutheran | \$550.00 | \$1,500.00 | |
| Vang Lutheran, Westby | \$500.00 | | |
| Vermont, Black Earth | \$300.00 | | |
| West Blue Mounds | \$100.00 | | |
| Westby Coon Prairie | \$1,665.00 | \$160.00 | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Wilmington, Caledonia | \$100.00 | | |
| Wiota, South Wayne | | | |
| West Koshkonong, Stoughton | \$1,000.00 | \$500.00 | |
| Zion, Galesville | \$794.00 | | |
| Zion, Viroqua | | | |
| Zion, Reedsburg | \$16.00 | | |
| Zion, Rock Springs | | | |
| Zion, Big Flats | \$25.00 | | |
| La Crosse Area Synod Women | \$800.00 | | |

PIONEER CLUB 2023

Pioneer Supporters contribute \$100+ annually. Thank you to ALL who contribute generously to sustain this crucial ministry!

Lifetime: \$10,000 or more, donated in a year to general operating funds

Mr. & Mrs. Wilbur Beach

Pastor Miranda & Jesse Klosterboer

Mr. & Mrs. Frank & Mary Weeks

Gold: \$1000 or more

Joan Allen

Linda Dahl

Pastors Eric & Ramie Bakken

Mr. & Mrs. Ed Eisermann

Charles Gustafson

Debra Houdek

Pastor Jim & Laurie Klosterboer

Pastor Miranda & Jesse Klosterboer

Mike & Cheryl McCormick

Don & Joan Moats

Dr. Ann & Tim Marty

Charles & Tiana Montgomery

Kate Moody

George Renner

Dick & Marge Peters

Pastor Dick & Barbara Sayther

Dr. Bob & Beth Smith

Pastor Jason & Carla Stanton

Elizabeth Twiton

Mary Tesdahl

Pastor Eric & Megan Thiele

Ray Weiss

Silver: \$500 or more

Justin & Kirstin Arndt

George & Judy Brockman

Mr. & Mrs. Ryan Champlin

Greg Clerkin

Fran Dieter

Dave & Julie DeHart

John & Vickie Howe

Dr. Randy & Marcia Hinrichs

Lorri & Ed Johnson

Peter Kirkegaard

Judy Langhus

Pastor Steve & Stacey Meyer

Mike & Karen Mahlkuch

Jennie Nelson

Dr. C.E. & Pat Mueller

Susan Kortness-Staples

Roger & Karen Swenson

Sugar Creek Foundation

Tim & Geri Zauche

Growth Giver: \$200-\$499

Pastor Jim & Lynn Arends

Pastor Dave & Ruth Assmus

Bruce Anderson

Mike & Marjorie Buncek

Pastor Harold Bringsjord

Greg & Beth Bonney

Suzanne Bartels

Sheila & Roger Champlin

John & Ardu Cleveland

Erik Dahl

Deacon Stephanie Engel

Donna Engel

Karen Ekern

Pastor Don & Elizabeth Fox

Jan Fink

Arne Fremstad

Edith Grunwald

Bob & Jodi Gonia

Pastor Don Glanzer

Pastor James & Deacon Karen Gerth

Bryce & Katie Griffen

Duane & Rubi Granger

Pastor Lucy & Ross Hardie

Pastor Joe & Brianna Iverson

Kyle Jaeger & Laura Mackey

Growth Giver: \$200-499

Jordan & Laura Lee

Johnsons One Stop

Aimee & Dan Lenth

Tom Krueger

Scot Lien

Duane & Laura Miller

Chris Mithelman

Keith Milner

Bob & Romaine Nelson

Erik Niemeier

Duane Olson

Pastor Mark Solyst

Dean & Jackie Saner

Pastor Kent & Lee Johnson

Pastor Mark & Sharon Jolivette

John & Sandra Schindler

Paul & Delores Swedlund

Gordon & Diane Stewart

Kathryn Schroeder

Cathy & Bill Sisson

Warren Sandra Schaefer

John & Nancy Solberg

Dr. Jake & Pastor Auna Sorenson

Wayne & Karen Sherry

Doug & Karen Traastad

Pastor John & Diane Twiton

Pastor Andy Twiton & Kristen Swedlund

Judy Ulland

Verna Wallace

Judy & Merrill Wachter

Susan Wickstrom

Paul & Joyce Wichelt

Don Morovits

Bruce & Mary Lou Tessmer

Pioneer Supporters: \$100-\$199

Vivian Achenbach
Ed & Belle Achenbach
Kevin & Betty Baird
Donna Bolstad
Do Bonney
Laurel & JoAnn Brandt
Bob Burzinski
Deanna & Fred Brockway
Bill & Barb Beckman
Suzanne Bartels
Gerald Books
Carol Chroninger
Judy Coope
Jen & Jay Bjorklund
Ellie Davis
Gary Elliott
Carmen Deback
Ron & Marsha Ellefson
Rich Figgie
Mark & Kam Fohey
Dan & Pat Fisher
Kent & Alice Frydenlund
Duane & Rubi Granger
Kiera Grant
Larry & Sharon Gehl
Beverly Hoege
Charles & Gwen Hatfield
Shirley Hummel
Sharon Halverson
Dick & Karen Iverson

Palmer & Martha Hoffland
Pat Hamann
Richard & Cleo Hendrickson
Meredith Hink
Roger & Diane Hanson
Nancy Hinrichs
Tom Hunt & Pastor Kathy Ingebritsen
Ted Jerman
Samantha Johnson
Lisa Klosterboer
Trudy Johnson
Daniel Kirschbaum & Jon Tippetts
Bill Kvigne
Carol Kraker
Candice Karl
JoDean Lieurance
Pastors Judd & April Larson
Mary Circle
Philip Molldrem
Karen Mack
Peter & Lori Melby
John & Paty Moilen
William and JoEllen Mapp
John & Robbie Mason
David & Joan Nelson
Larry Norris
Sarah Nestingen
Alice Olson
Pastor Alan & Kathy Oman
Terry & Janine Olson

David Olson
Peter & Jan Petersilie
Wendell & Sharon Pfaff
Dan & Karen Powell
Paul & Pat Roelli
Ken & Tori Rochen
Collen Schultz
Marlene Swiggum
Julie Schmidt
Peter & Gwen Servais
Bob & Gain Shimpach
Bed & Sarah Sykora
Wendell & Joyce Schreier
Doug & Kari Strandell
Andrew Stutesman
John Stake
Ruth Schriefer
Judy Schure
Philip Turner
Lori Taylor
Jim & Clarice Toynton
Gene & Karalee Turk
Robin & Tom Watson
John & Jean Walleser
Cheryl & Mike Weber
Thurman Vangen
Pastor Mark & Jennifer Williamson
Sharon Yumto

Summer Staff 2023



Aaron Hartley
Riverboat Coord.
Iowa



Armandine Mabote
Counselor
DR Congo



Ashuni Ochoa
Kitchen Assistant
Mexico



Barbora Židková
Counselor
Czech Republic



Blessing Dlamini
Counselor
Zimbabwe



Bobbi Onsrud
LEAD Coord.
Georgia



Doug Feyen
Village Leader
Wisconsin



Erick Rosas
Counselor
Mexico



Faith Henkel
Counselor
Wisconsin



Israel Mockray
Counselor
Tanzania



JP DeBack
Maintenance
Colorado



Karina Bronson
Counselor
Wisconsin



Kieth Bankes
Grounds
Wisconsin



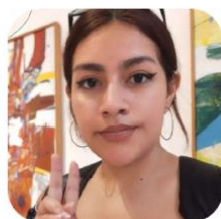
Libby Frank
Counselor
Wisconsin



Luther Anderson
Counselor
Wisconsin



Madi DeBack
Lead Wrangler
Colorado



Maricruz Ruiz
Counselor
Mexico



Monica Hernandez
Counselor
Mexico



Natalie Hoeft
Village Leader
Wisconsin



Ollie Gerth
Arts and Crafts Coord.
Iowa



Ombeni Goss
Village Leader
Wisconsin



Sam Renkas
Kitchen Assistant
Wisconsin



Sarah Hopp
Assistant Program
Director
Minnesota



Sophia Stanton
Life Guard
Wisconsin



Sophie Ambrose
Wrangler
Wisconsin



Viktor Lopez
Counselor
Wisconsin



Deacon Stephanie
Program Director

2024 Summer Program Schedule

| | 🔥=Sun-Friday Session A=Sun-Tues Session B=Wed-Fri Session DC=Onsite Day Camp | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Summer Camp Programs 2024 | Week 1 June 9-14 | Week 2 June 16-21 | Week 3 June 23-28 | Week 4 June 30-July 3 | Week 5 July 7-12 | Week 6 July 14-19 | Week 7 July 21-26 | Week 8 July 28-Aug 2 | Week 9 Aug 4-7 & Aug 8-11 |
| Explorers (5K-3) | | DC | | DC | | DC | | DC | |
| Foresters (5K-6) | | | | | | | | | DC (5-9) |
| Buckaroos (2-3) | | | AB | A | | AB | | | |
| Seekers (4) | 🔥 | 🔥 | | Family Camp Session 1 | 🔥 | | | 🔥 | |
| Pioneers (5) | 🔥 | | 🔥 | | | | | 🔥 | 🔥 |
| Wagoneers (6-7) | | 🔥 | | | | | 🔥 | | 🔥 |
| Horse (6-8) | 🔥 | | 🔥 | | | 🔥 | | 🔥 | |
| Art Camp (6-8) | 🔥 | | | | | | | | |
| LAB Camp (6-8) | | | | | | | | 🔥 | |
| Elevated (6-8 & 9-12) | | | | | | MS | | | HS |
| Night (7-8) | | 🔥 | | | | | 🔥 | | |
| Adventurers (7-8) | | | 🔥 | | | 🔥 | | 🔥 | |
| Confirmation (7-10) | | 🔥 | | | | | | | 🔥 |
| Valley Olympics (7-10) | 🔥 | | | | | | | | |
| Ranger (8-10) | 🔥 | | | | | | | 🔥 | |
| Trailblazers (8-10) | | | | | | | 🔥 | 🔥 | |
| Pedal & Paddle (8-10) | | | | | | 🔥 | | | |
| Riverboaters (9-12) | 🔥 | | 🔥 | | 🔥 | 🔥 | 🔥 | 🔥 | |
| JW (9-12) | | JW Level II | | | | 🔥 | | 🔥 | |
| WYLDE (9-12) | | | 🔥 | | | | | | |
| LEAD (11-12) | Session I | | | | Session 2 | | | | |

2024 Upcoming Events

- March 15-16 Confirmation Youth Retreat
- March 30 Easter Egg Hunt & Brunch
- April 5-6 LaCrosse Synod Youth Gathering Retreat
- April 8 Yesterday's Youth
- April 8-10 Recently Retired Retreat
- April 20 Elementary School Youth Retreat
- April 30 Peer Ministry, Plan-It Seminar
- May 4 Volunteer Work Weekend
- June 5 Pioneer Dinner
- June 9 First Day of Summer Camp
- August 19 Annual Golf Outing, Viroqua Hills
- September 14 Annual Quilt Auction & Fall Festival
- September 27-28 MS/HS Youth Retreat
- October 7 Yesterday's Youth
- October 10-13 Fall Craft Retreat
- October 18-20 Women's Retreat
- November 2 Elementary School Youth Retreat
- November 1 Fireside Bus Trip, "Miracle on 34th Street"
- December 2 Yesterday's Youth
- December 7 Road to Bethlehem



Check the website for up to date information on upcoming events:
SugarCreekBibleCamp.org