



# CAMP MOUNT LUTHER

*Experience God. Experience Nature. Experience Service.*

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## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SUMMER CAMPING 2011

**REGISTRATION:** The camping week begins Sunday (Wednesday for Mini-Camps) with registration from 2:45-4:00 p.m. When you arrive at camp, you will be greeted by our staff and given a nametag and a cabin list. If you arrive early, you are asked to wait in your car in a single file line along Mt. Luther Lane. We will block the road off and will direct cars when our registration time begins. You will then proceed to the Evergreen Center. At the Evergreen Center, you will need to stop at the following stations:

- Camp Store: to purchase your store card, a group photo, and buy merchandise if you wish
- Camp Nurse: to have your health screening and give any medications you will take during the week

You will then go to your cabin, meet your counselor and sign-in. You and your family will be able to walk around camp and spend some time with your counselor and cabinmates. If you think you will be late in arriving, please contact our office. At 4:00 p.m., we'll start walking to the Amphitheatre for our opening worship service. Parents and families are encouraged to stay for this service as we kick off our week together. Worship will start at 4:15 p.m. We ask families to depart our facilities by 5:15 p.m.

**VISITORS/EARLY DEPARTURE:** The camping week is a very short period away from home and it is better if children are not visited by parents, friends, and relatives nor receive phone calls during the week. All visitors must register at the office upon their arrival. If someone other than a parent or guardian is picking up a camper, a form must be completed during registration. If campers must leave at an unscheduled time, a parent or guardian must sign out in the office. This will help ensure camp safety.

**FRIDAY DEPARTURE:** The camping week concludes on Friday. Campers will have our final picnic meal and end their week with one final celebration of songs and a sending by our camp chaplains. You may pick up your child around 6:15 p.m. at the pavilion. You will need to sign-out your child with their counselor at the cabin. The camp store in the Evergreen Center will be open on Friday nights. You should also double check our lost and found box in the Evergreen Center lobby. Medications can be picked up from the nurse in Evergreen as well. Camp board members generously donate funds to provide you with a cold soda or bottled water for your ride home on Friday. Our Friday Night Pit Stop is located just outside the lobby Evergreen. *For ten day camps, you can pick up your child at 6:15 on Tuesday night. You will go directly to your child's cabin for pick-up.*

**CAMP STORE:** Camp items such as T-shirts, shorts, sweatshirts, stamps, postcards may be purchased on Sunday afternoons and Friday evenings. Snack items such as candy, ice cream and fruit drinks can be purchased once a day with a store card. **For this reason, we ask that no food be brought or sent to camp.**

**MAIL, E-MAIL AND PHOTOS:** Receiving mail at camp is something campers and staff look forward to. Send incoming mail early in the week. If sent later than Wednesday, it may not arrive in time for the camper to receive it. Please address mail in the following way: **Camper's Name; Camp Mount Luther; 355 Mt. Luther Lane; Mifflinburg, PA 17844.** E-mail can be sent to the campers during the week. Mount Luther now uses BUNK ONE for our one-way e-mail service. A separate sheet provides information about that service. E-mail sent to our camp e-mails WILL NOT be delivered to campers- you must use the Bunk One service. Bunk One is also providing our on-line photo galleries again this year which can be accessed at [www.campmountluther.org](http://www.campmountluther.org).

**NEED DRIVING DIRECTIONS? VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.CAMPMOUNTLUTHER.ORG](http://WWW.CAMPMOUNTLUTHER.ORG)**

**PAYMENT:** Payment for your week at camp should be made prior to your arrival. If you do not pay in full when you register, we'll send you a reminder a few weeks prior to your week at camp. For your convenience, Camp Mount Luther accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express for payments and donations. In addition, you can register on-line using Paypal.

**REFUND POLICY:** The \$75 deposit is a nonrefundable processing fee in all the following cases. Refunds will be made in the following manner:

- Seventy-five percent (75%) of the camp fees, not including the nonrefundable deposit of \$75, will be refunded if cancellation is received prior to June 1st.
- No refund will be made for adventure camps after June 1st due to contracts with vendors and their policies. Entire fee is required to be paid.
- For traditional and specialty camps, fifty percent (50%) of the camp fees, not including the nonrefundable deposit, will be refunded if the cancellation is received after June 1st and more than two weeks prior to the start of the week that the camper is registered for.
- No refund will be made within two weeks of the start of the camp session or for late arrivals or early departures except under the following conditions: (1) Illness or medical emergency with receipt of written statement from a doctor and (2) Death in family with written notification.
- In these two cases, a refund will consist of the camp fees, prorated for the length of stay, not including the nonrefundable deposit of \$50.

*Parents: We know that campers like to keep in touch with their counselors and other staff that they meet at Mount Luther. We feel that after-camp communication should be very positive in nourishing fond memories campers have of camp. The staff is told during training that it is recommended that after-camp e-mails, letters and social networking (such as Facebook) are only appropriate with the awareness and approval of the camper's parents/guardians. Staff are informed of this policy; we ask that parents inform their campers of this policy.*

**MEDICAL INFO:** The Mount Luther staff has been CPR and First Aid certified during our ten day staff training period at the beginning of the summer. Please feel secure that if a camper gets sick, they will be well taken care of. If you have any concerns, please talk to the director or a counselor. While it is difficult to predict every case in which parents will be notified, Mount Luther strives to keep them as informed as possible regarding the health and well being of campers. The camp notifies parents in the following cases:

- A fever or flue symptoms that last more than 24 hours
- Anytime the camp physician recommends that a patient be taken to the ER or his office.
- Anytime emergency medical treatment is needed.
- A reoccurring medical condition or problem arises
- A serious accident, injury, major emergency, or evacuation

The camp keeps over-the-counter medications in stock. We obtain guardian consent for the use of these medications on camper health forms. We ask that campers do not bring any nonprescription medications to camp. If given to a child, a nonprescription medication is given in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Typical medications given include acetaminophen (Tylenol), antihistamines, anti-diarrheals, cold medications and topical ointments.

**ITEMS FOR CAMPERS TO BRING:** Campers should bring the following items for their time at camp. Day Campers should bring the items marked with an (\*) in a bag or small backpack. Resident campers may want to bring a small backpack as well:

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| • Sleeping Bag              | • Old Clothes and shoes that can get wet   | • Rain Gear*                   |
| • Bible*                    | • Sturdy Shoes for Hiking (If you are buying new boots, make sure you wear them a lot before camp and "break them in") | • Flashlight                   |
| • Notebook                  | • Sneakers*  | • Personal Water Bottle*       |
| • Pen or Pencil             | • Socks  | • Sunscreen*                   |
| • Towels* and Washcloth     | • Extra pair of shoes  | • Hat to shade the sun         |
| • Toothbrush and Toothpaste |  | • Insect Repellent             |
| • Soap                      |  | • Camera and Film (if desired) |
| • Comb or Brush             |  | • Sweatshirt and Sweatpants    |
| • Swimsuit (in good taste)* |  | • Enthusiasm                   |

Please mark all belongings with the camper's name. Lost and found items will be kept for two weeks. Anything not claimed becomes property of the camp. Campers are NOT to bring personal musical devices, TVs, pocket computer or video games, comic books, pornographic materials, cell phones, pagers, playing cards, gum, firearms, fireworks, knives, or alcohol or tobacco products. The Camp Mount Luther Corporation prohibits the use of tobacco and alcohol products on camp property. Campers found possessing or using these substances will be dismissed with no refund of their fees.