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## SUMMER STAFF IS HERE AND EXCITED

We are looking forward to providing faith formation and leadership opportunities for our young adult summer staff! These staff members are committed to growing in faith, learning more about themselves, growing together as a community and serving the families of Luther Park in new capacities this summer. *Thank you for supporting them!* 



## **10 NATIONAL WORKING STAFF:**

### Greta Delaune - Shoreview, MN

"I am so excited for the not so traditional camp because of the opportunity to come together at Luther Park and work on something special for our campers despite the fact that they won't get the traditional camp experience! While it's unfortunate we won't be able to be in person with the campers, I am thrilled to see what we can create for them in the upcoming weeks!"

#### Quentin Emole - Cameron, WI

"I'm excited to get away from the hustle and bustle of regular life and meet new people."

#### Zach Fisher - Rice Lake, WI

"I'm so excited to work on some new and exciting projects for camp! It'll be rough not seeing some of our awesome friends this year, but hopefully we build something great they can come back to!"

## Noah Hanson-Best - St. Paul, MN

"This summer I am most looking forward to the chance to reconnect with old friends and to build new relationships with the new staff members. I'm going to miss the noise and bustle that the camper bring with them and their different personalities."

#### Madison Main - Webster, WI

"What I will miss most about traditional camp this year is the collective community experience. Camp is full of memories made with others and I will truly miss those connections. I'm super excited how all the staff will work together to create something amazing in this new normal."

### Gabe Nordby - Center City, MN

"I'm going to miss meeting and getting to spend time with all the new and returning campers. I'm excited to go into this unknown area and can't wait to see how it turns out and what new memories I am going to make."

#### Liz Pemberton - Richfield, MN

"What I will miss about camp is seeing the kids from previous years. I am excited to make new friends with the staff. I am also excited to try something completely new, to see how we will spread God's message and bring the joy of camp in new ways."

#### James Powell - Rosemount, MN

"What I'm most excited for this summer is being able to develop what I think will be a close staff group that will be given lots of time to connect and be together. But with all that time comes sacrificing what I believe makes camp so special, which is the connections you build between counselors and campers."

#### Tommy Shultz - Bloomington, MN

"I'm excited that we can still give campers some camp experience and help them grow in their faith but I'm gonna miss playing games with the campers and having a fun time together."

#### Caity Wright - Apple Valley, MN

"I'm most excited to see how we can adapt and create resources for the community and for camp itself that will be useful for years to come. I'll really miss the energy that campers bring to site each week and the community and friendships that are formed."

## **4 INTERNATIONAL NON-WORKING STAFF:**

These four staff members are not able to join us this summer because of the effects of COVID-19. We will miss them dearly and wish they could be a part of our summer experience.

#### Margo Toth - Budapest, Hungary

"Luther Park, I'm going to miss you so much that I will be seeing you every time I dream. In my dreams I will hear the loons' call by Lake 26. I will be able to

smell the smoke from campfire. I'll be hearing campers cheering to the Never Ending Love Song while the staff is trying to stop the song after the 5th round of repeating. I'll miss the laughter, the community, my friends who I got so close with throughout the years. I will miss feeling like I'm a part of something bigger. Every night when I close my eyes, I will see the starry sky watching over camp, until we finally meet again."



## Ally Darragh - Sydney, Australia

"I'm going to miss being at the waterfront, watching the kids enjoy themselves in the lake. I'm also going to miss the campfire s'mores! When I can come back to camp, I'm looking forward to seeing how much campers have grown as people and singing songs with them at campfire."

#### Sharon Rondon Avendano - Sabaneta, Colombia

"I was waiting for the opportunity to go to a camp this year. I was excited about it because it was a new experience in my life and I have always wanted to go to the US and help people out. Even though I can't come this summer I have already made good friends with all the staff of the camp. I feel comfortable and happy talking with the generous, funny, helpful and friendly staff about the experiences of camp. I am hoping that God's timing will be perfect next year so I can try and go to Luther Park next summer."



"I am sad that I can't go to camp this summer and I am going to miss the opportunity to meet such amazing people and experience this cultural exchange. I hope next year I can get to know all the amazing staff and campers, the country and have fun being of great help to the camp. I hope to meet you soon!"









## THOUGHTS FROM A CAMPERS' FAMILY...

## HENRIK, MATS AND BETH

They are members of Nativity Lutheran Church in St. Anthony. HENRIK (age 10)

I love Luther Park because it's always a surprise to see all of the new counselors and kids that you could be with in your cabin. Some of my favorite activities are canoeing, kayaking and playing pool in the game room with my friends. Last year, we woke up early and fished twice, as well as doing the Polar Plunge. We also played full camp games, which were Capture the Prom Dress and Boofers, which were very fun. Boofers is where you try to do different tasks for the counselors, while being chased by the Boofers. Capture the Prom Dress is just a really fun and really big game of Capture the Flag with Prom Dresses as the flags. Worshiping with my camp friends in the forest is very fun, full of songs, and is very spiritual and close to God. Something I also really like is jumping off the floating platform in the deep end. I also like KP, which is where you clean the tables and floors in the dining room. It doesn't sound fun, but working with your cabin mates is really fun, and brings you closer together.

#### MATS (age 7)

I thought that it would be scary because it is two hours away from mommy and daddy and I'm not used to being that far away from them. Then I went and it was really fun. I wasn't scared like I thought I would be because of all the kind people and counselors. I was the littlest in my cabin and my cabin mates turned my bunk bed into a fort with two night lights where I felt safe and cozy. I loved staying in a cabin and playing in the game room. I like Kitchen patrol because it is cleaning and working but is fun because you get to be with your cabin mates and work together as a team. It was fun being on my own at camp without my mommy and daddy watching over me all the time.

#### **BETH (Mom)**

I first sent my oldest son to Luther Park when he was only 8 years old. I was very hesitant and nervous about sending him two hours away for three whole nights. He has always been a troubled sleeper. He was a colicky baby, a restless toddler and had regular nightmares since he was 3 years old. He had never slept over with friends and had only gone to stay with grandma for one night in his whole life. I often found him next to my bed in the middle of the night. Needless to say, the thought of sending him to sleep away camp never even crossed my mind. But he was introduced to the idea during his faith formation class at church and came running to us after class asking if he could go. It all looked like so much fun! He really wanted to do this and we could see the determination in his eyes. We talked about it and prayed about it and let him lead the way.

When the time came to drop him off he turned bravely from us and headed into a room full of kids he didn't know, all by himself. He believed he could do it and he did. When I picked him up three days later he came running up to me again, his face glowing with pride. He immediately said he would be back for the full week next year, and even asked if I could just leave him there for the rest of that week! The joy I see in his face when he talks about his experiences at Luther Park are far beyond what I could have imagined for him. Not only does he love the fun experiences but I have seen how he takes the lessons about God's grace and love and carries them forward into his life all year long. When my younger son was only 7, his older brother convinced him it was time for him to experience Luther Park too. My younger son has food and environmental allergies and, again, I was scared to leave him in the hands of strangers for 3 nights without my watchful eye and hovering presence. I was, once again, blown away by the experience my sons were given by Luther Park staff. They eased my fears and met my son's needs. When I picked them up that summer I learned that they had gone early morning fishing, made new friends, and dug even deeper into the joys of God's creation. Luther Park has given our family a community we can trust to provide our kids with the love, guidance, and connection they need to grow both physically and spiritually as young men. 👛



## THOUGHTS FROM A CAMPER...

## **JULIET PENA**

Ten-year-old Juliet Pena, from Elim Lutheran Church in Robbinsdale has been going to camp since first grade. These are her reasons why she loves Luther Park.

There are so many things to do like play games, sing songs, go swimming, do arts and crafts, and visit the canteen. My favorite thing to do is the talent show. That is so much fun!

I feel close to God because we do things that relate to him. One of the songs goes like this, "Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true."

We have amazing counselors! I usually go with my friends Izzy and Consuela. I am always telling my friends to go!



## THOUGHTS FROM A COUNSELOR...

## **MADISON MAIN**

I'm so happy that God brought Luther Park into my life and I believe this happened for a reason. I feel like Luther Park is my second home and it was meant to be a special place in my life. I've made so many friends, so many happy memories, and have grown into myself and my faith tremendously. This was all part of God's plan for me.



I started going to Luther Park as a camper through my church: Lakeside Lutheran in Webster, WI. I remember getting so excited and overpacking way too much. I still have my journal that I used when I was a camper and it's so funny to go back and read about my experiences. It makes me miss the simple life of being a child. Back then, I didn't really know how the world worked, but I knew everything felt right and balanced at Luther Park.

After I went off to college, I was looking for a job for the following summer. I remember this moment vividly: I was home for winter break and I was watching a movie about a summer camp. It inspired me and so I messaged Anna Treague, the former Associate Director, inquiring about a summer job opportunity. The rest is history. I worked there for two summers in a row during college. The first summer as a counselor, and the second as Activities Director. I was going through a lot personally at that time, with college and some deaths in the family, and Luther Park, and everyone there, helped me through those tough years.

This year, I am returning for my third summer to be the Activities Director again. The world is in chaos right now, and this isn't really what we signed up for but camp is about being adaptable, and I am excited for this journey. I am certain that no matter what, we will all find peace, hope, and love in God.

## Luther Park **ECHOES**-From the Point

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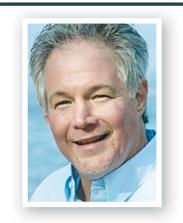
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## YEAR-ROUND STAFF MEMBERS

Joanne Anderson, Kitchen / Housekeeping Pete and Marcia Brace, Maintenance/Office Rhonda DeMars, Kitchen Joel Legred, Executive Director Leah McDougall, Program Director Carrie Moen, Kitchen





Wow! What a first quarter for this new and incredibly challenging year! We have been indoors from Mid-March, learning how to be at a safe distance, disinfecting our hands arriving and leaving the grocery store, and cleaning everything. At times, it is unnerving. The scriptures speak of storms and how God will always be with us. Not to fear the storm.

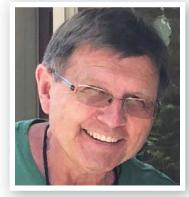
"Do not fear for I am with you; do not be dismayed for I am your God, I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." - Isaiah 41:10

WE'RE GONNA MAKE IT THROUGH THIS. We are **STRONG** in faith!!! Luther Park Camp and Retreat Center is not without its challenges too! This year is bringing many changes and challenges forward. Since campers will not be able to come to LPC this year, our adaptive directors, Joel Legred and Leah McDougall have had their hands full. They are working diligently within the CDC and state guidelines, brainstorming on new, never-tried ways of bringing LPC to kids! The past few weeks, I have seen them turn lemons into sweet lemonade. While they do their part, I wonder if I could ask you, (the friends of Luther Park) to help us in another way. By donating more than you have in the past. Its in this time of challenge we need that support the most.

Look to our website to donate if you can. Also look for surprises for the campers there too!! www.lutherparkdanbury.com

Rest assured campers we'll be in touch one way or another!! Stay safe and God Bless you and your family!





## Off the Grid

Jesus said to them: Come with me to a quiet place and get some rest - Mark 6:31.

Camp ministry has always been "off the grid" and we are proud of it. We have been the place to get away, the space to decompress. People have come for spiritual refreshment, quiet moments, and time in nature.

Now friends and family are seeking connection. Our desire for togetherness is another way Bible camp has ministered to people of all ages. People who have never met, meet at camp. Couples renew their marriages. Kids make new friends, sometimes for life.

Luther Park like everyone is finding a new normal. In navigating new waters, we are remembering why we're here. One of the main reasons is young people. This is why we are going to be offering leadership training and spiritual direction to our college-age staff this summer. Without kids on-site, they will not have the normal counselor routine so we are taking advantage of the opportunity to deepen their faith and their futures.

Navigating a new normal is something camp has always done. In fact, Luther Park staff will say that one of the most important leadership gifts they discovered at camp was adaptability. They are more readily able to adjust and innovate when things do not go as planned.

Perhaps God invites us all to flex our muscles and adapt to the times as we are able. Thank you to everyone who is helping us with special gifts and prayers during the summer. We need your help for what we call "essential" ministry. May God bless you with health and God's peace.







## PEDALING TO **BENEFIT LUTHER PARK!**

Have you ever wanted to help Luther Park out by raising funds and participating in the Bikeathon? Well this is the year to do it!

Due to COVID 19, this years Bikeathon is going virtual! Individuals can gather pledges and bike 120 miles throughout the summer in stages in the Twin Cities area. This is such an important fundraiser for Luther Park, especially this summer, since the camp will not have the income from campers.

If you decide to participate in this virtual Bikeathon, please take photos! Share with us via Email - camp@lutherpark.com, Facebook - www.facebook.com/lutherparkdanbury

Contact Joel Legred for more information at ilegred@lutherpark.com

or Instagram - @lutherparkdanbury

So grab a friend and your bike and pedal for Luther Park!



## **MESSAGE** FROM LUTHER PARK BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF

As you may have anticipated, the Board of Directors and staff have made the difficult and sad decision to not offer the scheduled, on-site summer programming to campers and families in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our camper and staff safety and care has always been our first priority. Guidelines from the American Camp Association and the CDC include restrictions that would inhibit the camp experience and we feel that it would be best to not gather on-site.

We will be exploring options for our summer retreat ministry with individual families and groups already booked. Our staff will be in touch with congregations regarding contracted day camps and make decisions that are mutually satisfactory.

Our summer staff is hired, able and ready to work on special camp projects as well as engage in faith formation opportunities and leadership development training this summer. They will be preparing "Camp-in-a-Box" to be sent to camper families and possibly hosting a virtual camp experience for campers interested in enjoying a little bit of camp at home this summer.

We will look to generous donors in addition to camper families to help get us through this challenging time. All are welcome to share a gift on-line at www.lutherparkdanbury.com, or mail it to Luther Park, 30376 Lakes Dr., Danbury, WI 84830.

Registered camp families will also have the option of rolling payments into summer 2021 or requesting a full

We thank you in advance for your patience as we work through this difficult time. We are deeply grieving the loss of what we have known camp to be in years past, but we have faith in God and trust that we will discover new ways to grow together and continue to be the community of Luther Park.

As always, please feel free to reach out to us at Luther Park with any questions, concerns or comments.

Take care, stay safe, and God bless. data



Be sure to check Luther Park's website - www.lutherparkdanbury.com for updated information on activities that may be offered this summer and fall.

**GIVEN BY** 

Darelyne Gustafson



## THE LUTHER PARK SMILE...IT'S PRICELESS BUT YOUR GIFTS MAKE

## **2019 HONORARY GIFTS**

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Betty Slater	Joan Slater
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	Bob and Kathy McLain
Leah McDougall	Janice & Lowell Jerdee
Tara Meyers	Todd & Deb Meyers
Their 50th Anniversary	Jennifer & Phillip Dennis
To the Glory of God	Lu Ann Giles
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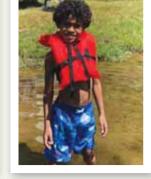




















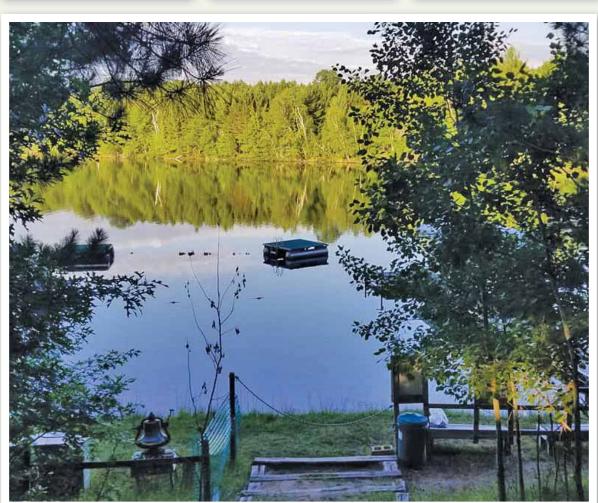




















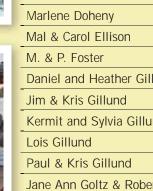
## **Mission Statement**

Luther Park is a cooperative ministry of ELCA and other Lutheran congregations serving people of all ages through a variety of programs in an outdoor setting. Our Mission is to provide an environment in which the Christian faith may be strengthened and people may grow in their personal relationship to God.

## **2019 MEMORIAL GIFTS**

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Cole Allred	Vicki & Chuck Elliott
Denny Bornes	Judith Bornes
Beverly Carlson	Darlene Carlson
Don Carlson	Barbara & Bruce Johnson
Earl Carlson	Darlene Carlson
Fran Challman	Olga Challman
Mary Jane Cutter	Tom and Lisa Stevens
Marian Erickson	Leonard & Barbara Zondlo
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Marion J. Johnson	Joel & Brenda Legred
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	Arlen Legred
	Joel & Brenda Legred
	Scott & Cara Wright
Mona Legred	Joel & Brenda Legred
Howard Lerohl	Joel & Brenda Legred
Burton Miller	Karen Durant
Darton Willer	Sharon Miller
William Miller	Karen Durant
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To receive a memorial/honorary gift packet for future use, please call camp at 715-656-7244.

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Ken Wegner

Roger Wold

Janet & Tom Nelson

Tim & Malinda Tamlyn

KIDS, CAMP AND SUMMER: A WINNING COMBINATION!





## WE GIVE TOGETHER

With our summer decision made we are expecting less income. Our challenge to everyone who loves Luther Park is to join us in keeping our camp financially strong and healthy.

We are also dedicated to paying our staff, holding the promise we gave them months ago, and giving them the leadership and faith formation opportunities they are seeking in their lives.

Please consider Luther Park in your giving. Please pray for the campers, families, staff members, volunteers, donors and ministries of Luther Park.

Without you, we would not be what and who we are. http://www.lutherpark.com/donate-online.html #lutherparkdanbury #wegivetogether



## SAVE THE DATE **SEPT. 19TH** LUTHER PARK BENEFIT CONCERT

EAGLES 34, MINNEAPOLIS

Join us for a fun evening! Listen to the 11-member band, Morpheus, perform hits from some of music's greatest classic rock bands – Blood, Sweat & Tears, Steppenwolf, Santana, Chicago, The Eagles, The Doors and more!

(Depending on COVID-19 restrictions at the time.)

## CORPORATE CHURCHES

## **GIVE BACK**

One of our churches has already offered to provide the scholarship monies they were planning on sending for their summer campers to help with our summer salaries and other camp and program expenses. If your congregation is willing and able to do this as well please contact us. Your donations would be greatly appreciated and help us continue to do ministry this summer. Please contact: Joel Legred at 612-987-6628 or email: jlegred@lutherpark.com



## LEAVE A LEGACY OF GOD'S LOVE

Would you like to leave a legacy for future generations that reflects your faith and values?

## The Luther Park Legacy Society has been created to help friends of Luther Park leave a legacy.

Legacy gifts to Luther Park will be a seed planted in good soil, because it will help people of all ages deepen their faith in Jesus. You can provide a legacy gift through a life insurance policy or a will bequest. If you have already completed your will, a codicil can be added at a nominal charge.

For additional information, please contact Joel Legred at 612-987-6628 or email jlegred@lutherpark.com.



## THRIVENT CHOICE, EMPLOYEE MATCHING PROGRAM AND THRIVENT ACTION PLANS BENEFIT LUTHER PARK

(A TOTAL OF NEARLY \$4000.00 RECIEVED IN 2019)

### THRIVENT CHOICE

If you have a Thrivent Financial product you may be able to help Luther Park through their Thrivent Choice program. Through this, you can help direct the company's charitable dollars to Luther Park. Call **1-800-847-4836** or visit **www.thrivent.com/thriventchoice** to direct your Thrivent Choice dollars to Luther Park.

## EMPLOYEE MATCHING PROGRAM

Thrivent also has an Employer Matching Program that matches contributions their employees make to non-profit organizations. Luther Park has benefited through this also.

### **ACTION PLANS**

Thrivent Action Plans are another way policy holders can help Luther Park. You can set up an Action Team project that benefits Luther Park and visit the Thrivent website to apply. When approved, you will receive a \$250 gift card to be used toward the project or gift it to Luther Park to utilize it for the project.

Luther Park says **THANK YOU** to Thrivent and its members for these opportunities to provide financial gifts to the camp!



## **ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Meeting was postponed due to COVID 19 restrictions. A future date will be posted on Luther Park's website when it is re-scheduled.



## 2019 CAMPER NUMBERS

We praise God that Luther Park's ministry has had the opportunity to serve many. Summer and Day

Campers 782
Retreaters 836 **2019 Total 1618** 





Due to the postponed Annual Meeting, the following were elected at the April Board Meeting

## Welcome Board Members

Newly elected in 2020

Eric Boyd - *St. Barnabas* Tom Nelson - *Elim* David Shirley - *Messiah* 

Elected to another 2 year term

Suzie Bergquist - Family of Christ Scott Housman - Mount Calvary

## Board Members in the Second Year of their 2 Year Term

Jim Warren - Nativity Candace Cobb - Diamond Lake Deana Miller - Zion Evangelical

## Thanks to outgoing Board Members for their dedicated service!

Terry Couillard - Elim
Nancy Johnson Gustavus Adolphus
Randy Johnson - House of Prayer
Jim Pemberton - Richfield
Lisa Turnquist - St. Barnabas

## **LUTHER PARK WISH LIST**

Listed below are some of the camp's current needs. Perhaps you don't have any of these items on hand, but could give a special gift or a gift in honor or memory of someone.

To contribute toward any of these items, just make a check out to Luther Park and note your wishes and mail to: Luther Park, 30376 Lakes Drive, Danbury WI 54830-9508, You can also help purchase any of these items from our Amazon Smile Charity Wishlist and/or order your Amazon items through Amazon Smile and Amazon Donates!

Amazon Wishlist: www.amazon.com/gp/clpf Amazon Smile: smile.amazon.com/ch/41-0841180

#### **URGENT NEEDS**

Reliable passenger car/van **Dehumidifiers** Four-wheeler Gas Cards (Prefer Super America but can use all cards) Wilson Amplifier

#### SPECIAL NEEDS FOR RETREAT CENTER

New or gently used deck chairs and tables New pillows, sheets, quilts (queen and twin) Bedside tables and lamps for sleeping rooms Large floor rugs Plants/shrubs/landscaping Furniture for sitting areas

#### **MAINTENANCE**

Rakes Shovels LED light bulbs Chain Saws Wire-Feed welder Solar lights for along paths Work gloves Weed Whips Screen for windows (Regular and "Dog" screen) Chains for chain saws

## **KITCHEN**

8 Cup Food Processor Commercial Electric Steam Table Large Size Scissors

Projector with HDMI input

#### **PROGRAM**

Spark Story Bibles Battery Powered Pillar Candles Battery Powered Votive Candles Taper Candles (to burn) Permanent markers Scrapbook Paper Markers or Colored Pencils (no crayons, please) Pencil Boxes Boxes of "duraflame firestart" for starting campfires Soft Dodgeballs Soccer balls, Basketballs, volleyballs, kick halls Soccer Nets (2 - 12x6)

Kayak Paddles

New or Gently Used Canoes New or Gently Used Tents

Solar Powered Lanterns

## **OFFICE**

Laminating sheets for GBC Laminating machine Large Paper Cutter GBC Laminating Machine Copy paper (white and colored) Card Stock (white and colored) Poster Board

Bulletin boards for cabins White boards & markers

Batteries (D, AA, AAA, 9V, CR2032)

## HOUSEKEEPING

New Sleeping Bags Twin and Queen Size sheets Shower curtains

Thanks for gifts given in 2019!

During this time of COVID-19, it's an important time to come together in prayer, community and giving to make sure that our non-profits can continue to serve.

We are campaigning to help offset some of the loss of income we will experience this summer, to make sure we can continue to pay the bills and provide ministry opportunities through Luther Park.

### Thank you for all of your support!

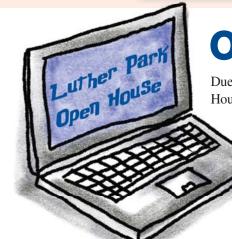
http://www.lutherpark.com/donate-online.html #lutherparkdanbury #wegivetogether



If you are interested in coming to Luther Park for a *family get-away* this summer, please contact Joel Legred at **612-987-6628** or email:

#### jlegred@lutherpark.com

Options may include staying in the retreat center as well as a cabin.



## **OPEN HOUSE**

Due to COVID-19, the Luther Park Annual Open House has been canceled. The staff is working on creating a possible Virtual Open House.

> Please look on the website of Luther Park www.lutherparkdanburv.com or the Facebook page www.facebook. com/lutherparkdanbury for more information.

## **CAMP STORE IS NOW OPEN ONLINE**

Would you like to help Luther Park with their finances? Would you like some Luther Park memorabilia? You can order from the camp store online! Listed below are some of the things offered.

Visit the Luther Park website at www.lutherparkdanbury.com to order.



- Adult and Youth Short Sleeve T-shirts
- Adult Crew Necks
- Adult Joggers
- Adult Sweatpants
- Adult Hockey String Sweatshirts
- Youth Sweatshirts
- Drawstring bags
- T-shirt Blankets
- Bandanas
- Nalgene Water **Bottles**
- Travel Mugs
- Tin Cups
- Lanyards
- Chip Clips





















## CAMP HAS GIVEN ME ..



# WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT CAMP HAS GIVEN YOU!

Share with us what camp has given to you by filling out the graphic above, take a photo of you and the graphic and then share with us via Email - camp@lutherpark.com, Facebook - www.facebook.com/lutherparkdanbury or Instagram - @lutherparkdanbury



## **WAYS TO GIVE...**

## **Donate Money:**

Donate online through **Mighty Cause** or **Pay Pal** or donate through **Venmo** on your phone!

www.lutherparkdanbury.com/donate-online.html

## **Buy Supplies:**

Check out our **Wish List** on the website or our **Amazon Smile Wishlist** and help us stock up on needed items and supplies.

www.lutherparkdanbury.com/wish-list.html

### **Volunteer Time:**

Contact **Joel Legred** at **612-987-6628** or **email: jlegred@lutherpark.com** to ask about volunteer opportunities!