

April 8, 2018

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s),

Welcome to Lutherhaven Day Camp/ Vacation Bible School (VBS) sponsored by Lutherhaven Ministries and Emmanuel Lutheran Church, **June 18-22, 2018**. Our theme for this week is **"Speak Life!"** based on John 8:12 **"Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.'"** We are looking forward to a great week filled with Bible encounters, games, arts and crafts, singing and worship. To help things go smoothly here are a few reminders:



● We will be **starting the day at 9:00 a.m.** and ending the sessions at either 11:30 a.m. for the younger group (4 year olds to those entering kindergarten) or 3:00 p.m. for the older group (those entering 1st grade through 6th grade) **in the sanctuary** (upper level) at Emmanuel Lutheran Church (1036 West A St., Moscow, ID).

Monday—Wear an outfit that says something about you!

Tuesday—Crazy hair day! The crazier, the better!

Wednesday—Inside out, backwards, mismatched clothes day!

Thursday—Wear one color day!

Friday—Aloha/water day (1-5th grades should bring a swim suit and beach towel—for the afternoon,—wear sunscreen too!)

● **Check-in begins at 8:30am daily!** All youth will need to be checked in and/or registered, **and signed out at pick up time** at the end of the day **in the narthex area** (entry area of the church on the upper level). This is very important so we may ensure the safety of all the participants. **Parents are responsible for filling out a name tag for each child using the template provided** (the bordered name tag keys us that the child has an allergy or intolerance; this difference should be inconspicuous to the children at large).

● You are invited to stay as long as you would like and are encouraged to join us for Opening Worship at 9:00 a.m. each morning and Closing Worship at around 2:30 p.m. if you are able.

● A mid-morning snack* will be provided for all ages. The snack menu/schedule is:

Monday—Gorp! (raisins, popcorn, gluten free marshmallows, M&M's)

Tuesday—Apple Slices & Veggie Straws! (apple slices, gluten free veggie straws)

Wednesday—String Cheese & Tortilla Chips! (string cheese and gluten free tortilla chips)

Thursday—Bananas & Cereal/Chex Mix! (bananas and gluten free cereal mix)

Friday—Cookie Power! (Chocolate covered marshmallow cookies, and other assorted sandwich cookies)

***IMPORTANT: If your child has food allergies or intolerances** and you have any doubt regarding the snack items that we provide (described above), please send a separate 'baggied' snack for your child for that day, clearly labelled with your child's name as well as the grade they are entering. You must give the snack bag to a camp adult leader at registration. **Do not include this snack in their lunch bag;** their lunch bags are stowed elsewhere until lunch time.

● If your child is in the older group (those entering 1st through 6th grade), **please provide them with a sack lunch**—LABELLED with your child's name. If your child(ren)'s lunch needs to stay cool, please use a cold pack or some other means to keep their lunch cool. We will have plenty of water coolers around in which the children may freely get drinks throughout the day (disposable paper drinking cups).

● We will also be spending a lot of time outdoors so please make sure they dress appropriately, wear shoes that they can be active in (like for running), and use sun block or some other sun protection.

● We will be having a **family BBQ / potluck on Thursday** evening from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. We hope you and your family (and friends) will be able to join us. We will provide hot dogs, buns and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We will be sharing songs that we have learned during the week and maybe a skit or two. The **Lutherhaven Trading Post** will also be open that evening if you are interested in purchasing a Lutherhaven T-shirt, water bottle, etc.

We are excited about this week and looking forward to seeing you at this year's VBS/Day Camp! Blessings on your day!

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