



1960s

1970s

The Lord is good! God's love and faithfulness will last forever. PSALM 100:5

continuing promise

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1980s

1990s



BEAR CREEK CAMP

BCC Summer Camp

During our week-long, Sunday through Friday, residential program, campers will experience singing and boating, crafting and hiking, swimming and worship, excitement and reflection. Campers will be surrounded with old and new friends, spending the week in cabins supervised by trained staff. The camp community consists of campers from 1st-12th grade and the Bear Creek Camp experience is a blend of small and large group activities throughout the week.

Each cabin is paired with one other to create a quest group to serve as a small group cohort throughout the week. Each quest group will be together for adventurous activities like hiking and high ropes, teambuilding activities like games and low rope elements, and thoughtful activities like bible study and faith discussions. Quest groups also plan an overnight experience at camp to hike within our 3000 acres to learn and utilize basic camping skills, experience the wonder of God's creation and build community connections unique to time spent apart. Throughout the week, the entire camp community joins together for worships, bonfires, and other program activities including all-camp games and special events.



Just as campers grow and change each year, their experience at camp also grows and changes. Each of our age groups participate in similar types of activities throughout the week that are then geared toward their stage of growth and development and a recognition of the need for building skills over time. Each of these intentional progressions are planned for and trained to summer staff to provide enriching experiences to our entire camp community.



Try Camp

(HALF WEEK PROGRAM)
completed grades 1-2

Juniors

completed grades 2-4

Middlers

completed grades 5-6

Junior High

completed grades 7-8

Seniors

completed grades 9-12



Try Camp and Juniors stay in cabins near our dining hall with modern bath facilities directly within the cabins. Middlers, Junior High and Seniors sleep in cabins centered around updated program buildings that provide group meeting space and modern bath facilities. Should program capacity needs require, canvas platform tents may be utilized at our Senior site.

A note on program flexibility: In this time of uncertainty, we are working hard to make sure that we capture the essential elements of the Bear Creek experience while also keeping our campers, families, and staff as safe as possible. We are closely following the recommendations of state and national health authorities, the American Camp Association, and Lutheran Outdoor Ministries to ensure that all that we do is done with an intentional eye towards safety. Aspects of our programming will necessarily be different this summer than summers before and we will continue to communicate these with our camper families leading up to their time at camp.

Register online at: bearcreekcamp.org

costs & questions

What does camp cost?

Recognizing that families have differing abilities to pay, we are introducing a voluntary tiered pricing structure. Rather than raise prices on all families, tiered pricing essentially asks families with greater financial means to consider selecting a rate the more closely reflects the true cost of camp. Tier selection does not influence the quality of the camp experience, but it does help us to continue to provide excellent programs, staffing, and facilities to everyone that attends BCC.

TIER A - Subsidized: In order to keep camp as affordable as possible, this tier is a rate that is supported by our greater camp community through donations to camperships and other fundraising efforts.

TIER B - Direct Cost: This tier more closely reflects the direct costs of the specific expenses incurred during a camper's week including food, housing, summer staff, and program materials.

TIER C - True Cost: For families who are financially able to pay Tier C pricing, this more accurately reflects the true cost of camp including all aspects of maintaining facilities in good condition, insurance, utilities, and other expenses necessary in operating camp throughout the year. By choosing this tier, you provide for the long-term sustainability and growth of Bear Creek Camp.

	Classic Camp (FULL WEEK)	Try Camp (HALF WEEK)
TIER A - Subsidized	\$495	\$325
TIER B - Direct Cost	\$545	\$375
TIER C - True Cost	\$595	\$425

Are there discounts?

- **Early Bird Incentive:** Those who finalize their registration by March 31, 2021 will receive a free limited-edition camp t-shirt that will be distributed upon arrival at Summer Camp.
 - **Sibling Discount:** First camper is full price, each additional camper from the same household will receive a \$50 discount.
 - **Bring-a-Friend Discount:** For each new friend that signs up, you will get a \$50 credit on your summer camp registration.
- * Credits will be applied to your account once both parties are fully registered for camp. You may not earn more credit than your cost of camp.

Do you offer financial assistance?

All are welcome at camp, regardless of ability to pay. There are often funds available from your local congregation and we encourage you to start with a conversation with your pastor or leadership. Churches are excited that you want to go to camp! In addition to the subsidies of the tiered pricing model, campership funds are available through Bear Creek Camp thanks to the generosity of donors. The full campership form is available at bearcreekcamp.org.

Worry-Free Registration

We have learned a lot from the pandemic and are using best practices to plan for the future. If Bear Creek Camp leadership determines that summer camp poses a health risk to our camper families and staff and opts to cancel, you will be eligible for a full refund including any deposits.

When does camp start?

Camp starts Sunday with Check-In from 2:00 – 4:30 pm.

When does camp end?

Camp concludes with a closing program on Fridays at 4:00 pm or Wednesday at 9:00 am for Try Camp. Further details on closing programs and celebrations will be announced at a later date.

Who are the counselors?

Bear Creek Camp counselors are committed to the Bear Creek Camp experience, love serving as role models for youth, and actively live out their Christian faith. These college-aged individuals undergo a formal application process, background checks, and two weeks of extensive training to ensure campers have a great experience.

More questions?

Visit the FAQs section of our website at bearcreekcamp.org.



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Family Camp

During this fun-filled week, families will be able to experience the many amazing things that Bear Creek Camp has to offer. Mornings will start off with chapel and worship. Afterward, kids will be split up by age groups for Bible Study and games while the adults have the opportunity to participate in a daily themed discussion with our Chaplain for the week. Afternoons bring all sorts of fun Free Time activities for the whole family. Enjoy your time swimming, playing games, zip lining, doing crafts, hiking and LOTS more! The evenings offer a variety of family-oriented activities which will be fun for all ages; including an optional "overnight" experience where your family can experience a classic camp-out in the woods. Plus we will celebrate the 4th of July in style with games and fireworks! The week will end on Friday after lunch.

All of the above, plus three meals a day prepared by our chef, and private accommodations, will make this an affordable and relaxing family vacation.

Pricing is per-person. Ages 3 and under are free.

Retreat Center Cabins

Ages 3-6 (\$170/person) Ages 7+ (\$320/person)

Program Site Cabins

Ages 3-6 (\$160/person) Ages 7+ (\$295/person)

Program Site Tents

Ages 3-6 (\$145/person) Ages 7+ (\$270/person)

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Artist's Retreat

Surround yourself with the beauty of nature to support and inspire your art. This full week program is designed to provide the artist with an opportunity to work in a variety of natural environments including lakes, streams, meadows and woodlands.

Pricing is \$295 per person.

The Artists' Retreat coincides with Bear Creek Camp's Family Camp which will allow the artist to cross over to all events.



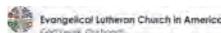
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Explore, celebrate & grow in God's creation!

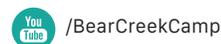
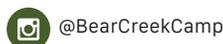
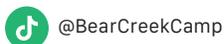
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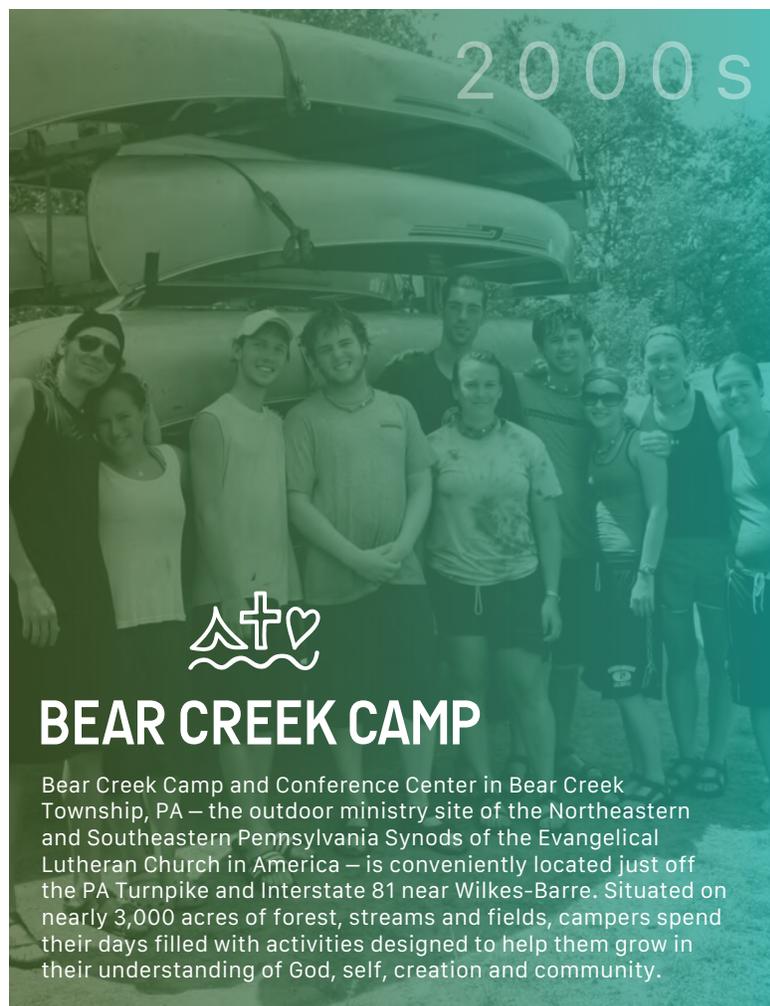


Be a part of our story this **SUMMER 2021!**

- SESSION 1** June 20 - 25*
- SESSION 2** June 27 - July 2*
- SESSION 3** July 4 - 9
- SESSION 4** July 11 - 16*
- SESSION 5** July 18 - 23
- SESSION 6** July 25 - 30
- SESSION 7** August 1 - 6
- SESSION 8** August 8 - 13

*Try camp is available Sunday-Wednesday sessions 1, 2, and 4

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bearcreekcamp.org



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Bear Creek Camp and Conference Center in Bear Creek Township, PA – the outdoor ministry site of the Northeastern and Southeastern Pennsylvania Synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America – is conveniently located just off the PA Turnpike and Interstate 81 near Wilkes-Barre. Situated on nearly 3,000 acres of forest, streams and fields, campers spend their days filled with activities designed to help them grow in their understanding of God, self, creation and community.