## DAY CAMPS

## ELEMENTARY CAMPS

Day Camp provides all of the fun and adventure of our residential camp programs without spending the night. Each day will provide plenty of time for swimming, arts and crafts, Bible study, boating, nature lessons, teambuilding, singing, visiting the Farm and more!

Camp runs Monday through Friday, with each day beginning with check-in at 9 am and concluding at pick-up at 5 pm. Lunch is provided with our weekly campers in the dining hall; campers will also have the opportunity to cookout a lunch during the week, just as our residential campers cookout a dinner each week.

Day campers are invited to spend Friday night at camp, joining our closing campfire with their counselors. All parents and day campers are invited to join the whole camp Saturday at 10 am for our closing program!

Early arrival (7:30 am) with breakfast and/or late pick-up (7pm) with dinner are available for an additional \$7 a day for either or \$14 a day for both.

This year, we are offering an extra week just for Day Camp during August 15-19!

### Adventurers (2nd-4th grade)

Discover the adventures waiting for you at Holmes!

### **Pioneers** (5th-6th grade)

Seek out new experiences while enjoying your activities, including archery!

### Navigators (7th-9th grade)

Explore all that Holmes has to offer, including the high ropes course!

## STAY OVER WEEKENDS

You've asked for it, and this year we're making it happen! For those campers who just can't get enough of Holmes in one week, we are offering two weekends to stay at Holmes! We will host campers July 16-17, and July 30-31. Campers must be registered for both the week before and the week after the stay over weekend to register for the stay over weekend. Those staying with us July 16-17 will help introduce You and Me campers to Holmes. Those staying with us July 30-31 will be a part of Friends Day. Both weekends, we will travel to a local church for worship Sunday morning.

## FAMILY CAMP

### Family Camp (for families with children 12 years old and younger)

Need some family togetherness time? Looking for a fun vacation for July 4th? Join us as we create a weekend of fun, faith-filled activities here at Holmes! There will be some special fun for July 4th, time for adults and campers to enjoy swimming, Bible study, visiting the Farm and more together and on their own! Camp begins with registration at 3 pm on Friday, and concludes with dinner on Monday.

### You and Me Camp

(entering 1st-3rd grade with an adult companion) (entering 2nd-4th grade) Have you thought camp sounds fun but you're nervous to come alone? Bring a parent, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or some other adult companion to camp with you! You will join other campers and their adult companions This half week camp is designed for our first time in a family community as counselors share camp campers and allows them to "discover" what an activities with you. You will enjoy time creating arts and overnight camp experience away from home is all crafts, swimming, boating, visiting the Farm and about! Come enjoy camp activities such as arts learning about God as you strengthen your special and crafts, Bible study, boating, games, swimming, relationship with your adult companion! Camp begins teambuilding and more while growing in faith and with registration at 3 pm on Friday, and concludes with creating memories that will last a lifetime. lunch on Sunday.





### Discoverers

## Sun afternoon to Tuesday afternoon

### Wed afternoon to Saturday morning

### Explorers

### (entering 3rd-4th grade)

Come and explore camp! Experience a week living with fellow campers building trust, making new friends, and learning to live in community. Enjoy being away from home and learn new things about God, yourself and others as you participate in camp activities including boating, visiting the Farm, swimming, campfires, cookout, worship and more.



### **Culinary Creators** entering 3rd-6th grade)

Do you enjoy spending time in the kitchen, creating tasty things for your family and friends? Come spend half of your day in the camp kitchen with Chef Bobby, learning culinary skills, food safety and new recipes! The rest of your day will be spent enjoying some of your favorite camp activities, such as Bible study, swimming, hiking, arts and crafts and boating!

### **Nature Explorers**

Calling all aspiring actors, musicians and artists! Spend half of your day in improvisation, musical theatre and Do you enjoy staying up late and sleeping in? This is the camp for you! You'll start your day with (entering 3rd-6th grade) God has created an amazing world filled with plants and animals of all kinds - spend half of your performance technique workshops as you work to create a performance to share Saturday morning. The rest of breakfast while everyone else is eating lunch, lunch during their dinner and cookout your own day exploring God's wonderful creation here at Holmes! You'll get to spend some extra time at the your time will be spent enjoying some of your favorite camp activities, including Bible study, bakery, boating and dinner around 10:30 pm. During the day, you'll enjoy swimming, boating, visits to the Farm and Farm, investigate the lakes, hike to parts of Holmes you've never seen before, and experience some teambuilding. You will also get to travel to a nearby theater for a children's theater performance. Invite your family more; after dark you'll get to explore Holmes and worship under the stars, as well as games perfect of your favorite camp activities like boating, swimming, Bible study and cookout! to come Saturday morning for your performance at the beginning of the week's closing program! to play in the dark. Bring your flashlight and extra batteries to keep up with the fun!!!!

## JUNIOR CAMPS

### (entering 5th-6th grade)

Pathfinders

cookouts and worship.

Saddle Up!

Find your path as you embark in community with fellow campers! With your new friends, you will enjoy learning about yourself, God and others as you are challenged by fun camp activities! Camp favorites include archer, arts and crafts, Bible study, boating, hiking, swimming, low ropes, campfires,

### (entering 5th-6th grade)

Are you a horse lover? Enjoy the fun of camp activities along with horseback riding for beginner and intermediate riders! You will spend part of each day enjoying lessons in basic horse care, safety and riding techniques at Crosswinds Equestrian Center in Lagrangeville. NY (www.crosswindseguestrian.com). The rest of your day will be filled with some of your favorite camp activities. Participants will need long pants and sturdy footwear with heels for riding; all other safety equipment is provided.

activities

**Arts and Arrows** 

(entering 5th-6th grade)

Do you enjoy archery, or want to learn? Does the

idea of using your imagination to create your own

target sound fun? Can you imagine spectacular

artwork being made using archery? Come join

our Archery/Arts and Craft Coordinator, Cindy, to

do all of that, and some of the traditional Holmes





### Aquatic Adventurers

### (entering 5th-6th grade & 7th-9th grade)

If you love spending time in or on the water, you'll love this week! You'll spend lots of time swimming, learning boating and canoeing skills, playing water games and more. You'll also have the opportunity to put your new canoeing skills to the test with a day trip exploring Lake Dutchess, on the edge of camp.

Trailblazers

worship.

Saddle Up!

(entering 7th-9th grade)

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Blaze new trails in your life as part of community

with your fellow campers. Your week is filled with

well-loved camp activities like archery, Bible study,

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### M.A.D. - Music. Art & Drama

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## JUNIOR HIGH CAMPS

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### Click It!

### (entering 7th-HS graduate)

Do you love taking pictures? Do you have a camera and want to improve your photography skills? Spend part of your day learning composition, editing skills and more as you capture moments around camp. Your pictures will be shared at Saturday's closing program and may be used in future promotional pieces! Participants will need to provide their own camera.

### **Mission Possible**

### (entering 7th-HS graduate)

Are you interested in putting your faith into action and making a difference? Join other youth and guests as you explore ways you can impact the world around you! You'll have hands-on opportunities to work with the Farm and our local community. Come prepared to have fun and work hard!!!

### **Night Owl**

### (entering 7th-9th grade & 10th grade-High School graduate)

## SENIOR HIGH CAMPS

### **Extreme Adventurers** (entering 8th-HS graduate)

For the experienced camper with a sense of adventure! Come squeeze as much adventure as you can into one week! You will enjoy putting your skills to the test as you embark on overnight trips, hiking on the Appalachian Trail and canoeing on a scenic river! Join others as you take in the wonders of God's creation



### L.I.T.E. - Leaders in Training Experience (entering 12th grade-HS graduate)

Are you ready to be more than just a camper at Holmes? During your two weeks as L.I.T.E you may technically be a camper, but will have the opportunity to step out in faith, try new things and grow in responsibility in the supportive Christian community of Holmes. You'll spend some time learning how to be a leader, how to work with children, and how you can share your talents and skills with the Holmes community. There will be opportunities to receive various certifications during the program, and the potential to return as a junior staff member later in the summer.

Additional application is required once you've registered. Contact the camp office for details.

### Wayfarers

### (entering 10th-HS graduate)

Looking to enjoy all your favorite things at Holmes without staying up late or committing to stay for two weeks? This camp allows you to enjoy all that you love of camp, perhaps in new ways! Come be challenged by camp activities and conversations that teach you more about God, you and others!



### S.A.L.T. - Service & Leadership Training (entering 10th-11th grade)

Are you looking for ways to be part of the ministry at Holmes? During these two weeks, you will help with a small building project for camp, develop activities for children attending a Hudson River Presbytery meeting at Holmes, plan and lead worship for Friends Day and a local congregation, spend a day tubing on a nearby river, as well as all your favorite camp activities! S.A.L.T gives you the chance to explore what it means to be the servant leaders Jesus calls us to be.

### Once you have registered please submit a letter of recommendation from your pastor or youth leader.

## 2016 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

All Elementary and Junior Camps, and You and Me Camp, live in the South Unit Cabins at Westminster. All Junior High and Senior High Camps live in the Cedarkirk Tents at Denton Lake. Family Camp will live in Agape. Day Camp will spend their sleepover in Cabin 1 Havden and Steidl.

	July 3 - 9	July 10 - 16	July 17 - 23	July 24 - 30	July 31 - August 6	August 7 - 13	August 14 - 20
Elementary Day entering 2nd - 4th grades	Adventurers July 5 - 9 \$160	Adventurers July 11 - 15 \$195	Adventurers July 18 - 22 \$195	Adventurers July 25 - 29 \$195	Adventurers August 1 - 5 \$195	Adventurers August 8-12 \$195	Adventurers August 15-19 \$195
Junior Day entering 5th - 6th grades	Pioneers July 5 - 9 \$160	Pioneers July 11 - 15 \$195	Pioneers July 18 - 22 \$195	Pioneers July 25 - 29 \$195	Pioneers August 1 - 5 \$195	Pioneers August 8-12 \$195	Pioneers August 15-19 \$195
Junior High Day entering 7th - 9th grades	Navigators July 5 - 9 \$160	Navigators July 11 - 15 \$195	Navigators July 18 - 22 \$195	Navigators July 25 - 29 \$195	Navigators August 1 - 5 \$195	Navigators August 8-12 \$195	Navigators August 15-19 \$195
Elementary Residential entering 2nd - 4th grades	Explorers (3rd - 4th) July 5-9 \$450	Explorers (3rd - 4th) \$675	Discovers (2nd - 4th) Sun-Tues OR Wed-Sat Nature Explorers (3rd-6th) \$690	Explorers (3rd - 4th) \$675	Culinary Creators (3rd-6th) \$690		
Junior Residential entering 5th - 6th grades		Saddle Up! \$870	Nature Explorers (3rd-6th) \$690	Pathfinders \$675 Aquatic	Culinary Creators (3rd-6th) \$690		
	11-Day Pathfinders July 5 - 16 \$1,000		Arts and Arrows \$690	Adventurers \$680	M.A.D \$690		
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	11-Day Trailblazers July 5 - 16 \$1,000			Click It! (7th- HS graduate) \$680	Extreme Adventurers (8th-HS graduate) \$720	Mission Possible (7th - HS graduate) \$720	
Senior High Residential entering 10th grade - HS graduate		Wayfarers \$675	Night Owl \$690	Click It! (7th- HS graduate) \$680	Extreme Adventurers (8th-HS graduate) \$720	Night Owl \$690 Mission	
	L.I.T.E (11h grade - graduates) July 5 - 16 \$1,000			(10th - 1 July 24	A.L.T. Ith grades) - August 6 ,000	Possible (7th - HS graduate) \$720	
Family Camps	Family Camp July 1- 4 \$125 Adults You and Me July 15 - 17 \$150 Adult   \$100 Child 6- 12 \$50 Child 2-5 \$150 Child 1st - 3rd grad		5 - 17 Adult				
	***Stay Over Weekend*** \$125			er Weekend*** 125			

## **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

### **On-Line Registration**

To register online, visit our website at www.HolmesCamp.org. When you click on the Summer Camp Tab at top of the page, you will find the link to the Online Registration on the right side of the page.

### **Payment Options**

To register you are required to pay the \$75 non-refundable deposit for each session. The deposit is required to reserve your space in a camp. The balance of the camp fee is due 2 weeks before your session. You may pay online, mail a check or pay by credit card. If you are sending a check please make payable to: HOLMES PRESBYTERIAN CAMP

### Once You Have Registered

Upon receipt of your registration form or online registration and payment of your non-refundable \$75 deposit, you will be sent a confirmation letter, a what to bring list and directions to Holmes. We utilize an online Health History and Examination Form to help maintain camper health information in a secure location. Once you've completed the online Health History, there is a form to be printed and signed by a doctor. When completed, please scan the forms and submit online or return them with the balance of the camp fee 2 weeks before your session.

### **Discounts** (Only 2 discounts may be applied per camper.)

Day Camp fee will be discounted \$10 if paid in full before May 1, 2016, or at Open House on May 22, 2016. No other discounts can be applied to Day Camp fees.

### Early Bird - Subtract \$50 from your camp fee

Full fees must be received by May 1, 2016 or at Open House on May 22, 2016.

Bring a Friend (a friend who has never been to Holmes before) - Subtract \$50 from your camp fee Make sure you list your friend's name on your registration form. This discount will be applied when we receive their registration.

- Sibling Subtract \$25 from each additional camper fee
  - Register your family members at the same time on separate forms
  - Make sure you list your sibling's name on your registration form.
  - This discount will be applied when we receive all of your registrations and deposits.

Multiple Week Discount - Subtract \$25 from your camp fee

When you register for more then one camp session at one time.

### Scholarships

Whether it is a financial need for sending one camper or multiple sibling campers, please visit our website www.HolmesCamp.org or call the Holmes office for more information and a campership form.

### Cancellations

A refund of all but the \$75 non-refundable deposit will be returned to you if a cancellation is made at least 2 weeks before the session begins. After this, there are no refunds. If a camper is sent home sick, your fee will not be returned, but the camper may return at a later time if there is space available.



Thanks to generous donations at our Fall Benefit Reception, we are adding an Aquaglide Freefall Slide to our waterfront! Campers and quests will be able to enjoy new fun during swim time!

In 1946, New York area Presbyterians purchased land to start camp ministry at Denton Lake. 70 years later, we are still inviting youth, families and churches to step away from their everyday lives, enjoying God's creation as they create memories as a Christian community at Holmes. Join us as we celebrate 70 years of ministry at Holmes!



Our summer program develops self-esteem and self-confidence by encouraging each camper to:

- Demonstrate respect for self, authority and the rights and property of others.
- Develop responsibility through group living tasks.
- Form an interest in exploring and enjoying the natural environment.
- Express creativity through crafts, problem solving, worship and personal interactions.

### Accreditation

To further assure parents that their children will enjoy a fun, safe, In/camp meaningful experience, Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference ACCREDITED Center has voluntarily submitted to the accreditation process of the American Camp Association. This organization is the only nationally recognized group governing youth camping professionals. Having this accreditation means we have met the highest standards in the quality of camp health, safety, programming, personnel, and administration.

Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center conducts summer camp with a permit issued by Putnam County according to New York State Health Department regulations for Children's Summer Camps. The County Health Department regularly visits during the summer to ensure compliance with these regulations.



Natasha Taylor, Summer Camp and Youth Programs Director, has a degree in Outdoor Recreation Leadership and Management from Northern Michigan University. Natasha has spent many summers working at Presbyterian camps in the United States and Canada.

## **Summer Theme**

### **Fearless Faith: Courage in Community**

This summer we'll explore the power of communities of faith, learning stories of the amazing things that can happen when we follow God and share life together. At Holmes, campers spend their weeks in small family groups, which help us create a safe environment for everyone to share who they are and how God is working in their lives. Each day, our chaplain and worship leaders help counselors and campers study Scripture and faith during Bible Study and Vespers. Ask former campers how the strength of Christian community casts out fear and replaces it with hope!

Register online at www.HolmesCamp.org

## **COMING IN 2016!!!**

## **Our Mission Statement**

Holmes Presbyterian Camp and Conference Center: A welcoming Christian Community responding to God's call where lives change and faith grows in a natural setting.

Engage in Bible study and verbally demonstrate an understanding of Christian community.

The Rev. Peter Surgenor, Executive Director, is an American Camp Association Certified Camp Director, which means he has undergone additional evaluation and study. He has been a professional camp director for over 30 years.





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# Summer Camp 2016

