

March 5, 2019

Greetings in Christ!

Much of the state received another 4-5 inches or more last week and the forecast is for another up to 8 or 9 inches later this week, before we get some warmer weather. The extended forecast for March 16, the rescheduled date for the **Polar Plunge** is for temps in the low 30s. The plunge will take place at about 2:00 pm.

It is looking more and more like snow removal will be a part of our **Spring Clean-up**. It is coming up on the first Saturday in May. Lots of work to do. Sign up now.

Many of you know that we are moving forward with many new programs and services over the next couple of years. It is a big challenge and we are finding every way that we can to keep camp fees as low as possible. To that end we are sharing with you a wish list of items that you can help purchase for us. These are items that we need by the time summer camp starts and will have to spend money on if groups, families, or individuals don't step up to purchase them for us. [Click here](#) to be taken to our **Needs List**. We encourage you to start your shopping by supporting Lutheran Island Camp through Amazon Smile which also benefits Lutheran Island Camp.

Summer 2019 Program Highlight:

Voyageur/Teen Trek Big Fish Camp

You'll have some great fishing stories to tell after this week! Each year we catch large Northern, several 4 lb. and better bass, walleye, giant crappies, and a couple of nice Muskies. We expect you to know fishing, be willing to learn more, and bring your own equipment. We have instituted some new safety policies and procedures and there will be a limit of 12 campers each week unless additional volunteers and boats become available.

Ages: Voyageur (12-14) Teen Trek (14-18)

Dates and Rate: June 9-14. \$410

Deposit: \$100

Shoes for the Mission continues. After shipping 3600 lbs last week we are ready to move forward with the next effort. We are looking for a few individuals, a youth group, or family that would take on this project. You would periodically come to camp to sort, bag, and weigh the shoes. 3-6 people would be ideal.

As you **begin Lent in your congregation** consider inviting someone from camp to come and visit your church on a Wednesday to visit with parents and children. It might be another great way to promote camp. Just give us a call to set something up.

The Quilt Auction is set for August 3rd. Last year was a great success with over \$40,000 brought in by donations, Thrivent Action Grants, and the auction itself. The information is up on our website under Events. The forms for donating quilts and silent auction items are also available.

Question and Answer:

Question: So where are you putting all of the snow?

Answer: It has been a real challenge for Marvin. We have both a tractor with a blower and the skidsteer with a blower. Our challenge is becoming the causeway which is starting to be banked on both sides. Fortunately, thanks to our donors, we have the equipment to get things cleaned up.

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