

2017 Episcopal Church Camp-Junior Session

Dear Junior Campers and Parents,

Our theme this year is, Molded by the Father. We are planning the Junior Session of ECC-2017 with our favorite activities-swimming, campfires, hayride, songs, pizza and skit night, hula-hoops, volleyball, kickball, nine-square, cookouts, archery, nature walks, crafts, and of course, lots of worship!

These activities are selected to keep 1st to 5th graders happy and busy! And it all happens in the beautiful outdoor setting of East Bay Camp on Lake Bloomington, Illinois! If you want to see what our campers are up to each day, visit our blog at eccillinois.org throughout the week. We will be sharing photos, videos, or stories so that you can see all of the fun.

As Junior Session Director, with my team of qualified counselors, I will look after the well-being of each camper who comes to us. We will learn, pray, worship, and play together in our Christian community. Each child, as a part of that community, accepts the responsibility of following and obeying rules established by the ECC. These rules are summed up:

- Respect and honor the dignity of every camper and counselor.
- Participate fully in all activities.
- Stay with our group.

Camp this year will begin on Sunday, July 2nd and end on Saturday, July 8th. **Check in for all campers will begin at 1:00 PM on the July 2nd.** Parents, I am asking that you DO NOT arrive earlier than this to check your camper(s) into camp. The camp commissioning service is scheduled for 3:30, so it is best that they arrive no later than 2:30. You are encouraged to stay for the commissioning service before leaving your camper(s) for the week.

Items to Bring:

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| -2 pairs of shoes, closed toes are best | -any needed medicines with directions |
| -jacket/sweatshirt | -Bible |
| -6 or more outfits | -sleeping bag/sheets/pillow |
| -3 towels | -white t-shirt for tie-dye |
| -1-piece swimsuit, towel, flip-flops | -toothbrush & paste, shampoo, soap |
| -goggles, if needed | -water bottle or cup to refill throughout the week |
| -2 pair of long pants | -flashlight |
| -raincoat or poncho | -laundry bag |
| -pajamas | -quiet activities--books, crayons & paper |
| -socks | -insect repellent |
| -sunscreen | -a Great Attitude |

Items to Leave at Home (if brought to camp will be collected at registration):

- no cell phones - electronic games (gameboy, DS systems, etc.)
- no water toys &/or water balloons
- no two piece swimsuits
- no aerosol cans

I encourage you to write to your camper(s) during the week; the children really enjoy hearing from home.

Camper's Name
ECC/Woodscamp
East Bay Camp
23248 Ron Smith Memorial Highway
Hudson, IL 61748-7552

Please don't send food for campers while at camp, they can disrupt our planned activities and attract critters to the cabins. We serve lots of food, drinks, and snacks. Campers will have a few chances during the week to shop at the East Bay Camp Store which offers t-shirts, cups, stuffed animals, etc. so you may leave \$10 to \$20 with the counselors at registration when you arrive. We will make sure it is safe and available at shopping times. Any unused money will be returned to you at check out on Saturday.

The Closing Service will be at 9:30 AM on Saturday at the Ark. This is the covered building at the Maples Campgrounds. Please feel free to attend this service before picking up your camper(s). **We have a specific check out procedure in Juniors. If you wish to take your camper from the Ark, you will have to sign out with me, Carol McCrary. At the close of the service, we will walk back to Woodscamp with the campers who are not signed out so you may sign them out there.**

We are excited to have you at ECC, please call me if you have questions!

Yours in Christ,
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