



Dear Campers,

We are happy and honored you will be a part of a Christ centered summer here at Shetek Lutheran Ministries (SLM). SLM is a great place to gather as a Christian community and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. SLM is accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA) which means our staff are committed to following high safety standards. The SLM summer ministry team is excited to welcome you to camp! **This year will be different with extra procedures in place because of COVID-19.** Please read the enclosed information carefully so that you will know what to expect for your time at camp. If you have additional questions before your arrival, please contact us. - **The SLM Staff**

Arrival Time: Sunday 3:00-3:30pm

Please arrive no earlier than the designated time so that we may be available to welcome you, as staff are busy with other responsibilities until that time. If you are unable to arrive at this time please contact SLM to notify us of your expected arrival.

Departure Time: 11:30 - 12:00pm

In lieu of our typical picnic lunch, we will send your camper with a packed lunch for the ride home. If your camper needs to leave early it is SLM's policy that a Camper Release Form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian. To receive this form, please see camp's website or contact camp.

Shetek Lutheran Ministries

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Directions to SLM

SLM is located in Southwest Minnesota about 8 miles north of Slayton on Lake Shetek.

For more detailed directions go to SLM's website.

From Highway 59: From the north or the south, turn east on Valhalla Rd. You'll follow Valhalla for about 2 miles and will cross three causeways. The road will fork, but stay to the left. Follow signs for Shetek Lutheran Ministries which will be on your left.

Coming from the West or East: Take Highway 30 to Highway 59. Go north on Highway 59 then follow the directions above.

Packing List

- Completed Health Form & Medications
- Sleeping Bag & Pillow
- Pajamas
- Personal Toiletries: toothbrush, soap, etc.
- Beach Towel, Towel & Washcloth
- Sunscreen & Bug Spray
- Shorts & T-Shirts for warm weather (that dry easily)
- Pants & Long-Sleeved Shirt for cool weather (Layers)
- Socks & Underwear
- Sturdy Shoes (closed toed shoes for running)
- Water shoes/Sandals with backs/old Tennis Shoes
- Sandals/old shoes for canoeing
- Modest Swimsuit & Towel
- Hat or Bandana
- Rain Jacket or Poncho
- Bible
- Water Bottle
- **Cloth Face Masks (3)**

You may want to mark belongings with the camper's name. Lost and found is held after the summer camp season for 4 weeks, after which articles are donated to a worthy cause. We do our best to get items that are left behind to their owners, but camp is NOT responsible for lost or stolen items. **Please leave all valuables at home.**

Please Do Not Bring:

- Cell Phone
- Fireworks
- Electronics of any kind (iPod, Video Games, etc.)
- Weapons
- Tobacco, E-Cigs, Alcohol, or Drugs

Camp Life in 2021

Housing: X-Treme Outcamp is a unique opportunity for campers to be in the outdoors. In this off-site program, campers will canoe to and stay on various campsites on Lake Shetek. Campers will stay in tents. In the case of severe weather, campers will be brought to SLM and stay at camp.

Meals: Most of the meals for X-treme Outcamp will be cooked and prepared over a fire by campers and staff. We strive to provide quality and nutritious food. If you have special dietary concerns, please be sure to notify camp ahead of time and indicate it on your health form.

Day-to-Day: Campers participate in many activities throughout a typical X-treme Outcamp day including Bible study, swimming, games, canoeing, etc. - all in God's creation!

Staff: The summer ministry team consists of young adults who are committed to safety, loving youth, and following Jesus. All of our summer staff complete an application, interview, background check, training, and are certified in CPR/First Aid. All of our staff have also gone through the pre-screening process before camp started.

Health Care: Camper's medical needs will be cared for daily by summer staff. Camper's temperatures will be taken twice a day. All our summer staff members are first-aid certified and trained in CPR. All medications will be turned in to the Health Care Staff upon arrival, **along with the pre-screening form. Please have medications labeled in a zip lock bag when you arrive.** Campers will have the opportunity to discuss individual needs with the Health Care Manager during orientation. If a camper becomes ill during the camp session, they will be treated according to written and approved doctor's treatment procedures. If a camper has a temperature of over 100.4, or other symptoms of COVID-19, the camper will be isolated and the parents/guardians will pick them up and bring them home. SLM Staff will notify a parent/guardian if your camper requires any advanced medical care beyond the basic care provided by the camp health staff. Please be sure to notify camp of any special physical or dietary needs before your arrival at camp so our staff can make proper arrangements. If you did not fill it out online, bring your completed health history form with you to camp!

Insurance Information: SLM carries secondary accident insurance on each camper but does not carry health or sickness insurance. In the event of an accident or sickness, medical bills will be directed to the camper's parents for their insurance to pay. Expenses not covered by the family policy due to accident, may be sent to SLM and submitted to our insurance company.

Code of Conduct: All campers and parents/guardians should read through the enclosed behavior policy and sign the health form to acknowledge that you have read it.

Camp Fees/Payments: In order to minimize contact, final payments, excluding payments made by your congregation, will be due BEFORE you arrive. Make payments through our website or mail your payment to the address below.

Worship Offering: Each camper is encouraged to consider making a monetary offering to support other ministries. Campers will learn more about the ministry made possible through these gifts during a camp worship. If you would like to share a gift, please submit it online with your payment. Camper offerings will be shared equally with:

- **Bangladesh School Project:** The school provides quality educational services for children experiencing poverty in the Dinajpur and Rangpur areas of Bangladesh. In the past we have provided tuition, desks, and support to build a playground.
- **Camp Love's Embrace:** A local overnight children's grief camp for children ages 7-14 who have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, grandparent, best friend, or other person of significance in their lives.

Camp Store (Canteen): Because X-treme Outcamp is an offsite program there is not a daily camp store time. Campers need to put money on account before arrival to purchase clothing or novelty items. However, snacks have been incorporated into campers' time each day. Purchases will be deducted from the account and the balance refunded on the last day of the camp session. The camp store will NOT be open at registration or at pick up.

Mail and Phone: If you send mail or email a note from your Campwise/registration account, campers will not receive it until their departure from camp, as X-treme Outcamp is an offsite program and we do not deliver mail on a daily basis. We ask that campers leave cell phones at home as it distracts from the camp experience and there is limited reception once on the lake. Phone calls are discouraged with the exception of emergencies.

CAMPER MAIL:

Camper Name

SLM Week/Counselor (if known)

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