



Shepherd's Spring
Outdoor Ministry Center

Summer Camp 2018

adventures for all ages



strengthening friendship
one heart at a time

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An oasis of exceptional natural beauty, Shepherd's Spring welcomes all to encounter the peace of Christ, be renewed in community, and grow as leaders.

Adult and Training Camps

Learn new skills, share time and talent. Help create meaningful experiences for the guests and campers at Shepherd's Spring. Please contact us if you would like to volunteer or apply for summer staff roles.



Volunteer Training: Ages 18+
Saturday, June 23 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.
 Have a passion for working with young people and sharing time with youth in the outdoors? Become a week-long volunteer counselor this summer. Contact our Camp Coordinator, Ben Skroban and find out about leading young people closer to Christ through community and the beauty of God's creation. Training day lunch provided.

Adult Camps: Ages 18+
May 20-24

August 19-23 Cost: \$650 (\$670 after 2/28)
 Hike, bike, and paddle all in one week. Enjoy free time in the evenings to explore the trails, soak in nature, and celebrate at campfires. Take in a local history talk and enjoy spectacular meals prepared by our chefs.

Summer Staff Training Ages 19+
June 17-26

Contact us to apply for this summer job.

LIT: Leaders in Training Ages 16-18
June 21-23 Cost \$75

Are you ready to grow in servant leadership? Experience what it is like to be a camp counselor. Spend a few days training and then shadow a counselor. After completing the L.I.T. session, participants may be invited back as volunteers for an additional week of camp.

Traditional Camps

Our traditional camps blend fun and faith through a variety of activities and camper choices. A progression of activity allows campers to return to Shepherd's Spring each year anticipating new discoveries about God. Each traditional camp includes at least:

- Arts & Crafts
- Garden Activity
- Campfire Cookout
- Daily Pool Time
- Daily Song & Games
- Daily Worship and Bible Study



Mini Camp: Grades 2-3
July 1-3 Cost: \$225 (\$245 after 2/28)

The perfect week for first-time, young campers. Daily activities include songs, arts & crafts, Bible stories, games, outdoor play and more. Campers develop friendships, learn independence, and work on sharing and teamwork, all in a safe, supervised camp setting.

Junior Camp: Grades 3-5
July 15-20 Cost: \$400 (\$420 after 2/28)

Join our youngest full-week camp filled with a variety of activities, from swimming and art to caving and hiking. Camper choice lets you decide what activities you would like to do. Learn about God's creation while making a lot of new friends.

Middler Camp: Grades 6-8
July 8-13 Cost: \$415 (\$435 after 2/28)

Like to play Ultimate Frisbee at night? Ever paddled down the river? Do this and more while having an amazing time full of fun, faith, and friends. Each day is packed with activities including swimming, special events, crafts, large-group games, and so much more.

Youth Camp: Grades 9-12
June 27-30* Cost: \$320 (\$340 after 2/28)

Live in community surrounded by the woods and nature. Spend time alone with God, as well as in large-group games and night hikes. Adventures like caving, canoeing and art are all waiting for you. It's a great chance to meet other youth before going to National Youth Conference.



 ***Shorter Week for 2018**

Adventure & Specialty Camps provide more hands-on experiences to boost faith and fun. In addition to our traditional camp activities, these camps offer a greater number of adventures based on the focus of each camp. Experienced volunteers and professional staff provide campers with unique opportunities for growth.

Intergenerational Camps are wonderful opportunities to explore together! Younger campers feel safer with their familiar adults around. Older campers get to relive the joys of discovery and pass along their faith traditions.



Outdoor Adventure: Grades 6-12
 July 22-27 Cost: \$435 (\$455 after 2/28)
 Can't get enough of sleeping outdoors? We'll be cooking over a campfire, whitewater rafting and swimming. Enjoy nature and God's creation. Campers will be divided into two skill levels. One for the more experienced and one for those just starting out. Activities cater to the skills and comfort of the campers. Discover the adventure waiting in God's world!



Creative Arts: Grades 4-8
 July 8-13 Cost: \$435 (\$455 after 2/28)
 How does a whole week of art sound? Explore the world of art through a large variety of activities. Release your inner artist and enjoy a week of camp getting your hands colorfully dirty while learning about Jesus at the same time. Grow your faith and your skills. Limited spots available so register early.



JAM Camp: Grades 3-6
 July 29-31 Cost: \$225 (\$245 after 2/28)
 Jam with us as multiple ages come together to create a diverse camp experience. Hiking, caving, and crafts are all waiting for you.

Big & Small Camp:
 July 6-7 Ages 6-10 w/adult 18+
 Cost per pair: \$170 (\$210 after 2/28)
 Share camp experiences with your child. Parents, aunts and uncles are all invited to bring a lucky kid to camp. This program provides bonding time with silly songs and games, swimming, and crafts. Everyone knows a child that can benefit from camp.

Grand Camp: Ages 6-10 w/grandparent
 A July 6-7 Cost per pair: \$220 (\$260 after 2/28)
 B July 29-31 Cost per pair: \$293 (\$335 after 2/28)

This is an excellent opportunity to see our camp in action and spend quality time with grandkids. Make lasting memories. Swimming, short hikes, and crafts are topped off with campfires. Spend one or two nights in the lodge and enjoy God's creation with us as your guide.

Family Camp: All Ages
 August 3-5 Cabin \$440 (\$480 after 2/28)*
 Lodge \$540 (\$580 after 2/28)*
 Tenting \$290 (\$310 after 2/28)*

*for family up to four, addl charge for additional people. Includes meals. New, improved and extended. You won't miss out on any of the classic camp moments but be prepared for a few new surprises this year. Intrigued? Sign up and find out what we have in store. **Please let us know in advance of any under age 6.**

Ice Cream Social: Everyone
 August 5 1 pm - 4 pm Free
 Join us for a dip of ice cream and a dip in the pool. Famous Nutter's ice cream served. Bring your favorite topping to share and visit with friends old and new.



Registration & Scholarship Info



Camp Staff are trained in safety, first aid, conflict resolution, community building and other specialties. Counselors help campers meet friends and recognize the fingerprints of God all around.

Making Camp Affordable
Many churches offer assistance with summer camp fees. Ask your Youth Advisor, Pastor or Shepherd's Spring Ambassador about church scholarships.

Shepherd's Spring also offers these savings:

- **Register before 2/28 for discount rates**
- **Sibling Discount** - \$20 off week-long camps for both sibs
- **Work Camp Discount** - \$50 off week-long camps for participating in a Church of the Brethren Work Camp

Need additional help? Ask your congregation or apply for a 25%-50% Shepherd's Spring Camp scholarship. Go to <https://shepherdsspring.org/go/summer-camp-forms/> for an application form and submit with registration before **May 1**.

How Do We Keep the Cost of Camp So Low?
Campers pay only a portion of the cost of their camp experience. Shepherd's Spring is supported in part by the Mid-Atlantic District Church of the Brethren, individual congregations and individual donors, as well as many volunteers.

Registration Instructions:

Please read before filling in the registration form

- Please select a first and second choice of camp sessions according to the grade level completed.
- Every camper needs his/her own registration form including grandparents and adult campers.
- **Find health forms and the parent packet on our website. Please bring completed forms to check-in.**
- Campers may request ONE person as a cabin mate. The other person must also request to be cabin mates. Cabin assignments are made prior to camp opening so cabin mate requests made at check-in cannot be honored.
- Parent/guardian AND the camper MUST sign the registration form.
- If your church is providing scholarship money, please have the pastor or Shepherd's Spring Ambassador also sign the registration and indicate the church's scholarship amount.
- Mail the registration form and a \$50 NON-REFUNDABLE fee payable to Shepherd's Spring.
- Registration period closes **June 11, 2018**.
- You will receive confirmation once registration is received.
- New Campers - immunization record required at check-in.

Online Registration

- Visit our website's Camp page. Use the Register and scroll to sign-up for your camps of choice.

Paper Registration

- Complete form on following page and mail to address below.



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Registration Form Bring a friend new to camp and you each get a camp blanket.

Each camper (child or adult) must have a registration form

Last Name _____ First Name _____
 Gender _____ Age at camp _____ Grade completed _____ Birth date _____
 Complete address _____

 Parent/ Guardian Name(s) _____
 E-mail _____ Daytime phone _____
 Cell phone _____ Congregation _____
 First choice camp/date _____ Second choice camp/date _____
 Is this the camper's first time away from home on his/her own? _____
 Cabin Mate Request (ONE only. Cabin Mate must also request you) _____
 Is camper under regular medication? _____ If yes, please list: _____
 Reason for medication: _____
 Please indicate any dietary restrictions, emotional or health problems, or traumatic events in the camper's life, or other information we should be aware of _____

Camper Consent Statement:

I understand that camp is a place to have fun and try new things. I agree to involve myself in all camp activities while respecting others and camp property.

Camper Signature: _____

Parent Consent Statement:

In signing this application, I certify that all information is correct and certify that my child is in good health and may participate in camping activities. I give consent for camp officials to act in any emergency in the best interest of the health and welfare of my child. Should it become necessary for him/her to return home during the week because of illness, accident, homesickness or conduct, I will abide by the camp's decision in this matter and provide transportation.

I give permission to use pictures/videos including my child in camp publicity.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Congregational/Scholarship Support:

Pastor/Ambassador Signature _____ Amount \$ _____

Bring a Sibling - Sibling's Name _____

Work Camp attending _____

I'd like to contribute to the Shepherd's Spring Camp Scholarship Fund Amount \$ _____

Please be aware that a copy of your child's Immunizations record is REQUIRED.

Health, Permission and Medication forms are online. If you prefer to have them mailed to you check here:

Once registration is received you will receive confirmation.

For Office Use Only

Date Received _____
 Camp Cost \$ _____
 Cong Schlshp _____
 SS Schlshp _____
 Work Camp _____
 Sibling _____
 Dep Amount _____
 Check # _____
 Balance Due _____



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