

Normandale Church Boy's and Girls' Choir Camp

COVID Protocol Summer 2021

Our highest priority is to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our campers, chaperones, and camp staff. In accordance with best practices and guidelines from the CDC, ACA, local health authorities, and other medical professionals, we have created these COVID-19 protocols. We will remain in step with best practices and adjust protocols, as necessary. Our protocols, which we feel will help provide safe spaces, will still allow for fun and faith formation to take place.

* We discourage attendance at camp for campers or household members at high risk.

* Arrive healthy! If unvaccinated, please limit exposure with unvaccinated people or crowds for 2 weeks prior to your arrival. We are requesting that you avoid large gatherings, wear masks at all times when with anyone outside of your household, and follow the CDC guidelines for 14 days prior to your camp session.

* **Proof of completed vaccination series or negative COVID test results within 3 days before camp will be required at camp check-in.**

* All people attending camp will complete a health screening at camp check-in including questions regarding COVID symptoms, COVID exposure, and temperature screening.

* To allow for better distancing, we have reduced camper capacity. There will be 7 people per cabin, including an adult chaperone, that normally has 14 occupants.

* We will maintain social distance of 6 feet apart whenever possible.

* We will use the outdoors for as many activities as we can.

* Masks are required indoors for everyone, except while eating and sleeping.

* We will mask outdoors when distancing is not possible, such as during outdoor Worship Services with singing.

* We will encourage frequent handwashing and the use of hand sanitizer.

* Signs will be posted strategically around camp as reminders to practice hand hygiene and social distancing.

* Luther Park will continue to use cleaning products that are both anti-viral and anti-bacterial properties. This includes hand soaps, cleaning detergents, sanitizers, and disinfectants.

* The camp will use enhanced cleaning procedures and common equipment and surfaces will be sanitized regularly. Staff will be trained as to the enhanced COVID-19 cleaning and disinfecting procedures. Sanitizing in facilities includes wiping all high touch areas such as door knobs, light switches, and faucets with disinfectant. Living areas, including cabins, will be swept and have trash removed daily. These spaces will be sanitized twice daily as well as between groups.

* Luther Park ministries are using a "Sani in/Sani out" method of sanitization throughout the camp. This means that every building and every activity has a "Sanitization in" and "Sanitization out" policy where a sanitization process of hands/supplies/etc. happens when entering and exiting a building and/or before and after the activity. Hand sanitizer will be available in all sleeping areas.

* Food service tables and equipment will be cleaned and sanitized after every meal.

*Meals

- All meals will be served "plated buffet" style. This means that the kitchen staff will serve the food to the participants.

- All meals will be eaten outside unless the weather is not suitable.
- Each person must wash their hands at the temporary handwashing station before entering the dining area. Each person must wash their hands after each meal at the handwashing station.
- If meals or snacks are being eaten where a handwashing station is not convenient, all participants must sanitize their hands before and after eating.
- Windows, ceiling fans, and box fans will be used in the Lodge to help improve ventilation when building is in use.
- Campers will be responsible for clearing their own plates into the “happy scrapper” food scrap bucket on the table at the end of each meal. They will then be asked to stack all their cups, plates, bowls, and silverware in wash bins.
- Kitchen staff will disinfect tables after use.
- Gloves will be worn by all persons handling dishes; both in setting tables and in receiving and cleaning dirty dishes.
- Food Servers will wear facemask and gloves. If gloves become torn, ripped, or contaminated by touching something other than the utensils/food, new gloves will be required .

*** Ventilation**

- Air purifiers will be located inside the basement of the lodge to help ventilate air in the event that all campers need to be in the storm shelter for severe weather.
- Air purifiers have Hepa filters and are appropriate for the size of the space.
- Cabins will have windows open at all times and fans running to keep air moving.
- In the event that campers need to be in another building (e.g., eating in the dining hall because of inclement weather), windows will be open and fans will be running at all times to also ensure air movement.

*** Large Group Activities**

- All large group activities have been planned to ensure that social distancing can be maintained.

***Worship/Campfire:**

- Masks must be worn during the worship/campfire experience. If it is raining, worship/campfire will be held inside the Lodge. Windows will be open and air purifiers will be running.

* Policies are subject to change by recommendations of the Minnesota and Wisconsin Health Departments, American Camp Association, the local Burnett County Public Health Department and/or the CDC. These are just some of the policies Luther Park is implementing for summer 2021. To see the full set of policies please visit www.lutherparkdanbury.com and click on our “COVID-19 updates.”

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