

We are called to celebrate God's grace as a Christ-centered community of acceptance, growing in faith and living as Christ's hands to serve.

Dear Friends.

We are excited for another great season of Christian Summer Camp!

I am writing to you because First Presbyterian Church of Grand Haven, Michigan, wants to provide generous financial assistance to children going to a Christian camp. We'd like to have you offer this financial assistance to the children and youth of your church. Please make copies of the application and distribute them among those eligible for the funding.

Here are the parameters of this program:

- The purpose of the camp must be Christian faith development.
- It is open to any child or youth with a connection to your church. We want them to have a place for their faith to continue to develop.
- The camper's family is responsible for paying the camp registration fee (at a minimum). A family can pay more if they choose.
- This program will pay for the remaining portion of the camp. Typically, this will not exceed \$500.00 per camper.
- This financial assistance comes with no income requirements. We want children to go to Christian camp without restriction.
- We will pray for the campers.
- Because we want this to be about growing faith, we would love to see a follow-up letter for reflection by the camper on his or her experience. These can be mailed or dropped off at the church office after your child attends camp.

In order to access these funds, the family must send the financial application to us for processing, including proof of registration for the camp. Without this application, we cannot process the request. Remember that many camps fill up quickly, so we encourage you to get these applications in as soon as you can.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call our church, and we'll work on clarifying the details. If you would like an electronic copy of these documents please send an email to campgrant@fpgh.org. I am grateful to be able to extend this generous offer to other churches, and I trust your prayers will join mine for this to be a good summer of camp for our children.

In Christ,

Rev. Dr. Troy Hauser-Brydon

Senior Pastor

Youth Camp Project

The Youth Camp Project at First Presbyterian Church was established by a generous donor to provide the children and youth of area churches with the opportunity to attend a Christian camp.

Applicant criteria:

- 1. The student must be regularly participating in classes/activities at one of the participating churches.
- 2. The student must be in grades K through 12.
- 3. Applications will be accepted annually January 1 May 15.
- 4. Awards are available for 1 camp experience per student, per year.
- 5. Typical annual award is a maximum of \$500. Registration fee to be paid by the camper.

Funding & payments:

- 1. The student must register for the camp and pay the registration fee.
- 2. Complete the application and drop off or mail **both** the **application** and **proof of registration** to:

First Presbyterian Church Youth Camp Project 508 Franklin Ave. Grand Haven, MI 49417

- 3. The Youth Camp Project accounting will be done through First Presbyterian Church, Grand Haven. The money is held in a church account. The account is handled the same way as all other designated funds of the church.
- 4. Payments will be made directly to the camps. Payments to reimburse parents are not allowed.
- 5. Money will be available as donor funding permits.

Donor Special Request:

The donor would like all students to do work around the house or community to earn the money to cover the registration fee. Please consider asking your child to do serve in some way as part of receiving this gift.

Camp Options: Awards are available for Day Camp or Overnight Camp at any Christian camp. Please note, conferences and Vacation Bible School programs do not meet the parameters of the Camp Grant Program.