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# PINECREST LUTHERAN LEADERSHIP MINISTRIES

The mission of Pinecrest Lutheran Leadership Ministries is to develop leaders in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the one Holy, Catholic and Apostolic church; to train young women and men to serve Christ's church more ably by personal spiritual growth and increase of knowledge; develop in them a deeper loyalty to their Savior Jesus Christ; and instill in them a true sense of their responsibilities as Christians.

> AUGUST 7-14, 2021 THEME: ELEMENTS OF LIVING

Pinecrest's week-long program has had many homes over the years.

We are excited to announce Camp Johnsonburg as our 2021 location. Centralized to our community base, we are excited to grow our ministry and in our friendship with Camp Johnsonburg.

The Pinecrest Program has remained relevant for almost a century through active involvement of campers who serve on the Board of Directors and participate in the planning of each annual session. The Pinecrest program is led by a volunteer staff of adult leaders, many who developed their own skills as Pinecrest campers.

#### THE PROGRAM

The program includes morning classes, afternoon activities, free time, evening programs, and a variety of worship experiences. The canteen, available during free time and evening breaks, offers refreshments and Pinecrest clothing items. Each year the activities revolve around a central theme and include individual and cabin competition, athletic contests, game nights and entertainment. Individual talent opportunities as well as group activities help Pinecresters develop and demonstrate leadership skills. Detailed information on "what to bring to camp" is emailed to each registrant prior to the session.

#### THE PINECREST COMMUNITY

The Pinecrest community resides in cabin villages. Each cabin is under the guidance of a cabin leader, a veteran camper chosen for their leadership skills demonstrated in previous sessions. The cabin leaders elect a Student Council to serve as camper representatives for the following year.

Pinecresters respect the rights and needs of others, as well as themselves. They subscribe to a specific set of rules and a basic "conduct code" based upon common courtesy and respect for others in the Pinecrest community. Expressing concern for society's growing dependence on alcohol and other drugs, Pinecrest has no tolerance for these substances at camp. All are welcome at Pinecrest, as they are in the Kingdom of God.

#### WORSHIP AND CLASSES

Worship and Classes are an integral part of the Pinecrest experience. Morning Worship, Vespers after dinner, "Spiritual Horizons" at the close of evening programs, plus nightly devotions by cabin groups form the daily worship experiences. A candlelight service is conducted on the final evening of the session and Pinecresters join in a Communion Service on the closing day.

Classes are held each morning. As a camper, you will select one Life and one Bible course, or if eligible, may choose to enroll in the Seminar program, which meets daily for both class periods. The faculty is composed of pastors and other leaders who volunteer their time and talents to this important training program by instructing all classes, leading Vesper services and participating in informal discussions throughout the week.

#### REGISTRATION

Any prospective camper looking to attend must be 15 years of age by December 31st 2021 or no older than 26 years of age. Attendance for the full session is required. The seven-day session costs \$450 for firstyear campers and veterans who send in their registration before July 1. Registration costs \$475 after July 1 for veteran campers. Send completed registration forms to the registrar to reserve your spot. Registration must be received by 7/18/21 and CONFIRMED by our registrar.

## All registrations must be In by July 18, 2021 or you <u>CANNOT</u> come to camp. <u>NO EXCEPTIONS</u>

### SCHOLARSHIPS

Assistance is available to ensure that no one is denied this opportunity due to financial need. Many congregations offer assistance, and we encourage you to have a conversation with your Pastor to see if your congregation can assist in sponsoring your week at camp. Partial, and sometimes full, scholarships are also available from Pinecrest.

Scholarship forms are available on our website at <a href="http://www.pinecrestllm.org/">www.pinecrestllm.org/</a>
<a href="http://www.pinecrestllm.org/">registration</a>





## CONTACT INFORMATION

Registration questions can be sent to: Phil Burns at pinecrestpost@gmail.com or the publicity team, pinecrestbuzz@gmail.com

## **2021 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

#### **BIBLE CLASSES**

#### A) SPEAKING SCRIPTURE

Our Bible comes out of an oral tradition. It is a compilation of stories told for thousands of years under the stars, around the campfire, and around the table. Don't just read the scripture, embody it! *Note: This class is theater based. No previous experience necessary.* 

#### B) HOW TO PRAY

Prayer can be hard but also prayer is central to our faith. What is it? How do we pray? Why does it matter for our relationship with God and in our lives? Together, we will engage different models, forms of prayer, and learn to listen for God.

#### C) EATING THE BIBLE

Yum! Or gross? Explore scripture through the lens of food! Experience cultures, unpack food justice, gain insight into the centrality of food in community and participate in the table Jesus sets for us.

#### D) EXPERIENCING GOD IN CREATION

Scripture tells us the amazing story of God's relationship with Creation - not just people - but all of Creation! Using the scriptures as a guide, deepen your connection to the world around you, and see how we are just a part of all creation.

#### LIFE CLASSES

#### E) LIVING WITH GRIEF

Loss is a part of life and grief is a natural response to loss. How do we live faithfully even when we are grieving? And how do we walk compassionately with our friends and family who experience loss?

#### F) MEDITATION - SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

Meditation, along with a variety of spiritual practices, have ancient roots and important modern day applications. What are practices we can adopt that help us stay centered in God in the midst of life's stresses and challenges?

#### G) HOW TO SPEAK LIKE A PASTOR

People are always asking pastors to pray and speak out loud. How do they do that? Together, we will look at the tools available for all people to tell their faith story, pray aloud, and share the good news. Learn to speak about faith in your own voice!

#### H) INTERSECTIONALITY AND FAITHFUL LIVING

Together we will explore ways to understand the complexity of identity, while increasing our understanding of factors that have created social inequities. In doing so, we hope to articulate ways to create more inclusive communities where resources and opportunities for success are equitable. And in doing so ask the question of how does our faith influence the ways we look at and engage with identity?

## 2021 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED...

SEMINAR (AGES 18+) -**GROWING IN FAITH IN** TIMES OF STRUGGLE It's easy to trust God when everything is going well. But when the going gets rough, it's easy to feel unmoored. How do we continue to clina to our faith when life is difficult? How do we grow in faith when we feel like the world keeps pushing us down? We will explore new ways to approach life's challenges as people of faith.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CABIN LEADER CLASS \*CLASS FOR CABIN LEADERS ONLY\* This class takes the place of daily cabin leader meetings and looks to enhance the leadership skills of our Pinecrest cabin leaders. Cabin Leaders will use this time to grow as leaders and to best serve the Pinecrest community.

## **PINECREST 2021 REGRISTRATION**

REGISTER ONLINE AT: WWW.PINECRESTLLM.ORG/REGISTRATION

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