



## SENIOR HIGH 2019

CAMP THEME: Peace Works, Empowering the Next Generation of Peacemakers

Drop Off: Sunday, July 21, 2019, 2:00-4:00 PM

Pick Up: Saturday, July 27, 2019, 9:30-10:30 AM

Dear Campers,

Senior High is known for being full of laughter, friendship, and wondering together. A week to unplug, have fun and just be you!

Hello and Welcome: Our names are Pete and Karen, and we are the deans of the week called "Senior High" from July 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>. We are recruiting amazing counselors and will work with them to make our week at camp fun and special. Senior High camp is for young adults that are high school age or about to enter life beyond high school. We will explore each other's faith journey by engaging in thoughtful conversations, discussions, worship, challenges, interest groups, family faith groups, staff activities, lake and nature experiences and so much more. Through trust and respect, we will honor each person's expression(s) and talents. We can't wait to see you at camp!

We (Pete and Karen) have both been involved in Pilgrim Lodge for many years as counselor, campers, the parents of campers, children on staff, and Chef. Our belief is that Pilgrim Lodge offers an opportunity for people no matter who they are or where they come from to camp and be themselves. It's a chance to relax, explore, and enjoy all that is offered. As a camper parent, one resounding memory is from our son Pat who would exclaim when it got closer to camp PL time, "I need my PL fix". For him, Pilgrim Lodge opened up opportunities that he did not find in the everyday world.

Many of our activities will relate to this summer's theme for the week, "Peace Works, Empowering the Next Generation of Peacemakers," which will provide the chance to explore our relationship with God, who created each one of us, and the teachings of Jesus that guide us in our everyday lives. The week will be full of "God moments" – times when we can connect to the God we believe in, to others, to ourselves, and to God's creation.

Throughout our week we will also participate in activities... the Lake, Challenges, Board Games, Talent Show, Fancy Dinner, Music, Chapel, the Dance, Nature Trails, Canoes/Kayaks, Arts & Crafts and many more.

Mission... This year's mission project is the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed

(<https://watershedfriends.com/>) which works to protect the lake Pilgrim Lodge is blessed to sit on.

Pilgrim Lodge's beautiful home on the shores of Lake Cobbosseecontee is one of the things that truly makes our camp special. We're very excited to support their work so we can swim in these waters for years to come. We'll be doing a hands-on project with the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed during our week at PL. To support the health of Lake Cobbosseecontee and surrounding watershed, we will be taking a mission offering during camp. Campers are encouraged to bring an offering (donation) to help support the important work the Friends are doing to preserve our beloved lake.

We will be sharing PL for the first half our week with another camp, "Faith Foundations", July 21st – 24<sup>th</sup>. The age group is campers entering the grades of 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>. We will be discussing how our two camps may interact and share with the Deans from Faith Foundations.

On Sunday, July 21, the day you come to camp, please arrive between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. When you first arrive at PL, you will be greeted by camp staff who will show you or your driver where to unload your bags, park the car, and find us to get signed in for the week. You'll then check in with the camp staff, the nurse, and then us! We'll be waiting to greet you and tell you what cabin you will get to stay in. You can then head to your cabin, meet your counselor, and set up your bunk...and the fun begins! Your family can stay and help you get settled into your cabin until 4:00.

On Saturday, July 27, the last day of camp, your family will pick you up between 9:30 and 10:30 am. Beginning at 9:30 we will be having a special closing program down by the waterfront.

In addition to the list of things to bring that you received when you registered, please visit your Camper Guide on the PL website at <https://www.pilgrimlodge.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/2018-Parent-Camper-Guide.pdf>.

We can't wait to meet you and spend a great week together at Pilgrim Lodge!

See you soon!

Deans Pete & Karen