



# Pilgrim Lodge

Maine Conference, United Church of Christ

Hello OSMG Campers!

Our names are Kelsea and Antonio! We are excited to be returning as your deans for the week and stoked to share a week at PL with you! We hope this letter finds you well and answers any questions you may have. If you still have questions please don't hesitate to contact us!

We are counting down the days to your arrival! You should arrive at camp **Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> between 2pm and 4pm**. We know you might be excited to get here (we are too!) but please do not arrive before 2pm. PL Staff needs that time and space to get registration set up for us! On **Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> between 9:30am and 10:30am** campers can be picked up, as our week together will come to a close after breakfast.

Our theme for the week is "Beyond Belief." Many of our conversations and activities will revolve around thinking outside the box or bigger! There is beauty in the unknowable even if it makes us ask "what if...?" a lot. We are looking forward to opening up these conversations with you and growing spiritually together.

**We have a special request for you to complete prior to arriving to camp!** Could you please email us a song that is meaningful to you! Traditionally, we have spent every morning before breakfast with a few quiet moments of music meditation. We would like to continue this but with songs that are meaningful to YOU! If you can, try and consider sending us a song that gets you asking "what if...?", makes you wonder, or sparks something spiritually inside you. **Please email these to [ktrefethen14@gmail.com](mailto:ktrefethen14@gmail.com) by July 1<sup>st</sup>**. Also, we think it might be fun to not share what song you choose until we've listened to it!

This summer the camp mission is Maine Conference UCC's Anti-Racism Resource Team (ARRT). ARRT is a team of awesome people that are working to raise awareness and address racism in Maine. To support this summer's mission, we are hoping you will bring a donation with you or consider donating some of the money remaining in your store accounts at the end of the week. Your offerings will go to support four projects of the ARRT:

- Gedakina Gedakina/Sweet Land Farm project in Starks, Maine
- Lewiston 21st Century in Lewiston Middle and High Schools
- Mano en Mano in Milbridge, Maine
- New Mainers Resource Center in Portland

This warm weather has us itching to be back at PL, we're already considering packing our bags! We look forward to seeing you at camp on July 8<sup>th</sup>!

With love,

*Kelsea & Antonio*

#### SUGGESTIONS OF THINGS TO BRING TO CAMP:

Camera	Casual clothing (warm and cold)	Extra socks
Active Wear	Rain gear	Bible, stationery, and pen
Bathing suit and beach towel	Shower shoes	Musical instruments
1 nice outfit for fancy dinner	Shower towel	Toiletries
Sleeping bag/bedding and pillow	Comfortable sneakers	Small backpack for hike day
Flashlight	Insect repellent (non-aerosol)	Sunscreen (SPF 30+)
Water bottle	Money for store/mission	Alarm Clock

*Note: There are no cellphones allowed at camp. If you do bring yours with you we can hold onto it for you in a safe place for the week.*