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Hey youth & parental units!

This week we will be looking into the best that the northern UCC Outdoor Ministries has to offer by traveling between Pilgrim Lodge and Horton Center. From the lakes of PL to the mountains of HC we'll be experiencing the BEST of BOTH WORLDS!

We'll be going outside to look inward, experiencing spirituality in outdoor settings while learning to grow as a community. We'll learn about Jesus as FULLY DEVINE and FULLY HUMAN while learning about how faith affects our lives.

What communities do you bring with you to camp? What about yourself do you most want to explore while exploring the best that New Hampshire and Maine have to offer? How do we grow as a Christian community? We're excited to explore all these questions and more with you over our week at camp!!

Your Deans:

**Kjell** has been planning your week of camp over the past couple months and is really excited to have co-dean **Zach** added into the mix. Your deans have gotten together to talk about your week at camp while discussing the best parts of their experiences at camp that they want to bring with them

Kjell spends most of his time trying to experience the outdoors as much as possible, hiking and biking around central Maine and NH as often as he can. Over the past year he started his first year of teaching math (please don't judge) in Southern NH and experiencing that state as a new resident. If you have any math related jokes there's a 97% chance that he'll try to include them in his classroom next year.

After his first summers away from camp in over fifteen years, Zach is glad to be back on the Pilgrim Lodge campus. In his time away he has spent the majority of his time on a basketball court both playing in recreational men's leagues, but also as a coach of several high school girl's teams. Zach is an education major who does his best to apply what he learns about healthy learning communities into his practices and coaching. With a year of PL staff experience and countless summer experiences he looks forward to meeting every camper and do his part to make the week a memorable one

*Your Week:*

We will begin our week of adventures at Pilgrim Lodge in West Gardener, ME. For directions please visit their website at: <http://www.pilgrimlodge.org/directions.html>

Registration is from 2-4pm on Sunday, July 31st.

We will travel together on Wednesday to Horton Center in Gorham, NH. The day will be filled with silly car games, loud music, and high adventure. (safe adventure, but still high adventure.) This year, we will NOT be traveling with the Middler Group-- instead we'll do an old swap-a-roo and hypothetically high five, bus-to-bus, while we switch sites!

At Horton Center, we'll continue to hang out, have fun, and learn about Jesus in the best way possible, until Saturday, where pick up is at Horton Center at 9:30am. For directions, visit their website at: <http://www.hortoncenter.org/about/directions/>

For any questions or concerns, or if you would like to communicate with us to help us help YOU have the best week ever, you can reach us at:

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We're both really looking forward to meeting you and developing an amazing community with you.

Yours in Christ,

Kjell and Zach