



## Sports Camp!

Drop off : 2:00 - 4:00 PM Sunday July 8th  
Pick up : 9:30 - 10:30 AM Saturday July 14th

Dear Campers,

Hello! My name is Jonas and I'll be your dean this week for "Sports Camp" during July 8th - 14th. I work with counselors and Pilgrim Lodge staff to make this week the best it can be for you! Now all we need is for you to come to camp!

I came to summer camp as a child and even was on staff for some time! I love camp and I really hope you will too! Pilgrim Lodge has plenty of things to offer, such as : swimming, boating, crafts, exploring the nature, singing, ice cream time and worship! Along with all of that we will also be exploring the world of sports!

We plan to engage in sports, new and old, and have conversations about nutrition, health, preventing injury, and more! We hope to work on ways to better ourselves and increase our athletic skills! On Thursday we will have a 'fancy dinner' in which we ask that you bring your favorite sports jersey or shirt to wear! We can all represent our favorite team or players!

Some of our activities will tie in to this Summer's theme "Beyond Belief" teaching us ways to connect with God and faith, and help guide us through our lives.

Throughout our week we will also participate in activities that will help us learn about this summer's mission project, the Maine Conference UCC's Anti-Racism Resource Team (ARRT), a group that is working to raise awareness and address racism in Maine. As we explore our theme of "Beyond Belief," this mission will help us to learn how to be good neighbors to people of all colors and backgrounds and to stand up for what is right in our communities. To support this summer's mission, campers are encouraged to bring an offering (turned in at the time of registration) that 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,

You can also bring a tangible offering – we will be collecting basic school supplies: notebooks, pens, pencils and erasers for new Mainers at the New Mainers Resource Center, which provides classes and networking that help immigrants overcome barriers to entering the workforce. Alternately, you can bring a canned good or non- perishable food item that will go to support migrant farmworkers as they arrive in Maine to help with this years' harvest. There are many ways to support our neighbors! You can see more about this summer's mission on the PL website at: <https://www.pilgrimlodge.org/summer-camp/mission-project/>.

On Sunday, July 8, 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 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 me! I'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 14, 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 in the lodge** that your families are invited to attend if they wish. They'll get to hear about what made our week together so special.

Can't wait to see you!  
Jonas