



Pilgrim Lodge

Maine Conference, United Church of Christ

Pilgrim Lodge is a multi-generational summer camp and retreat space centered on the spirit of extravagant welcome. Ours is a ministry of inclusion: no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, all who come in love have a seat at the table. We believe in providing space to slow down the rapid pace of modern life in order to tend to community.

ELEMENTARY ADVENTURES 2025 DEANS LETTER

Registration: July 6 @ 2-3PM in the Lodge
Pick Up: July 12th @ 9:30AM at the Dining Hall



Dean Ashley (she/her) Dean Stef (she/her)

HELLO CAMPERS!

We are so excited to welcome you to Pilgrim Lodge for a week full of adventures of all kinds! From swimming and boating, to arts and crafts, to games big and small... our week will have adventures galore!



Meet Ashley: Dean Ashley was a camper at Pilgrim Lodge starting in the 3rd grade. She liked it so much that she came back every summer through high school, and then returned as a counselor and later as the parent of campers and summer staff. She now serves as a dean and is a member of the PL Outdoor Ministries Team. She loves getting to know campers & staff, playing games, singing songs, sharing stories, hearing the loons at night, sharing God's love, and spending time in nature.



Meet Stef: Dean Stef started attending PL at the age of 8. She came back every year until she was 19. She was lucky to have her parents as Deans in both Middle School and High School, it meant she got to spend one extra day at camp those summers!! Stef returned to camp as a counselor in her 40's and has been a Dean for the last 8 years. She has such a passion for PL and has served on the Outdoor Ministry Team as well as the Pilgrim Lodge Leadership Team and is currently the Chair of the Maine Conference Board of Directors. Stef feels tha Pilgrim Lodge is where she found her faith and it is where she feels closest to God. Stef hopes to pass on her love of PL to as many campers as possible.



Each day, we'll have opportunities to be loud and to be quiet, to be active and to be still. We'll spend time on or in the lake, make new friends, challenge ourselves to solve puzzles and try new things! And we'll eat yummy meals, have ice cream every day, and be amazed by the wonders of God's creation.

Many of our activities will relate to this summer's theme for the week: "Another Way." We'll be invited to "get real," to be open to "wild ideas," and to think about how we might want to "change the rules" to reflect that every person is a beloved child of God.

We will make tie-dye t-shirts, so please bring a white cotton t-shirt!

One evening, you will be invited to share a talent if you'd like, so if you have an instrument to play, or props for a magic trick, or a joke book... bring them along!

Another evening, we'll have an All-Camp Birthday Party! If you have a special party hat or accessory you'd like to wear, bring that too!

Everyone will want to pack a soft blanket and your favorite stuffie to make your bunk super cozy. There's a complete packing list below.

Above all, be sure to pack your sense of adventure! It's going to be a great week. See you on the Boardwalk!



PILGRIM LODGE SUMMER 2025 MISSION: MAINE IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS COALITION & MAINE MOBILE HEALTH PROGRAM

This year, Pilgrim Lodge is supporting two Maine-based organizations dedicated to supporting our immigrant neighbors:

The mission of the Maine Immigrants' Rights Coalition (MIRC), is to improve legal, social, and economic conditions for immigrants in the state of Maine.

The Maine Mobile Health Program (MMHP) is one of the organization of the Maine Immigrants' Rights Coalition. The mission of the Maine Mobile Health Program is to improve the health status of Maine's seasonal workers and their families.

*An option to make a donation to our Summer 2025 mission organizations will be available at registration. We will collect donations in the form of cash, check, or tooth brushes!

During this session of camp, don't forget to bring:

A white t-shirt to tie dye

A talent! Bring your instruments, your jokes,
your singing voice, your magic tricks, and more.

A fun hat!

A soft blanket and your favorite stuffie.

[Link to Camper Guide with full Packing List](#)

SEE YOU AT CAMP!

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