

Greetings Island Campers!

This week on Manitou will grant us wonderful traditions, and new adventures. Your deans are so excited to have you join in!!!!

Check-in will be from 1-2 PM on Sunday, July 9. When you arrive at Pilgrim Lodge, camp staff will direct you to where to drop off your belongings and meet us.

Pick up will be from 9:30-10:30 on Saturday, July 15. At 9:30, grown-ups coming for pick-up are invited to a brief closing program to hear a bit about our time on the island!

Whether you are returning, or this is your first-time camping on the island, we invite you to this unique Pilgrim Lodge experience. Here on the island, we let go of all the technology (including watches!) that fill our lives and instead allow our spirits to join the flow of time provided by nature. Campers learn to work together for camp life such as helping with mealtimes, worship, campfires and well... all sort of other ways! During this week, we also can hear the loons calling out, the joy of the campers on 'the mainland' and the laughter we provide each other.

Some activities for the week may include: return of "Manitou Choppers," (a fun competition where teams of campers use what ingredients have been provided and make a meal for dinner), swimming on the Ledges, ice cream, hiking, social time and much more.

Every Summer, PL invites campers to donate to nonprofits which make the world a better place. As we explore the idea of the Platinum Rule – "Treat others as THEY would like to be treated" we are fortunate to have two organizations to support that are doing just that: "[Daisy's Children](#)" a group we have worked with before, and "[Talented Youth Community Fellowship of Uganda](#)" a new organization we are proud to support. Donations to the mission will be shared equally between both organizations.

At the end of the week, to take the time needed to pack, clean up and leave PL as we found it, island campers come back to the mainland on Friday afternoon and will sleep in cabins on the last night. We will have closing activities, including dinner, in the evening.

A packing list for Island Camp is at the bottom of this letter. Please send an email to info@pilgrimlodge.org to tell us if you will be bringing your own tent or if you would like to use one that Pilgrim Lodge can provide. Also, if you need to borrow any other gear, just let us know!

We are also including a link to the [PL online store](#) in case your camper would like any swag before coming to camp. There will be some new items in the camp store this season when you arrive.

We welcome any questions, you can reach out by calling 207-330-1336, or email revsbartlett@gmail.com.

Thank you and we are excited for this week with you!
Antonio, Sara, and Stef

Packing list for Island Camp:

- Closed toed shoes and/or sneakers
- Warm clothes (it can get chilly at night)
- Sleeping bag
- Pillow
- Tent: If you have one, you can bring it. If not, we'll have some to share.
- Bug spray
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Bio-degradable soap
- Bathing suit
- Towel(s)
- Book(s)
- Crafts or games to share with other campers
- Battery operated lantern
- Flashlight
- Prescription or Over-the-Counter medication that you take regularly (all medications will be stored and dispensed by an adult)

Please leave at home:

- Phones
- Watches
- Any other technology you may have
- Knives, weapons, fireworks
- Alcohol, drugs