



**YOUTH FOR CHRIST**  
PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2019



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

## DEAR PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP PARTNERS,

I hope you and your family are doing well in Christ. We all face many trials and hardships in this life but as we keep our eyes and hearts on Jesus he will meet us in the midst of them to carry us through. I wish you God's peace in the midst of the storms you are encountering.

*"I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." John 16:33*

I was sitting in the upstairs of the Old Country Church at Prairie River Camp with 70 other middle school youth and staff as the Gospel of Jesus Christ was being presented to all who were in attendance. In the previous club meetings, the speaker had explained how sin had entered the world in the Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve. Sin had separated us from God and that is why Jesus came. He lived a perfect life and gave his life for our sin on the cross. When we receive Jesus we become children of God. Our speaker gave an invitation for any youth who had never received Jesus as savior to please raise their hand. I have never witnessed such a response in my life! Hands shot up at a rapid rate of speed with many of the youth raising not just one hand, but both hands as high as they could raise them. There was no doubt in their minds! They were excited to start a relationship with their father in heaven through Jesus.

**I'm excited to invite you to our upcoming Dessert Banquets on April 11th at 2:15 and 7:15 pm at**



Prairie River Camp in the Shelter portion of the new Dining Hall building. Please come and see the new building and hear about the amazing things God has been doing at Prairie River Camp in the lives of young people! Call to reserve spots for yourself and any others that will be joining you. We are thrilled about the chance to share about how God is using the camp as well as showing you all that is being accomplished in the area of construction.

We have volunteer needs all the time. If you have time, we have projects! Please check in with us on helping with some of your favorite things. We also have specific needs during our upcoming camps; volunteers for cleaning bathrooms, cooking food, serving meals, taking pictures, praying, helping with archery, being a cabin leader with the youth, running the sound system, etc. Please give the camp a call with what you can help with!

We are also in search of a Program Director and an additional maintenance staff person. Both positions require the raising of at least \$2,500 in monthly support for Prairie River Camp.

As I write this letter construction continues to move forward on the Dining Hall. Much progress has been accomplished! In the attic area, we have rebuilt the support system for the roof using LVL trusses. This enables us to go without any beams or columns in the main Dining Hall assembly area. The area has also been increased in size with the removal of the small rooms that once existed inside the entrance. We are so excited for you to see it! We are still raising the funds to make the Dining Hall operational in time for summer camps. Please pray for all that I have listed above! Prayer changes things!

Loving youth to Jesus,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Gudal".

Greg Gudal





**PRAIRIE RIVER CAMP**  
YOUTH FOR CHRIST - SOUTH CENTRAL MINNESOTA

**FUNDRAISING BANQUETS** **THURSDAY**  
**APRIL 11TH**  
**2019**  
**2:15 OR 7:15PM**  
DESSERT & BEVERAGES SERVED

**PRC DINING HALL BUILDING**

**come and hear about**  
**THE LIFE CHANGING MINISTRY**  
**that is taking place at PRC**

**52792 80TH ST | BRICELYN MN 56014**

**Tours of the new facilities will be available**  
**following each banquet.**

**RSVP to Robin at 507.402.2313 or [robingudal@gmail.com](mailto:robingudal@gmail.com)**



# WAYS TO FUND THE MISSION

Your faithful support is vital to the ministry of Prairie River Camp. In addition to regular giving, there are several unique options available. Below is a list of ways that others have helped and may be a good fit for you. It is because of your prayers and support that we have been able to reach young people in the Albert Lea area.



## Become a Team PRC Member

Become a Team PRC Member by making a three-year monthly pledge of \$25, \$100, \$500 or different amount, or making a three-year annual pledge of \$1,000, \$10,000, \$25,000 or a different amount.



## Real Estate Donation:

The value of real estate can often greatly increase the size of your estate. A real estate donation entitles you to a significant current tax deduction and can reduce the value of your estate, which can save or eliminate estate taxes. It can also provide a lifetime monthly income.



## Donation of Stocks & Mutual Funds:

Donating appreciated stocks or mutual funds can be a great benefit to both the donor and Prairie River Camp. As a donor of an appreciated stock or mutual fund, you are able to avoid paying capital gains tax on the appreciation of the asset. Also, as the donor of that security, you get to deduct the full fair market value of the security at the time of the gift, if you have held the security for longer than 12 months.



## Wills & Trust Bequests:

A bequest through a will or trust is the most popular form of planned giving. By remembering Prairie River Camp in a will or trust, you are looking past your own lifetime to further the work of the kingdom through the Prairie River Camp Endowment Fund. These gifts ensure that Prairie River Camp will always be ready to reach out to young people.



## Charitable Gift Annuities:

You make an irrevocable gift, generally using cash, maturing CD's, or securities in exchange for lifetime guaranteed payments, the amount of which is based on the value of your gift and the age(s) of the payment recipients. In addition, the donor receives an immediate income tax deduction, and a portion of each payment is income tax free!





## CONSTRUCTION ITEM

## GOAL

## PROGRESS

Shelter Operational	Goal Met	Operational!
Shelter Completed	\$7,500	\$2,000
Dining Hall Operational	\$105,000	\$83,000
Dining Hall Completed	\$47,000	Not met

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GIVE TO THE BUILDING  
HOPE CAMPAIGN, PLEASE MAIL YOUR CHECK TO:

Prairie River Camp  
116 West Clark Street  
Albert Lea, MN 56007

Please denote the memo line with  
BUILDING HOPE CAMPAIGN



New subfloor in  
the Dining Hall



## THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS

Thrivent policy holders may qualify to  
apply for one or more \$250 Action Team  
projects each year. If you would like to  
know how these funds can help Youth  
For Christ, please contact Greg  
at 507.383.1782.

## STAY AT PRC!

### **LODGE & CABIN RATES:**

**Families - Adults: \$19 per person - Children ages (5-17): \$10 per person**

**Adult & Youth Groups: \$19 per person - Large Cabin Minimum: \$45**

Prayer Cabin Minimum: \$19

Exclusive upstairs use of The River Lodge: \$285 minimum (June - August)

Offseason minimum: \$190 (September - May)

Ester Brook Room: \$47 (Queen bed/handicap accessible)

Cups of Faith (kitchen access): \$50 per day for exclusive use for overnight guests  
\$100 per day for exclusive use for day use groups

To make reservations please call 507.383.9989



# MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS | December 19, 2018 - March 24, 2019



## In Memory of:

Jean Lium  
Carmen Klingbiel  
Ione Biesterfeld  
John Steckelberg  
  
Dr. Beaumont Hagebak  
Kari Singlestad  
Jillane Anderson

Jerry Reed  
Aiden Schewe

## Given by:

Maynard & Shirley Gudal  
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Paul Scrabeck  
Carolyn Weller  
Paul Scrabeck  
Maynard & Shirley Gudal  
Arlo & Julie Wallin  
Forrest & Ruth Delunger  
Arlen Legred  
Marley Reeves  
William Anderson  
Darlene Reed  
Anonymous

Every effort has been made to ensure this list is accurate and complete. If we have inadvertently omitted, misspelled, or otherwise improperly reported your name, please accept our apologies and contact us.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please be in prayer for the upcoming Prairie River Camp Banquets on April 11th.
- Please pray for the staff positions of Program Director and Maintenance Staff to be filled.
- Please be in prayer for safety in construction and the completion of the Dining Hall.
- Please be in prayer for the programming volunteers needed for the summer camps as well as summer staff!

## CAMP NEEDS

- 30 spoons (don't need to be matching)
- 21 Corelle dinner plates; white or white with patterned trim
- 10 place plate and mug set
- Snow plow
- 4-wheel drive pickup truck
- 2" bar stock x 24"
- Skid loader
- Paddle boards and kayaks under 10' long
- Winter gloves for students
- Toboggans
- Grilling tools
- Clean ice cream containers of all sizes with lids

If you have any of these items or would like to underwrite the cost of purchasing items, please contact Greg at 507.383.1782.



## FINANCIAL NEEDS

- \$10,000 needed each month in donations

## VOLUNTEER NEEDS

- Helpers for summer camps including:
  - Assistant cooks
  - Food servers
  - General housekeepers
  - Programming
  - Cabin Leaders
- Hanging glassboard, drywall and insulation
- Installing flooring and tile
- Painting, cleaning and assistance





**PRAIRIE  
RIVER  
CAMP  
PRESENTS**



# SUMMER CAMPS

EXCITEMENT | ADVENTURE | CHALLENGE  
SPIRIT-FILLED | TRANSFORMATIONAL

## ===== SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE =====

### MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMP | JUNE 18-22, 2019

For current 6th-8th grade students | Cost: \$300 | Scholarship Price: \$150

### BEGINNER HORSE CAMP | JUNE 25-29, 2019

For current 6th-12th grade girls | Cost: \$310 | Scholarship Price: \$155

### PAINTBALL CAMP | JUNE 26-29, 2019

For current 7th-12th grade boys | Cost: \$280 | Scholarship Price: \$140

### HIGH SCHOOL CAMP | JULY 15-21, 2019

For current 8th-12th grade students | Cost: \$375 | Scholarship Price: \$187.50

### ADVANCED HORSE CAMP | JULY 25-28, 2019

For current 6th-12th grade girls | Cost: \$310 | Scholarship Price: \$155



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[www.prairierivercamp.org](http://www.prairierivercamp.org)

For more info about scholarships or for camp registration, contact the  
Camp Director at [registration@prairierivercamp.org](mailto:registration@prairierivercamp.org) or 507.383.9989.  
Prairie River Camp | 52792 80th Street | Brice lyn MN 56014





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