



CAMP NOAH AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
March 23-27, 2020
8:30am – 3:00pm



Peace Lutheran Church in conjunction with the Miami Valley Long Term Tornado Recovery Team will be hosting the first of five Camp Noah weeks on March 23-27, 2020 for elementary children who have been impacted by the Memorial Day Tornadoes. Camp Noah works to support the mental and emotional health of children who are still struggling to cope with this natural disaster and other traumatic events in 2019. Registration and breakfast begins at 8:30am and the Camp Noah curriculum runs from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Breakfast, Lunch and Snacks will be served each day of Camp Noah for campers and volunteers.

But what is Camp Noah?

Camp Noah is a week long day camp for children K-5th grade who survived the Memorial Day tornadoes in our community. Camp Noah provides a safe, caring, and fun environment where children build resiliency skills within the familiarity of their own communities. Camp Noah utilizes a proven curriculum (which includes 30 hours of resiliency training) designed to help children process their disaster and/or trauma experience through creative activities and play. In this safe and supportive setting, children are encouraged to face their fears, grieve their losses, identify and share their unique gifts and talents, and plan for an amazing future. Further information about Camp Noah and their mission to bring hope and healing to communities that have been impacted by disaster can be found at <https://www.lssmn.org/campnoah/about-us>.

How can you help?

We are looking for **25 core volunteers** who will agree to be at camp all day, all week long 7:30am- 4:30 pm. This daily participation will help to provide a consist environment for children to process their trauma. Core volunteers also need to be willing to become certified Camp Noah leaders by submitting to a background check and participating in a one day, 4-hour resiliency curriculum training on March 7th from 8-12pm. We are also looking for additional volunteers who can help to support Camp Noah.

Amanda McQuade will be our Team Leader and will be recruiting core volunteers to help with small group leaders, large group leaders, Craft Leader, Recreation Leader, a Noah, other skit leaders, puppeteers, and maybe even a special Magic or Science show volunteer. If you are interested in helping please email Amanda @ mcquade.amanda.1999@gmail.com.

Christ Clelan (our previous secretary) will be doing our behind the scenes coordinating as our site coordinator. **Christa will be recruiting support volunteers.** If you interested with helping with Registration each day, working in the kitchen, serving meals, helping to staff a first aid table, etc. please contact Christa at christaclelan14@gmail.com.

All Volunteer Registration is online at <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/CampNoah>

Who can come?

Children, grades K-5, from our church and surrounding community who have been impacted by the Tornadoes. We hope have approximately 50 children at our Camp Noah. We will utilize our connections within the school system to initially identify children and then will advertise to the general public until we have reached of maximum capacity of 50 children. Again this camp is for elementary school children who need a safe and loving place to continue to process the events of the Memorial Day Tornadoes, grow in resiliency and be better prepared for future disasters. If you would like your children to participate in this camp please see Pastor Carey.

Registration is online at <https://campscui.active.com/orgs/CampNoah>.

Wait a minute, how much does this cost?

Peace Lutheran was able to kick off Camp Noah fundraising with \$6,250 which was quickly followed by a \$25,000 commitment from Lutheran Social Services of Central Ohio and Lutheran Disaster Response-US. The Dayton Foundation has joined in partnering with us with a grant of \$5,000. Along with other churches, local businesses and individuals who have donated over \$37,000. With \$69,000 already committed, we are well on our way toward our goal of \$125,000 for all five camps.

We have scheduled our second Camp Noah at Christ Lutheran in Old North Dayton June 15-19, 2020. Registration and Breakfast begin at 8:30 am. Camp Noah curriculum runs from 9:00am – 3:00pm. Again we ask volunteers to be present from 7:30am – 4:30pm to help set up before camp and debrief after camp ends. We are working on scheduling two additional camps – one in Harrison twp. and one in Trotwood. The fifth Camp Noah will be scheduled in another part of the Miami Valley as funding becomes available

What if I can't help Volunteer for Camp Noah, can I still help?

Yes you can!

Do you like fundraising? Do you want to help with publicity? Would you be willing to ask for in-kind donations for camp supplies, snacks, or lunch? Please see Pastor Carey or email Christa Clelan,

Your donations, big and small, can help bring Camp Noah to the Miami Valley and positively impact the lives of our children. 100 percent of your donations will go directly to support Miami Valley Camp Noah sessions.

\$500 – Allows one camper to attend Camp Noah.

\$150 – Provides a camper with all the needed supplies and material for the week.

\$50 - Provides a camper with their own Preparedness Backpack.

\$10 - Provides a camper with their own Camp Noah t-shirt.

Donations should be directed to Peace Lutheran Church, attention. Rev. Carey Hovland, noting "Camp Noah" in the check memo line or online at <https://www.peacebeavercreek.org/> under the "Camp Noah" tab.

Your generosity as a volunteer or donor will give our children the opportunity to learn resiliency skills which will last for a lifetime. Together, we can support our community in rebuilding and strengthening our future.

For additional information, please feel free to contact
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