

MONDAY, JULY 11 - FRIDAY, JULY 15

# Apostle Islands Trip

2022

## NOT ALL WHO WANDER ARE LOST

This retreat provides an opportunity to disconnect from phones, screens, and social media. It is a time for making friends, exploring faith, and experiencing nature. The north country, with its rivers and forests, inspires the soul in subtle ways. And, there is something almost holy about arriving at the campsite along the breathtaking bluffs of Madeline Island, the largest of the Apostle Islands of Lake Superior.

What are some of the activities youth can look forward to? Whitewater rafting on the Menomonee River, tent-camping in Big Bay State park, s'mores around the campfire, team games, beach time, nights out under the stars, jumping into the invigorating waters of Lake Superior, pizza and ice cream at Grandpa Tony's, outdoor movie night, daily devotions and a sunset communion service out on the point.

**This year's retreat will take place July 11-July 15, and the cost of registration is \$350.** This money covers rafting fees, campsite fees, van rentals, supplies, and nearly all the meals. Additionally, we ask the kids to bring about \$30 to cover our traveling lunches on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. Money for souvenirs and extras is up to each family.

The theme for this year's trip is, "Not all who wander are lost." It is taken from the writing of J.R.R. Tolkien, famous for his *Lord of the Rings Trilogy* and for *The Hobbit*. Less known about him, but more deeply important, is that he was a heartfelt and imaginative Christian. His narratives about Middle Earth are themselves also an allegory about the journey that is the spiritual life. Our trip to the Apostle Islands is a way of learning more about how our life's journey can be guided and strengthened by our faith.

**If your child is interested in attending this non-mandatory retreat, please respond by bringing or sending the completed registration form (attached) and a \$100 deposit to the church office:**

Fox Point Lutheran Church  
7510 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Fox Point, WI, 53217

**Please note:** this trip tends to fill up quickly, as we are only able to take 34 kids. Priority is given to those who have not been on the trip before. Otherwise, it is straightforwardly a 'first come first served' proposition, with the date of your registration being the date that we receive the completed registration and the deposit check of \$100.

The remaining \$250 will be due by June 1. If cost is a concern, please let me know; scholarships are available.

**This trip isn't possible without parent chaperones to help lead. If you are able or willing or interested, please call/text me and let's talk. It is a great experience!**

If you have any questions regarding this incredible retreat, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Thanks! Pastor Bruce

