

CROSS TRAILS MINISTRY SUMMER CAMP 2017



Sending Service Resources

Feel free to use as much of this as you would like!

Litany

(Invite all who are planning to attend a Cross Trails Ministry Program this summer to come forward during worship.)

Pastor/Youth Worker/ Assisting Minister: Today we are celebrating our partnership in ministry with Cross Trails Ministry. You have each heard God's call to attend Camp this summer. At camp you will experience God's love in amazing new ways by living in God's creation, meeting new friends and worshipping daily. As the Holy Spirit prepares your hearts and minds for this camp experience we want to pray with and for you. After each petition the congregation will respond with "we pray to you Lord" Let us pray:

L: For safe travel to camp and safety while there,
C: We pray to you Lord

L: For the relationships that will be made and strengthened at camp,
C: We pray to you Lord

L: For the new ways campers will experience your love through worship, games, nature hikes, Bible study, and all that camp has to offer,
C: We pray to you Lord

L: For the Cross Trails Staff that they may have your strength and guidance as they work with our campers and serve you this summer,
C: We pray to you Lord

L: For the parents and other family members who will miss the campers while they are away from home,

C: We pray to you Lord

L: For your Holy Spirit to work in exciting and unexpected ways through Cross Trails Ministry as campers learn about Jesus and grow closer to you

C: We pray to you Lord

L: We pray all of this in Jesus' name.

C: Amen

Pastor/Youth Worker/ Assisting Minister: This summer, we will grow closer to God and to each other at camp. Each of you have been called by God to this special place. Now may you go forth with God's blessing and return with stories of faith to share.

Blessing Your Campers

Bless all of these campers, (read individual names of campers). Let them grow in faith. Let them hear God's call. Let them see your beautiful creation. Let them experience the love of God from others. Let them know that there is a whole congregation that supports them. Let them return here to do your work with us. Bless them and keep them, now and forever. Amen

Prayer

Wonderful Creator,

We pray a prayer of thanksgiving for places that our campers can go to, to experience You in new ways. Be with and protect our campers, the camp staff, adult sponsors, and everyone that has a heart for camp. We pray that you work through counselors, cabin mates, and leaders so that our campers can hear the good news of Christ. Let our campers commune with nature and see the wonders of the natural world. Let everyone who here know they are a child of God who seeks to know you more. Amen

Scripture Readings

Our Bible Study this summer is all about the seasons of the church year. We are focusing on Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost. When campers show up to camp it will be Advent.

- Isaiah 9:1-7
- Matthew 2:1-12
- Mark 16:1-8
- Luke 2:1-20
- Matthew 26:36-46
- Acts 2:1-24

Songs

- He Came Down
- Pass it On
- Awesome God

Offering

Take a special offering on this Sunday to either give as a gift to camp or to have campers take with them to give to Cross Trails Ministry's summer offering.