

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Hello! You are receiving this letter because either you have expressed interest in having your child participate in Camp Hope, or we have received a referral for your child to participate in Camp Hope. This 3-day/2-night camp is a **free** bereavement camp offered through the hospice program at Wellspring Lutheran Services. Designed by our professional staff specifically for children and teens, ages 6 to 17, who have experienced the death of a loved one, Camp Hope provides a combination of recreational and bereavement activities to help kids learn to process their grief.

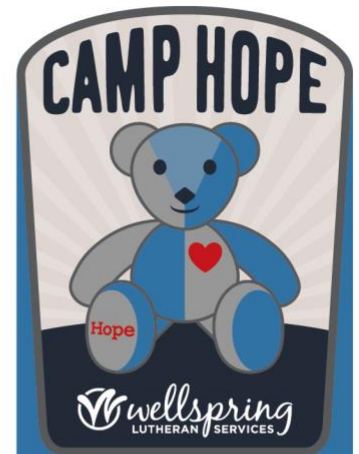
Camp Hope 2023 will be held on **August 16, 17 & 18** at Camp Lael in Lapeer, Mich. We provide bus transportation to and from the campsite. You will need to drop your children off at a designated location in Frankenmuth at 8:30 a.m. on August 16. You will be able to meet your children at the same location in Frankenmuth at approximately 1:00 p.m. on August 18. There will be a short celebration and ice cream social from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Enclosed you will find an application and information packet that should answer any questions you may have. **If you would like to enroll your child for Camp Hope, please complete and return the application packet by July 3, 2023, in the envelope provided.** The application helps us determine if we are able to meet your child's needs in a camp setting. Once we receive your application, it will be reviewed. If it is determined that your child could benefit from Camp Hope, we will send out an acceptance letter and additional information.

There is also a mandatory parent/guardian meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. You must attend either the 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. session or the 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. session in order for your child to attend camp.

The application deadline for Camp Hope, again, is **July 3, 2023**. Please complete the enclosed application to the best of your ability, and use the envelope provided. You may also fax it to 989.652.3279 or email it to camphope@wellspringlutheran.com. Please feel free to call us with any questions or concerns at 989.652.4663.

Sincerely,
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