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## The Blessings of Family Camp (And That Changed Everything)

**M**y wife and I decided to take our family vacation at Lutheridge's Family Camp in 2018. When we first read the NovusWay brochure, we thought the Family Camp program was brand new. We were looking for something different than a resort; something that could help us connect as a family; and something that could



help us connect spiritually.

When we first arrived at camp and began unloading our cars, we were greeted warmly by other guests.

We quickly realized that many of the other guests already knew each other and some had been here for the last eight years. We felt like outsiders for a few moments, but the other guests immediately began inviting us to join them outside, sit with them at dinner, and hang out during free-time. During the first couple of days, Family Campers kept mentioning the magic of Family Camp at Lutheridge. Eventually we realized it was not so much the place, but the people and their Christ-likeness that made it so special and magical.

I would like to illustrate this with two examples. First, the other families were so kind, generous, and loving to us and our kids. My daughter, Evie, was playing in a kickball game on top of the mountains, when she made an error in the game. She was really upset and ran off the field to the side to begin crying. My wife and I watched from a distance at the picnic tables. My wife's first instinct was to run over to



Joe and Edie Casey and their children Evie and Shane are members of St. Andrew's Lutheran Church in Columbia, South Carolina

Evie and begin consoling her. I grabbed her arm and told her to just wait a second. Almost on cue, one of the older girls went over to Evie and began to encourage her to go back out there and try again. I could see Evie crying and saying no, but the little girl was persistent yet

encouraging. She finally convinced Evie to keep playing and soon there was a smile across her face. I was so moved by that little girl's actions because it is exactly how I would want my children to act when someone is upset and withdrawing. She modeled exactly what

Evie should do when she's the big girl and sees a friend upset. The power of peer modeling is strong; I spoke to Evie about it afterwards and will continue to draw upon that experience when I teach and counsel her as she grows.



Shane Casey (left) and his new friend from family camp, Baker Runge

The second magical example was similar, but with our other child, Shane. It was pool time and at the pool was a big, fun water-slide. The kids went up and down it several times. Shane is not a swimmer yet but wanted to do what all of the other kids were doing so he climbed up to the top of the slide. When he got to the top of the slide though, he simply sat there. Behind him, were about fifteen anxious little kids waiting their turn. The lifeguard urged him to go down. I was across the pool and began urging him. My wife Edie tried to climb up there but didn't want to go down the slide, nor go down the steps. Some of the kids started to yell for Shane to go ahead. None of the urging was mean-spirited or impatient, but again, encouraging. The groups of teens and tweens playing volleyball began to take notice that the slide activity had come to a halt and began yelling encouragements for Shane to go down the slide. Then one of the older boys began chanting "Go Shane." Almost immediately, everyone began chanting "Go Shane." The entirety of the Family Campers were chanting "Go Shane." And the little boy, apprehensive about sliding, still stood there a few more seconds before finally sliding down to a myriad of cheers and applause; that was magic. He splashed up from the water with a big smile and went

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**Lutheridge Family Camp 2019** will be held this summer on Week 4: June 30-July 6, (4th of July Week) and Week 7: July 21-27 (Christmas Week). See inside (pages 5 & 6) for other exciting program offerings at **Lutheridge**, **Lutherock**, **Luther Springs** and **Lutheranch**!

## Greetings from Lutheranch!

I feel both blessed and honored to have the opportunity to help lead the growth of such a unique and special place. Lutheranch has beautiful facilities and a property with diverse natural spaces for guests to enjoy and find respite and renewal. I'm excited to spread the word so others can share in the life-changing experience of coming here.

Although I grew up in Minnesota, I have lived in Atlanta for the past 15 years and have seen the city expand exponentially as people come to pursue education or new job opportunities, and to enjoy the beautiful weather and dynamic culture. While all the change and growth are exciting and bring vitality to the area, they also bring a population with an ever-increasing need for a place apart to slow down, disconnect from technology and all the busyness of everyday life, and reconnect with God and each other. Lutheranch is the perfect environment to fill that innate yearning we all have to find peace and community in Christ's love.

2019 will be an exciting year with several key initiatives underway at Lutheranch:

- Grow awareness of Lutheranch in the local community to drive increased site usage and serve more guests.
- Expand our program offerings. This year we will have 4 weeks of summer camp and several new adult and youth week-end retreats coming this fall.
- Establish a regular cadence of volunteer opportunities to help maintain and expand our facilities while strengthening our volunteer community.
- Create a 3-year Lutheranch strategic plan to grow and expand our ministry and reach a broader audience.

In closing, I want to say thank you to everyone who has helped make Lutheranch the beautiful place it is today. All the volunteer hours and generous financial gifts have truly made a difference, and our site manager, Shane Dathe, continues to keep the facilities and property in tip-top shape. I look forward to building on the solid foundation that has been laid and making Lutheranch a special place for people to experience for generations to come.

Peace and God bless,

Christina Yarnold  
Director, Lutheranch



Christina Yarnold, Director, Lutheranch



## Printz Family Field is Becoming a Reality!

It's exciting to be able to report that a contract for the finish grading and seeding has been set for the new Printz Family Field at Lutheranch. Initial grading of the field was completed several months ago, but rain and wet weather conditions prevented finish grading and seeding.

The great news is that the field will be ready for youth sports and activities this summer. Completion of a back-stop and other fencing will follow summer camp activities and will be completed in the fall.

The Printz Family Field will accommodate baseball, softball, and soccer and support youth and adult activities of all sorts, to include archery.

The recreation field was made possible through a generous gift from Mrs. Lou dell Printz and her husband Dennis Fowler, and the Stark Community Foundation. It's named in memory of Lou dell's parents, Al and Hazel Printz, and is in recognition of her Dad's love of baseball.



## Learn – Connect – Refresh 50forward Retreats at Lutheranch and Lutheridge

**50Forward** programming offers those in the late career/early retirement stage of life opportunities to learn, connect and refresh. Born through a generous grant from Prima and Syndey Gnann to promote faithful adult ministry and developed after several years of study and listening posts. 50Forward has evolved into a COMMUNITY, where we can ask questions, seek help and direction, have fun and grow together. 50Forward programming happens year-round providing backpacking trips, canoe excursions, Grandparents camp and an annual "Living Well" gathering, which lifts up a particular aspect of living well in this stage of life.



50Forward is expanding to Lutheranch Camp and Conference Center this spring, with a three-day seminar titled, 'Parenting in the 50Forward Years: Parenting Our Parents & Parenting Adult Children' (<https://50forwardlife.org/events/parenting/>) scheduled for March 22-24, 2019. The

program will be led by Pastor Tim Canniff-Kuhn and is comprised of two tracks, one for people who are caring for their aging parents, the other for parents who are living with their adult children. This retreat will allow participants to explore parenting challenges and joys, **learn** new strategies for parenting with experts in the field and gain valuable insight and resources from leading providers. It will also be a time to **connect** with a caring community who are facing similar issues and **refresh** through meaningful devotions and time away.

The next 50Forward "Living Well" retreat at Lutheridge, October 18-20, 2019, features Susan Pinker, who authored "The Village Effect", as the keynote speaker and focuses on how community is a vital component for health and wellness in life as we age. For more information about 50Forward please contact Pastor Tim Canniff-Kuhn at [tcanniff-kuhn@novusway.org](mailto:tcanniff-kuhn@novusway.org) or visit the website at <https://50forwardlife.org/>.

To register or for more information, please visit the event website or call registration at 828-209-6301 (Lutheranch) or 828-209-6302 (Lutheridge).



# REFLECTIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



In many ways, “change” was the theme of our ministry in 2018.

After nearly 25 years of excellent leadership, Keith Johnson retired as Executive Director-CEO and passed me the baton effective January 1, 2018. I remain grateful for the opportunity to serve this wonderful ministry and the fine folks who make up the greater NovusWay family at this key time in the history of the organization.

In addition to a change in leadership, this past year we built upon the existing strong foundation by exploring and implementing additional improvements and changes across numerous facets of the organization. In doing this, we always seek to honor a “three-way test of wisdom” by doing the right thing, the right way, in the right time (God’s thing, God’s way, in God’s time) as found in Ecclesiastes 8:6.

In 2018, we embraced the ELCA National Youth Gathering theme of “Camp Changes Everything.” Throughout the year, we celebrated the life-changing ministry that takes place at each of our four sites: Lutheridge, Lutherock, Luther Springs, and Lutheranch, and explored how our ministry impacts and helps change lives, churches, communities and thus, the world.

Camp ministry like ours is a proven vehicle for raising up the next generation of leaders, who become agents for positive change in all walks of life. One church-specific statistic that I find interesting is that nearly 100% of women and men who heard a call to full-time ministry in the Church reported discovering this calling as a result of positive experiences in either: (1) a Christian camp setting or (2) campus ministry, and in some cases, both.

Changing hearts, changing lives, and changing the world for God’s kingdom is our mission at NovusWay Ministries. The Christ-centered, faith-forming message shared in our programs and retreats by our amazing staff, combined with the deep and meaningful relationships formed while on-site in places set apart, is indeed life-changing . . . and world-changing.

Thank you for your faithful support of and partnership in this important work God has given us to do. Please join me in praying for wisdom for our Board, for me, and for our terrific staff as we seek ways to continue improving and evolving as a ministry in a rapidly changing world.

May God bless you richly in 2019!

Boyd W. Harris IV  
Executive Director-CEO

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up and down that slide about ten more times that day. Seeing the entire Family Camp come together to cheer him and encourage him was a magical moment for us. People could have become impatient and/or yelled at him. But instead, all of the other children treated him kindly and did the exact thing I would want my own children to do: encourage, welcome, and support.

I’d also be remiss if I didn’t mention the amazing adult Family Campers that my wife and I were able to bond with and share some good laughs and stories with during Bible study, dinners, gaga ball, and Frisbee tossing. Pastor Will Rose and his wife Cindy led a fantastic Bible Study that engaged and challenged us. The counselors did a great job organizing the activities that kept us and the kids interested and entertained from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. We were able to enjoy time with our family and the other campers by exploring the wilderness around Lutheridge, hiking up a waterfall in the mountains, canoeing on the lake, participating in Bible studies, and shouting the Lord’s Prayer from a mountain top.

I’ve been to Disney; but for us, the most magical place is Lutheridge, during Family Camp week!

## Staffing Updates

NovusWay has recruited and added some excellent people to our team this year as well as changing responsibilities of some current staff. Here are some recent additions and changes:



**Philippe Rosse** has helped fill numerous staffing and skill set gaps in the organization in 2018 as Director of Strategy and Sustainability while we evaluated, assessed, restructured, and brought on new staff. Philippe will now serve as **Director of Business Development**. In this role, he will focus on hosted ministry, retreat rentals, marketing, corporate partnerships, and other strategic growth opportunities. Philippe has already helped advance our reach and revenue in these areas.



**Craig Rieger** will step in as **Interim Lutherock Director** and assume executive responsibility for all aspects of the site including budget, hosted ministry, buildings and grounds, program hiring, kitchen and other site staff. Craig will fulfill this role from the home office while still maintaining his responsibilities as VP of Sites and Facilities. Craig and his family previously served at Lutherock for over 10 years.

### “Godspeed to the Ridenhours”



We thank Kara and Jacob Ridenhour for their years of faithful service in this ministry. Kara has accepted an exciting position with Outward Bound right here in Asheville. With her resignation and due to the co-director model, we lose not just one, but both Ridenhours. Kara and Jacob leave a lasting mark on NovusWay, in particular, at Lutherock where they have been directors the past five years. Kara and Jacob have themselves been shaped by the ministry and have left their imprint on it. Kara and Jacob have been counselors and on the senior staff leadership team at Lutherock before they began service as part of the year-round ministry of NovusWay. Kara used her organizational skills in the registration office, while working with church and school groups at Lutheridge and Lutherock, before becoming the assistant program director at Lutheridge. Jacob has long provided leadership for non-summer program groups as well as direction for the Outdoor Adventure Program of Lutheridge and Lutherock. Together they led five safe, meaningful summers at Lutherock, adding to programming for younger campers while developing that site. Together they also launched Living Waters Outdoor School providing a strong base for future growth of that program. It is hard to measure the impact Jacob and Kara have had on thousands of campers and staff while sharing their gifts with NovusWay Ministries. Having re-located into their own home in Arden (at Lutheridge) last August, with parents (grandparents) and close friends to support them, Jacob will be continuing his work with Biltmore Estates while Kara will begin a position with Outward Bound. Please join us in surrounding them with prayers during this time of transition.

## Registration Improvements and Updates in 2019

As many of you may have noticed, much has changed in recent years regarding online and manual registrations for the ministry. It is very important to us that we continue to make improvements that better serve our guests. In the fall of 2018 we made some upgrades to our online user software and we wanted to share some of these changes with you.

The biggest improvement was the addition of individual registration portals for each of our four sites. This feature allows guests to see only programs for the site they have selected, which means guests no longer need to scroll through pages of content for all our sites just to find their desired program. We have also reformatted the way in which programs are displayed for online users. This cleaner format means that users can quickly identify the program for which they want to register and then select the week they want to come. As with all our updates, we are monitoring guest satisfaction and so far, the results look good. We plan to gradually start implementing changes to the group registration and family camp registration process this year; Users can expect to start seeing these changes as early as Fall 2019.



In addition to software updates we have restructured the registration department and added Anjanette Clifton as the new Lutheridge Registrar. Anjanette moved to Asheville in November of 2017 after serving with her family as missionaries in Chiang Mai, Thailand for three and a half years. She is truly an asset to the ministry and she is eager to help meet the needs of Lutheridge guests. She can be reached at 828-209-6302 or [aclifton@novusway.org](mailto:aclifton@novusway.org).

Registration questions concerning Lutherock, Luther Springs or Lutheranch may be directed to the registration office at 828-209-6301 or [registration@novusway.org](mailto:registration@novusway.org).





Securing the Future of  
Luther Springs and Lutherock

## Mission Possible Campaign Exceeds Goal!

The Florida-Bahamas Synod's Mission Possible campaign to secure the future of Luther Springs and Lutherock met and exceeded the campaign goal by December 31, 2018. Mission Possible gifts and pledges, as of December 31, total \$2.276 million. The campaign's base goal was \$2.235 million. "I'm truly grateful to God," reports Mission Possible's Campaign Director, Pastor Jan Setzler, "for the 43 congregations in Florida and North Carolina and the hundreds of donors in those congregations who helped us do what many thought could not be done.

We reached and exceeded the campaign goal!" Campaign contributions to date are helping to secure the future of Luther Springs by expanding facilities. New construction at Luther Springs includes a fifth camper cabin, Kinports kitchen expansion, another adult housing wing, and a lakeside classroom for the outdoor environmental education program. An additional commercial washer and dryer and new flooring to replace the carpet in Kinports, gifts of Kent and Donna Richter, are also much-needed additions.

Mission Possible funds helped to secure the future of Lutherock with the purchase of two critical pieces of property – a 52 acre tract that included the entrance to the property and a "buffer" parcel near the pinnacle that prevents further encroachment from developers. The "buffer" parcel is funded by campaigns in three of the original North Carolina congregations to whom the original 50 acres that are now Lutherock were given.



The Kinports dining area now has beautiful new flooring!



Atonement Chapel and Meeting Room (artist's rendering)

"God is not finished with us yet," Pastor Setzler gratefully admits. "We have three construction projects at Luther Springs yet to do. We have to get the Atonement Chapel and Meeting Room built this year. We have to build the teaching dock to complete our environmental education program facilities. And we have to enclose Kinports' porch to become a lounge and overflow dining." The latter two projects have been funded by naming gifts.

"To construct the Chapel", Setzler says, "we need additional funds. We recently learned that construction costs increased on average 5% a year since we prepared the campaign budget in 2014. We budgeted \$350,000 to build the Chapel." Bids today are at least \$100,000 higher, reflecting increased construction costs. "I'm deeply grateful to God for at least four more congregations that have indicated a willingness to conduct Mission Possible mini-campaigns to help us raise the additional funds needed to get the Chapel built. I believe God will raise up the donors and funds we need to build the Chapel this year," Setzler stated. It could be you. To help, contact Pastor Jan Setzler by email: [jsetzler@novusway.org](mailto:jsetzler@novusway.org) or phone at 864-942-2974.

## NovusWay - GOOD NEWS

Nathan Canniff-Kuhn generously donated a Toyota Rav 4 for camp use.



Ellen Moretz is pictured to the left with the Mercury Mountaineer that she donated. We are grateful for these vehicle gifts to help keep our staff on the road!

The Epiphany Builders from Epiphany Lutheran Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, spent several days last fall volunteering at Lutheridge. They replaced the floor in a cabin and helped remove beetle damage in Pioneer B lodge.

Bo Harris, Executive Director (rt.) visits with Rev. Marion Clark (l.) and other supporters at a gathering in November at the Blue Marlin in Columbia, South Carolina.



A luncheon was held at Lutheranch on November 7 to honor and thank so many volunteers who have contributed to making the McKanna-Sandrock Retreat Center and events at Lutheranch a success. About 40 volunteers and staff attended the event.



Donald and Lela Poust are long-time members of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Vero Beach, and they have served our Ministry as volunteers, supporters and donors. For 21 years they have been major donors to the Ministry, with a focus on Lutherock, scholarships and the Mission Possible Campaign for Lutherock and Luther Springs. They even recently donated an ice cream churn to Lutherock! Though they live in Florida, they still make the trip to Lutherock in Newland, North Carolina every year to volunteer their time to help service maintenance equipment. They have also assisted the other sites with an inventory of their vehicles and equipment. They are true NovusWay volunteers and supporters! They volunteer in their community with Habitat for Humanity. In addition, their son, Wade, of Hickory, North Carolina, has inherited their volunteer spirit. He participates in Music Week at Lutheridge and volunteers for various painting and construction projects along with the Lutheran Builders of WNC.



Thank you Volunteers and Supporters. You are a blessing to us!

## ZiptheRock II



The bike ride has been rescheduled! Pastor Frank Wagner's ZiptheRock II bike ride

from Juno Beach, FL to North Carolina, which was cancelled last September, has been rescheduled for March 17 through 26, 2019. Each night during this approximately 900-mile journey, Pastor Wagner will spend the night at various churches to spread the word of all the great things occurring at Lutherock and increase support for a zipline. This is Pastor Wagner's second such trip (the first in 2016) and this campaign has raised \$80,000, leaving \$40,000 needed for completion of the zip line project. For this year's ride, a \$20,000 matching gift has been pledged leaving only the last \$20,000 to be raised by churches and donors. Please go to [www.lutherock.org/zip-the-rock](http://www.lutherock.org/zip-the-rock) to donate or for more information. We all excited to cheer Pastor Wagner on and hope to join him on the road for a few legs (but likely not all) of his journey.



For additional information contact Philippe Rosse at [prosse@novusway.org](mailto:prosse@novusway.org) or 828-209-6317.

# SUMMER CAMPS

REGISTRATION IS OPEN AT  
WWW.NOVUSWAY.ORG OR CALL 828-684-2361



Situated on 160 acres in the mountains of Western North Carolina near Asheville, Lutheridge Camp & Conference Center is accredited by the American Camping Association (ACA) and features a lake, swimming pool, hiking trails, low ropes course, challenge tower, and indoor climbing wall. Caring, well-trained, college-age counselors—many of them Wilderness First Aid certified—ensure that all campers are safe, and a licensed EMT or Registered Nurse is on staff every week of camp. Activities include pool time and crafts, Bible study and creative worship, games, hikes, campfires, and skits.

Directors,  
Pastor Mary Canniff-Kuhn and  
Pastor Tim Canniff-Kuhn

	Grades 1-2	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12	Adults & Family
<b>Week 1 June 9-15</b>		Pioneers   Crazy Cool Campout (Grades 4-6)	Nite Owl Explorers   Cave & Wave At Ramble	Cave & Wave Hammock Hangout	
<b>Week 2 June 16-22</b>	First Camp (Wed-Sat)	Pioneers Pony Express (Grades 4-6)	Fire & Water Explorers Hammock Hangout   Rock & Raft	Rock & Raft	Grandparents Camp (Sun-Wed)
<b>Week 3 June 23-29</b>	First Camp	Pioneers	Kairos Camp (Grades 6-9) Nite Owl Explorers   High In The Sky	High In Sky	
<b>Week 4 June 30- July 6 4Th Of July Week</b>	First Camp	Pioneers	Launch Explorers Fire & Water Explorers   Canoe Camp	Water Week   At Trek Nite Owls	Family Camp Hilltop Summershine
<b>Week 5 July 7-13 Music Week</b>	First Camp - Music Week	Pioneers - Music Week Crazy Cool Campout (Grades 4-6)	Music Week - Explorers High In The Sky   At Ramble	High In Sky High School - Music Week	Adult - Music Week
<b>Week 6 July 14-20</b>	First Camp	Pioneers Climb High (Grades 4-6)	Kairos Camp (Grades 6-9) Launch Explorers   Rock & Raft Cave & Wave	Cave & Wave Hammock Hangout	Hilltop Summershine
<b>Week 7 July 21-27 Christmas Week</b>	First Camp	Pioneers	Nite Owl Explorers High In The Sky   Canoe Camp	Water Week Asheville Adventure	Family Camp Lakeside Summershine
<b>Week 8 July 28-Aug 3</b>	Kinder Camp (Ages 4- 7) First Camp (Sun-Wed)	Pioneers Crazy Cool Campout (Grades 4-6)	Fire & Water Explorers Hammock Hangout   Rock & Raft	Rock & Raft   At Trek	Grandparents Camp (Sun-Wed)



Perched on 753 acres atop mile-high Sugar Mountain near Boone, North Carolina, Lutherock offers high adventure programming for all ages with a focus on caring for creation. All programs include daily Bible study, creative worship, games, adventure activities, and campfire programs (complete with skits and s'mores). Counselors are well-trained college-age young adults, and all Lutherock staff are CPR and Wilderness First Aid certified. Lutherock is accredited by the American Camping Association (ACA).

Interim Director, Craig Rieger

	Grades 2-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12	Adults & Family
<b>Week 1 June 9-15</b>	Pathfinders	Blue Ridge Expeditions	Appalachian Adventures	
<b>Week 2 June 16-22</b>	Trekkers, (Sun-Wed Or Wed-Sat) (Grades 2-3 Only)   Pathfinders	Whitewater Backpack Rock N Rollers 1/2 Week	Whitewater Backpack Rock N Rollers (Sun-Wed)	
<b>Week 3 June 23-29</b>	Ropes N Rocks	Nocturnal Adventures Whitewater Expeditions	Whitewater Expeditions	
<b>Week 4 June 30 - July 6</b>	Available For Retreat Rentals Contact Angie Yates At Ayates@Novusway.org Or 828-209-6328			
<b>Week 5 July 7-13</b>	Trekkers, (Sun-Wed Or Wed-Sat) (Grades 2-3 Only) Pathfinders	Whitewater Backpack Nocturnal Adventures	Whitewater Expeditions	
<b>Week 6 July 14-20</b>	Ropes N Rocks	Cycle, Zip N Raft	Cycle, Zip N Raft	
<b>Week 7 July 21-27</b>	Pathfinders	Cycle, Zip N Raft Whitewater Expeditions	Cycle, Zip N Raft	Grandkids N Me (Half Week)
<b>Week 8 July 28-Aug 3</b>	Pathfinders	Blue Ridge Expeditions Rock N Rollers (Sun-Wed, Wed-Sat)	Appalachian Adventures Rock N Rollers (Sun-Wed, Wed-Sat)	



Scenically set on 350 acres on the shore of Lake Vause, east of Gainesville, Florida, Luther Springs is a place where campers of all ages enjoy growing in faith while immersed in the beauty of God's creation. All counselors are well-trained, loving, and caring young adults, and all are CPR and First Aid Certified. Every program at Luther Springs includes daily Bible study, creative worship, games, crafts, and campfire programs, with fun skits and s'mores.

Director, Sue Mendenhall

	Grades 1-2	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12	Adults & Family
<b>Week 1 June 9-14</b>	Mini Camp Half Week Mini Camp Full Week	Discoverers	Horse & Kayak	Leadership Basic & Advanced	
<b>Week 2 June 16-21</b>			Ropes & Zips Adventure	Ropes & Zips Adventure	Grands Camp June 16-19
<b>Week 3 June 23-28</b>			Missouri Synod Servant Week	Panhandle Disaster Response	
<b>Week 4 June 30- July 5</b>				Panhandle Disaster Response	
<b>Week 5 July 7-12</b>			Camp Gators	Camp Gators	
<b>Week 6 July 14-19</b>	Mini Camp (Sun-Tues) Mini Camp Full Week	Discoverers	Journey Of Faith Confirmation	Ropes & Zips Advanced	
<b>Week 7 July 21-26</b>	Mini Camp (Sun-Tues) Mini Camp Full Week	Discoverers	Horseback & Stabling	Horseback & Stabling	



Kick back and enjoy nature at our newest camp and retreat center, a 519-acre oasis of rolling meadows, forests, lakes, and a trout stream, located just west of Atlanta, Georgia. This is our second summer in the new retreat center, so we hope you help us celebrate by sending someone special to camp! Summer counselors come from Luther Springs to lead summer camp week at Luther Ranch.

Director, Christina Yarnold

	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12	Adults + Family
<b>Week 1 June 16-21</b>	Buckaroos		Moonlight Wranglers	
<b>Week 2 June 23-28</b>	Buckaroos	Mountain Valley Ranchers		
<b>Week 3 June 30-July 5</b>				Home On The Ranch (Family Camp)
<b>Week 4 July 7-12</b>	Buckaroos	Range Riders		

**Regular camp activities at all sites include a daily Bible lesson, creative outdoor worship, campfire fun, water activities, crafts, games, skits and more.**





# 2019 PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

TO REGISTER CALL 828-684-2361  
OR WWW.NOVUSWAY.ORG

**Grands Weekend**  
**March 8-10, 2019**  
**Adult \$105 Youth: \$70**



Grandparents and Grandkids join us for a GRAND WEEKEND enjoying a time of spiritual growth and fun. Each day includes regular camp activities, cookie baking, worship, Bible Study, exploring creativity, sharing stories, growing together in Christ and family free time. Children may stay with grandparent(s) in a motel-style room or in a cabin with a Luther Springs counselor.

**Wild Women Weekends**  
**March 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, 2019**  
**\$223**

Adult women of all ages will gain fresh vision and new strength in the beauty of the mountains. Bring a group to deepen fellowship with women you know, or come alone to find kindred spirits among women from across the southeast. Bible study and creative worship will focus on God's promise in transition times. How do we move from one season to another without fear or regret? Where does Jesus offer JOY at every stage? Thoughtful reflection + Laughter and FUN make for a wonderful retreat. Become a Wild Woman at Lutheridge!



**Parenting in the 50Forward Years**  
**Parenting our Parents and Parenting Adult Children**  
**March 22-24, 2019**  
**\$230**



Join others in late career/early retirement years to find support and information for parenting challenges. Two tracks, each led by a professional counselor, will offer advice and resources for those struggling with parenting their parents or unsure how to best parent adult children. Choose the track that fits your need, then come together for worship, fellowship, and refreshment in God's creation.

**Faith Alive!**  
**April 5-7, 2019**  
**10 Commandments or Luther/Reformation**  
**Youth: \$189 Adult: \$97**

\*Youth receive a \$30 discount by registering at least a month before the retreat\*  
Experiential learning leaves lasting lessons and builds relationships. Creative worship, crafts, songs, games and a campfire create an experience long remembered. Lutheridge staff provide supervision of campers, sharing their faithful witness. Lessons are geared to middle school, but 5th graders and high school youth are welcome. Adults are encouraged, but not required to attend with their youth.



**God's Spa for Women**  
**April 5-7, 2019**  
**Single Occupancy \$230 Double Occupancy \$180 Cabin \$155**

Soak in the beautiful scenery and solitude of Luther Springs, relaxing your mind, body and spirit. Activities may include: faith filled conversation, devotions, music, journaling, guided meditation, relaxing, and spa-type activities such as facials, manicures, pedicures, and massages.



**Create-in-Me**  
**April 25-28, 2019**  
**Onsite: \$310 Commuter: \$210**



Give creativity larger space in your life. Explore the FRUITS of the SPIRIT through music, words, paint, movement, fabric, drums, paper, clay and more! Inspiring Bible study by NC Synod Bishop Tim Smith and creative worship are highlights of this retreat. Learn from artists excited to share their skills with you. No experience is needed! Let God create in YOU!

**Respite in the Wilderness**  
**April 30-May 2, 2019**  
**\$100**

A gift from NovusWay Ministries to the rostered ministers and church professionals of the Florida-Bahamas Synod. Enjoy a retreat of rest and renewal through prayer and study.



**Theology on Tap Weekend**  
**May 3-5, 2019**  
**\$210**



Join us for a weekend of craft brews and the GOOD NEWS! Pastors Andrea and Kyle Bates will lead us in Bible study and fellowship. We will visit local breweries that could include: Lost Province Brewing, Appalachian Mountain Brewery, Beech Mountain Brewery or Blowing Rock Ale House. Lutherock staff will provide transportation for the brewery tour. (Bring money for brews and dinner Saturday evening) Each participant will receive a Lutherock pint glass. Participants will also enjoy a guided hike on Lutherock's property, games and fellowship time, rest, and Beer & Hymns on Saturday night. This program is housed in our hotel-style retreat center: Crows Nest Lodge.

**Home on the Ranch (Family Camp)**  
**June 30 - July 5**  
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Enjoy the fun of summer camp as a family. Make new friends and memories that last a lifetime. Includes canoeing, paddle boarding, swimming, fishing, hiking, regular camp activities, meaningful worship and more! Housing is in the McKanna-Sandrock Center.

**Family Camp**  
**June 30 - July 6, 4th of July week**  
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Enjoy camp as a family and build faith. This camp provides a low stress, affordable vacation. Kids are with counselors each morning. Includes guided outing into Pisgah Forest, special activities for 4th of July and Christmas week and regular camp activities in adult family housing.

**Quilt Retreat**  
**Thursday - Sunday,**  
**September 26-29**

**\$245**

Join designer and teacher Mitzie Schafer for a weekend of stitching fun. Bring your own project and "quilt 'til you wilt"! Mitzie, a rostered ELCA Deacon, will provide daily devotions, and offer a lecture on Quilt Yoga - as well as being available to offer help with all your quilting projects. Find out more about Mitzie at [www.jitterywings.com](http://www.jitterywings.com). The retreat includes delicious food and a lovely setting, plus a Trunk Show, Show & Tell, optional field trips to fabric stores, and/or the annual Asheville Quilt Show - which will be happening right down the street. Bring friends and make new ones!





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We are excited to share that Luther Springs will offer two weeks of Disaster Response and Recovery in the Panhandle this summer.

During the Journey of Faith Confirmation retreat in October and the Trailblazer elementary retreat in November, both at Luther Springs, youth created over 225 personal care kits. They and their congregations also donated enough relief supplies to fill three vans, contributed \$1,067 and over \$1,600 in gift cards. The youth and



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children of these retreats worked hard organizing the supplies, creating kits and during each retreat, helped write and read the portion of worship in which the donations were blessed.

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