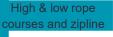
## Exciting New Opportunities at Camp Wartburg



Indoor & outdoor climbing walls







Canoe outing on the nearby Kaskaskia River

#### And Some Camper Favorites From Past Years



"I learned a valuable lesson at camp. We are not building our relationship with God for this one week. Rather, we are building our relationship with God every day of our lives and choosing this week to strengthen it." - former camper



"I love our worship time with our music. and singing around a campfire at the end of a day!" - camper

"The first year I went I was expecting to make new friends but instead I left with a whole family of Christians." - counselor

"My kids come home with renewed excitement about Jesus and memories





# EPISCOPAL CHURCH CAMP OF ILLINOIS

June 23-29, 2024 Camp Wartburg Waterloo, Illinois





#### **Our Mission Statement**

The purpose of Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois is to provide both youth and adult participants with the extraordinary opportunity to live in a Christian community within the environment of the cabins, lakes, and woods of Camp Wartburg near Waterloo, Illinois. It is our goal that all participants will experience this life in Christ, the particular expressions of which may be somewhat different from what they experience in their home parishes; and that their growth in Christ may be enriched by these experiences.

### How we differ from secular camps

- Clergy assigned to each session available for spiritual direction, counseling, prayer, etc.
- Daily worship
- Staff who are committed to being Christian
- Time away from daily routines to focus on God

#### A Typical Day Includes

- Holy Eucharist
- In session teaching class led by Diocesan clergy
- Water activities (swimming, canoeing, etc.)
- Opportunities to participate in crafts and sports
- Singing around the campfire
- "Choice Time" which may include activities like rock climbing, ropes course, nature hikes, archery, group games, extra Bible study, and many more.

#### How we ensure camper safety

All counselors and staff of ECC are fingerprinted and undergo a background check through the Illinois State Police.

All counselors and staff of ECC must complete a sexual abuse awareness and prevention course as mandated by the Diocese.

No outside visitors are allowed during the week without approval from the Bishop and camp coordinator.

All water activities are supervised by properly trained and licensed lifeguards provided by Camp Wartburg. Lake activities require life jackets, and climbing activities require proper safety equipment.



#### **Camper Fees**

1st camper in family \$275 2nd camper in family \$250 Each additional in family \$225

\*Early bird discount of \$10 when registration is completed before 5/1/2024

#### Fee includes:

- Six nights and seven days at camp (Sunday afternoon through Saturday morning)
- All meals and snacks during the week
- A t-shirt displaying the theme of the week
- A group photo
- Activities during the week including water activities, crafts, and special events

The Diocese of Springfield will pay ½ of the fee for first-time campers from churches in the Diocese. Other scholarships may be available.

#### Groups are divided by age/grade

Alphas: Children who have completed grades 1-5

Omegas: Children who have completed grades 6-11

#### **Our story**

Episcopal Church Camp of Illinois is a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Springfield. ECC started in the early 1960s and has ministered to thousands of campers over the years. We are a not-for-profit camp that is organized and staffed by volunteers. While ECC is sponsored by the Diocese, we warmly welcome campers and staff from any denomination.

