



# Family Camp Guide

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The camps of Crossways are excited to welcome your family for transformative programming this summer! As we prepare to create a safe, fun, and memorable experience for all our summer guests, we want to share some important details to help your preparation go smoothly. Thank you for making camp at Crossways a priority for your family!

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# Arrival & Departure - Check-in & Check-Out

## Arrival & Departure:

Arrival & Departure specifics vary at each site. Our staff will welcome you and direct you through the process. When you arrive at camp, you will receive your cabin assignment, check-in with our health coordinator and complete a health screening, then settle into camp. If you need to arrive later than the scheduled time, please contact your site director in advance.

Crossways staff will check or confirm the status of any unexplained absentee campers after the close of the check-in time.

**At Imago Dei Village** Please arrive between 3:00PM-4:30PM on Sunday, July 30th. Staff will greet you at the main parking lot. After lunch on Friday, campers will gather for a brief closing program at 12:15PM before 1:00PM departure.

**At Pine Lake** Please arrive between 6:00PM-6:30PM on Friday, June 30th for Week 4 programming. Please eat dinner prior to arriving at camp, or pick something up that can be eaten onsite. We will plan to have an evening snack. Please arrive between 3:00PM-4:30PM on Sunday, August 6th for our Week 9 programming. Staff will greet you at the Dining Hall and direct you to parking following check-in. Additional family members coming to pick up campers (including our GrandKid campers) are invited to lunch at 11:30AM prior to closing. After lunch, campers will gather for a brief closing program at 12:15PM before 1:00PM departure.

**At Waypost** Please arrive between 3:30PM-4:30PM on Wednesday, July 5th and check-in at the Chapel. A picnic lunch for families will be served at 12:15PM followed by 1:00PM Closing Worship and 1:30PM dismissal.

## Lodging at Camp:

**At Imago Dei Village** each family is assigned to a chalet, duplex, or Johnson Lodge room with its own bathroom and shower.

**At Pine Lake** each family is assigned a cabin or a retreat center room with bathrooms and showers attached. Bed and bath linens are provided if you selected Evergreen Retreat Center lodging.

**At Waypost** each family is assigned a cabin or lodge room with shared bathroom and shower facilities.

## Camp Store:

Canteen is open twice a day for campers to purchase drinks, snacks, and clothing.

Money be added online, up to 14 days before your arrival day, through the registration portal at [Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com](https://Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com) Families may add funds to their canteen account onsite with cash, check or cards. Balances remaining at the end of the week will be returned in cash.

## Mission Partner:

Each summer Crossways chooses a mission partner to create change and inspire campers. Our campers will learn about this initiative with their cabin groups, discuss ways they can make an impact, and at the end of the week have an opportunity to give generously of their remaining canteen money.

## Directions to Camp:

Directions to camp can be found online at [CrosswaysCamps.org/program-information](https://CrosswaysCamps.org/program-information). These updated directions are especially important for campers attending Pine Lake Camp. Your favorite navigation services may have changed since your last visit, and we want you to arrive without unneeded stress.

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Pictures Of Lodging Spaces Can Be Found On Our Website

## Cancellation Policy

If your family is no longer able to attend camp, refunds for balances paid, less the \$100 non-refundable deposit, will be reimbursed by check.

If Crossways is unable to hold your camp program because local/state/federal guidelines have closed or limited access to camp or Crossways determines we're unable to provide a positive and safe experience

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If you are unable to attend because of a medical condition (including COVID-19 quarantine or self-isolation) or a death in the close family,

1. We invite you to convert payments in full or part to a tax-deductible donation to Crossways.
2. We will work to reschedule with you to another time within 12 months of program.
3. If neither options work for you, we will return your payment in full, either in the same method you paid or a voucher good for future Crossways events.

If Crossways is open and hosting guests, but you determine you wish to cancel your camp session:

- With more than 30 days' notice, we will refund all deposits and payments.
- With 15-30 days' notice, all but 50% of your deposit will be refunded.
- If you give less than 15 days' notice, your deposit will be forfeited.
- if you must leave your camp program early for any reason, we are unable to provide a refund.

## Payment

Final balance is due 30 days prior to the start of camp session.

## Contact With Home

### Mail:

There is nothing better than a letter from home when you are away at camp. Please use the addresses at the bottom of the page for postal mail.

Campers can mail letters or postcards out daily from camp so feel free to send pre-addressed, stamped envelopes along to encourage their letter writing home to you, family, and friends.

### (Camper's Name)

#### Imago Dei Village

W8160 Cloverleaf Lake Rd.  
Clintonville, WI 54929

### (Camper's Name)

#### Pine Lake Camp

W5631 Akron Ave  
Waupaca, WI 54981

### (Camper's Name)

#### Waypost Camp

210608 Crooked Lake Rd.  
Hatley, WI 54440

## Family Camp Themes

### Imago Dei Village:

This summer we are going to be looking at what it means to be a community and how each member of our communities are important!

**Monday Theme - Community Helpers!** Who are the people in our communities that work to help others? Come as your favorite helper!

**Tuesday Theme - When I grow up!** Dress up as what you want to be when you grow up! If you consider yourself already grown up, dress up as what you wanted to be when you were 10!

### Pine Lake:

The clues are adding up and the puzzle is coming together. We think the top secret information is about to become unclassified as we solve this case together. Join the other agents at our headquarters until we declare this mystery case closed at our detective theme night!

### Waypost:

You are cordially invited to Waypost Camp for a night of fine dining. Pull out your best formal wear to enjoy a night of... wait? Something's gone missing? What's missing? Who done it? And where? Join us for our family camp theme night of the classic board game "Clue" to solve the mystery.

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# Medical Information & Health at Camp

Health Forms are due 2 weeks before your camp start date

## Camper & Adult Health History Form:

Medical Forms must be completed at least 2 weeks before the start of the camp session. Forms can be accessed in our registration portal at

[Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com](http://Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com).

## Medical Services:

Each site has a Wilderness First Aid trained staff member on-site at all times for health needs and medication distribution. Routine first aid will be provided by the health coordinator or a camp staff member certified in First Aid and CPR as needed. If medical problems occur, the camps of Crossways use local clinics and hospitals to treat medical conditions or accidents. Medical expenses will be billed to you through these clinics. Crossways does not carry medical coverage for campers.

## Medication:

All camper medications should be listed on the Camper Health History Form. All camper medications must be kept in a locked box in your family's cabin. Lockable boxes will be provided. This is a policy to protect young children from unlocked medications.

## Over The Counter Medication:

We stock over the counter medications for cold symptoms, minor aches and pains, etc. We ask that you **do not pack** these medications unless a camper uses over the counter medication daily. These medications will also be collected, stored and distributed by the health coordinator.

## Food Allergies:

Please list food allergies or special diet accommodations, in the Camper Health History Form. In addition, **please call the camp you/your camper will be attending at least two weeks before your week of camp to discuss their particular needs with our staff.** Don't hesitate to reach out sooner with any concerns. Campers may arrange to bring special supplemental food items with them, but all food items will be stored in our kitchens and pantries under the guidance of our staff.

Copies of All forms can be found on our Website  
[www.CrosswaysCamps.org](http://www.CrosswaysCamps.org)

## Rights & Dignity Statement

Crossways Camping Ministries respects the rights and dignity of every participant, volunteer, and staff member. We create a place of acceptance and belonging for people of different backgrounds and abilities, and promote a community of equals, where every member is respected.

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## Special Programs

All camp programs and activities are designed to enhance the camper experience. We seek to challenge each individual to grow personally and as part of our community. Some of these programs involve giving campers an opportunity to step outside of their comfort zone.

### Archery (Waypost Only)

All campers will have the opportunity to participate in archery. Participants will be fitted with an armguard. Our certified staff will instruct and enforce safety protocol.

### Bike Trips

Bike trips are for middle school and high school campers off-site on quiet country and lake community roads. Our bikes are maintained regularly. Before each trip campers are properly fitted with a helmet and are instructed on safety procedures. Two staff, trained in leading bike trips, participate in every trip. On all trips a staff member carries a first aid kit as well as a cell phone to ensure contact with appropriate authorities in the event of an emergency.

### Canoe Trips (Imago Dei Village Only)

Middle school and high school campers are able to participate in canoe trips on a river near the camp. For these trips campers are transported to and from camp in camp vehicles. Prior to each trip, campers are taught basic canoe skills and are outfitted properly with paddles and personal flotation devices. Trips are led by trained lifeguards and at least 2 trip-trained staff. On all trips a staff member carries a first aid kit as well as a cell phone to ensure contact with appropriate authorities in the event of an emergency.

### Climbing Wall (Imago Dei Village Only)

Upper elementary, middle school, and high school campers will have the opportunity to climb our rock wall. Each camper is fitted with a safety harness and helmet for their climb. Our certified staff instructs all campers in safety procedures before their climb and guide campers safely through each climb from start to finish.

## Other Information

### Pets

Except for guide service animals, guests are not allowed to bring pets onto camp facilities.

### Boats & Motorized Vehicles

Boats and canoes are available to our guests. Launching or docking private boats at our docks is not allowed due to safety and insurance reasons. Public access to Pine Lake and Mission Lake (at Waypost) are available a short drive from camp. There is no public access to the lake at Imago Dei Village. No motorbikes, ATV's and other motorized vehicles are allowed on camp property.

### Alcohol & Tobacco

All camp facilities have been declared alcohol and tobacco free environments for our guests during our summer programming.

### Tips & Gratuities

The services we provide are part of our ministry. Please do not offer tips or gratuities to our staff. (As an alternative, consider a donation to Crossways in honor of a staff member.)

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# Packing List

- Bible
- Sleeping Bag and Pillow
- Towels (Bath, Washcloth, & Beach)
- Personal Toiletries (Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Toothbrush, Ect.)
- Tennis Shoes
- Swimsuit
- Water Shoes (or sandals) for walking to the waterfront - Flip flops are not allowed unless for use in the shower. All sandals must have back and be securely attached to the whole foot.
- Long Pants & Sweatshirt
- T-shirts & Shorts
- Pajamas
- Jacket
- Underwear & Socks
- Rain Gear
- Non-Aerosol Bug Spray & Sunscreen
- Medications in Original Containers
- Water Bottle

***Crossways is not liable for the damage or loss of any personal property.***

## Paperwork:

- General Health Form must be completed online at least 2 weeks prior to program start at [Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com](http://Crossways.CampBrainRegistration.com)*

## Optional Items:

- Camera
- Stationary, stamps, envelopes
- Sunglasses
- Flashlight
- Theme Night Costumes or props
- Your Fun Mug (Returning Imago Dei Village Campers)
- Money for the Camp Store & Mission Project Offering

## Do Not Bring:

- Cell Phone
- Personal Electronic Devices (video games, computers, eReaders)
- Personal sports equipment
- Alcohol, Drugs (including tobacco products and vapes)
- Weapons of any kind, including pocket knives
- Fireworks
- Pets
- Hair Dryers, Curling Irons, Excessive Toiletries
- Gum, Candy, Snacks (we try to prevent woody critters from joining the cabin groups!)