

CAMP AMBASSADORS

Worship Talking Points

1. Introduce Yourself

"Good Morning, my name is ____." If you have a camp connection (former camper, volunteer, camper parent) share that too.

2. Tell the Congregation about Camp Sunday

"Today is Camp Sunday, which means we'll be talking in worship and Sunday School about opportunities available through our UMC camps. It is a time to lift up and celebrate your beautiful camps."

3. Share why camp is important to you, and acknowledge that it holds special memories for many sitting here today

"Camp is important to me because..."

"I've always enjoyed camp because..."

"My kids look forward to camp..."

"I can't wait to get back to camp because..."

"One of the most important things I learned at camp was..."

4. Hold up a Camp Brochure

There are camps for campers of all ages to explore: 3 in Minnesota and 3 in the Dakotas - most available all year, not just in the summer months!

5. All Ages Welcome

There are great camps and retreats for all age levels; pre-k to high school and family and grandparents camps. There are also volunteer opportunities at all camps.

6. American Camp Association

To earn accreditation, camps must comply with hundreds of health, safety, and program quality standards.

7. Camp Chill (Next Year!)

This fun camp fundraiser will assist your congregation in raising funds to help pay for camp fees. It also connects Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota in camp unity.

8. Camp Theme Options

There are a large variety of specialty camps with a unique focus. Examples are water sports, horseback riding, music, drama, fishing, archery, leadership, to name just a few! Often Camp Sunday is an appropriate time to ask for a designated camp offering.

9. Funding Available

Some congregations share in the cost of camp for their campers. The Central Camping office also has camperships available if additional funding is needed.

Sunday School & Youth Group Talking Points

1. Introduce Yourself

"Good Morning, my name is ____." If you have a camp connection (former camper, staff, camper parent) share that as well.

2. Tell the kids about Camp Sunday

"Today is Camp Sunday, which means we get to talk about camp!" "What is your favorite thing to do in the summer?"

(Wait for kids to share things like swimming, boating, camping, playing with friends, treats, games, etc.) "Well, there is a place where you can do all of these... it's at camp!" "Who has been to camp before?" "What are your favorite things about camp?"

3. Share why camp is important to you and acknowledge that many sitting here today have special camp memories

"I've always enjoyed camp because..."
I can't wait to get back to camp because..."

"One of the most important things I learned at camp was..."

4. Pass out a Camp Brochure

There are camps for campers of all ages to explore: 3 in Minnesota and 3 in the Dakotas. Check out the fun pictures and activities shown in the brochure. "Do you know any of the campers - that smiling face may be yours in the brochure next year! ...Show your parents the brochure!"

5. All Ages Welcome

There are great camps & retreats for all age levels; pre-k to high school and family & grandparents camps. Camp also loves the wonderful volunteers who help each week!

6. Camp Theme Options

There is a big variety of specialty camps that have a unique focus. Examples are water sports, horseback riding, music, drama, fishing, archery, leadership, canoe and paddle boarding, relaxation, and hiking, to name just a few!

Highlight the camps your church may be going to as a group and share that ALL camps include swimming, crafts, great food and s'mores, Bible study, campfires, music, games, and outdoor adventures.

7. Funding Available

Some congregations share in the cost of camp for their campers. The Central Camping office has camperships available if additional funding is needed. Please discuss financial details & camp fee offering with your pastor/leaders in advance.

8. Register (As Group or w/Parents)

Register online today.

Meet & have fun
with kids from other
areas!
God is always with
you and loves you!

