



Dear Friends of Lutherhill:

Well, we said 'Go in Peace', and you all replied, 'Thanks be to God. And we will!' But we could not imagine how long we'd be separated from gathering in community. Lutherhill and Zion Retreat Center are simply not the same without the happy campers gathering around campfire community and holy spaces. We miss you.

To honor the advice of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), American Camp Association (ACA) and local health officials, we have made some tough decisions about how to continue the ministry faithfully in light of COVID-19.

Retreats

At this time, we are suspending all retreat operations at Lutherhill in La Grange and Zion Retreat Center in Galveston until **April 30th**. This includes retreats for rental groups and program retreats (Explore and Spring Family Retreat). This decision, while not easy, was made in the best interest of our campers, retreat guests and staff.

Summer Camp

We remain optimistic that we will be able to hold camp this summer at Lutherhill and Zion. We continue to prepare for the BEST.SUMMER.EVER! To support this, we have **extended our Spring Early Bird registration payment to May 15th**. There will be no price increase for campers. We hope this extension will provide a little relief for your family.

Events

Our outdoor camping ministry relies on our donor's generosity and we are so grateful for each one of you for your continued support during these times of uncertainty. The 19th Annual Lutherhill Ministries Golf Tournament (originally scheduled for this month) is postponed to **Friday, October 23rd** and will still be held at the Golf Club at Cinco Ranch. Also, please save the date for the S'mores & Champagne Gala to be held on **Saturday, September 12th** at The Woodlands Waterway Marriott.

We will continue to keep you updated as new information becomes available. If you have questions please email me at matt@lutherhill.org or call me at our office at 979-249-3232.

Grace and peace to you and your family as we navigate these uncertain times. And we hope to see you soon at camp!

Peace,

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