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God of Wonders!

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"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made...." Romans 1:20

Why have a camping ministry? Because camping is one way to re-connect with the power, majesty, and glory of the Creator. When you immerse yourself into the details of creation itself, the things God has made, you cannot help but be overcome with awe and wonder. Spending time outside among the trees, plants, sand, sky, lakes and critters means you are reminded that you are extremely small. You are confronted by God's bigness. And yet, as big as God is, and as small as you are, God knows you by name. Mind blown! God made you and knows you.

At Camp Tamarack we are reminded daily that everything that lives and moves and has its being only does so because God wills it to be so. Even as you watch the fish swim around the campers, you are reminded that you are part of an intricate tapestry of life.

Camp Tamarack is a place for campers and retreaters of all ages and abilities to experience God in creation. It gives us a chance to slow down and really look around – all is not as it seems. If you take the time to stop and look – really look with a microscope – at that grain of sand, for example, you will find that it is a shell for an extremely small mussel. Mind blown! Yes. God made that, too.

The Apostle Paul said that God has made himself known through his creation. There is no better place to be guided in observing this than at Camp Tamarack. Consider coming up for retreat or bringing a group from church... **Come and see!**

Calling all Volunteers...Spring Into Camp Thurs-Sun, May 14-17, 2020

Every spring, Camp Tamarack needs volunteers to help get it into shape for the camping season. Cleaning cabins, clearing trails and/or stocking firewood, sorting craft materials—we need you! There is something for every age and ability to do.

Contact Kim at 715-281-7816 or kim.drost@abcofwi.org for full details.

20-20 Pray ABC Wisconsin

On the **20th of each month** in the year 2020, **spend 20 minutes in prayer** for ABC Wisconsin. We pray that this intentional focus through prayer will be a blessing to you. Visit abcofwi.org for a running list of specific prayer requests.



2020 Summer @ Camp Tamarack

SAVE THE DATES!

Su-Sa June 14-20 Sr. High (9th-12th)

Su-W June 21-24 Primary (1st-2nd)

Su-Sa June 21-27 Middler (3rd-4th)

Su-Sa June 28- July 4 Junior (5th-6th)

Su-Sa June 28-July 4 Jr High (7th-8th)

[Based on grades completed in Sp'20]

Su-W July 5-8 Grandily – Grandparents and Family Camp (All ages!)

Su-Sa July 5-11 All Inclusive – No set program is planned; a great time of intergenerational fellowship!

Su-Sa July 12-18 Hispanic Camp



Updates will be posted at camptamarack.org

Our sympathies go to the family and congregation of **Gene Bell**, the founding pastor of Church of the Living Water of Beloit, WI, who passed away on December 27, 2019.



America For Christ Offering

This annual special offering (collected thru March) impacts and transforms lives across America & Puerto Rico thru the efforts of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies and ABC/WI. Visit www.abhms.org/afc for more info.

America for CHRIST OFFERING 2020

"You shall LOVE your NEIGHBOR as YOURSELF."

MATTHEW 22:39



EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP...

Deadline March 31, 2020

If you are a woman attending a college, university or seminary, you can apply for a \$300 scholarship from the American Baptist Women's Ministries of WI. For more info... www.abcofwi.org/partners/abwm/

Upcoming fellowship and training events for all:

- ◇ ***AB Men's Annual Retreat** in Waupaca, WI - **Fri-Sat June 7-8**—with guest speaker, Pastor Max Ramsey, Brookfield, Immanuel Church.
- ◇ ***AB Women's Annual Retreat** in Waupaca, WI - **Fri-Sun June 12-14**—“Stronger Together!” *with guest speaker*, Robyn Dykstra. Go online to www.abcofwi.org/partners/abwm/ for full details.
- ◇ **Radical. Redeemed. Ready. Celebrating Ministering Women** at Green, WI Tues-Fri: June 16-19, 2020. All are invited to this historic national American Baptist event. Register now by going to: RadicalRedeemedReady.com
- ◇ **Space For Grace 2020:** a national conference “Testify!” Save the date: M-F, Sept. 21-25, 2020 Kansas City, MO. Go to www.abhms.org for more info.
- ◇ **ABC/WI 176th Annual Gathering Honey Creek, WI Fri-Sat 10/9-10—All ABC/WI Churches are expected to be represented.**

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