



TOUCHSTONE

Providing Christian hospitality, camping, and retreat programs to serve, nurture, and equip the people of God for God's work in the world.

April-May 2007

Grace Camp moving to July

We are excited about a new schedule for Grace Camp. Unlike last summer, this year we have moved Grace camp to July 23-28 to take place after summer school is over, and it begins on a Monday to make it more convenient for social workers to bring the children to camp. As a camp that charges no fees to the children or their families, this camp has a wonderful history of support from our diocese.

Please prayerfully consider supporting this camp by recommending it to a camper with a family member who is incarcerated, and by making a monetary contribution.

Prayer Needs

- Recruitment of counselors, nurses, and deans who love Jesus, children, and youth
- A scholarship for every child who needs it
- Preparing the camp for summer, including the pool and renovation of the laundry facilities
- Camps filled to the brim with children of God

Grown-ups Come to Stoney Too

Summer camp isn't just for kids. We have events scheduled for grow-ups and families.

Labyrinth Camp is a working camp led by Griffon Campbell of Silver City. After a study of the Christian tradition of the labyrinth, the group will build one for use in the years to come.

Katrine Stewart will be returning to lead a women's retreat the weekend of August 10-12 on **Living in the Present Despite Transition and Uncertainty**.

On August 17-19, we welcome the Rev. Ray Simpson, Anglican priest, Guardian of the Community of Aidan and Hilda, and resident of Lindisfarne to lead a retreat entitled: **Celtic Spirituality for 21st century Christians**. More information about either of these, including registration forms go to our website or call your parish office.

Both Family Camp and Alumni Family Camp are open to all parents who want enjoy the wonders of camp with their children. **Camp Stoney is for everyone!**

Summer: Get ready, Set, GO

Camp is just four weeks away, and we already have 85 registrations as of May 12th. Not surprisingly, Sr. High and Jr. High Adventure Camps are filling up fast. JHA has 14 registered, and there is only room for 34. We will consider adding another session if necessary, but it would help us if we knew how many want to attend as soon as possible. Hurry and get your child signed up. Download the forms from our website or save a tree and register on line.

Summer at a Glance

May 25-28	Labyrinth Camp*—NEW
June 1-3	Family Camp
June 3-9	Sr. High Adventure
June 4-8	Day Camp
June 10-16	Narnia Camp
June 17-23	Outdoor Adventure Camp—NEW
June 24-30	Summer Fun Camp
July 1-7	Jr. High Adventure
July 1-7	Harry Potter Camp
July 7-10	Alumni Family Camp—NEW
July 15-22	Lord of the Rings Camp—NEW
July 22-28	Puppet Ministry Camp—NEW
July 23-28	Grace Camp
August 10-12	Women's Retreat
August 17-19	Celtic Christian Retreat*—NEW

*Indicates adult offering

Registration: Forms are available online at www.campstoney.org or at your local Episcopal Church office. A non-refundable registration fee of \$75 must be submitted for every camp attended. Each camp has limited space and we advise submitting your registration early. All campers must return a medical form and a general consent form to the camp office prior to arrival. Adventure campers need additional forms for rafting and rock climbing.

Pantry Kitchen ready

The "pantry kitchen" that will allow our guests to warm up their own meals is ready. We discovered the need when youth groups wanting to keep costs down desired to cook for themselves. Due to health and safety considerations we are not permitted to have non-employees use our industrial kitchen. Thanks to Mary Harrell of Deming who donated the stove, we are ready to go. We hope every diocesan youth group will take advantage of this new amenity.