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CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

Dear Confirmation Group Leader,

Here is some information about the Confirmation Camp to be held at Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center. The theme is "Are You Ready to Embrace Your Faith?" We will explore how we are all one body of Christ and learn about the importance of prayer, presence, gifts, witness, and service. We will also teach about the structure of the United Methodist Church and connectionalism through discussion and hands-on activities. The following documents will be available for you on our website.

- We have prepared a student letter for you to give to your youth telling them about the program and what to bring. Please photocopy and distribute this to all youth.
- A Retreat Camper Health/Permission Form is also enclosed for you to photocopy and give to each youth and adult. Please be sure everyone brings this completed form to registration on Friday evening. Youth must have the form signed by a parent or legal guardian.
- We require that the Pastor or another responsible adult attend with each church group. You must have one adult for every eight campers for the entire weekend. Please bring both male and female adults if you have male and female campers. We rely on the adults to supervise the youth at all times, including in cabins, during meals and to carry out the programs planned for the youth. A brief orientation session will be held before bedtime on Friday night. We will do some discussion and planning in church groups on Sunday morning, so it is important to have adults from your church that can attend the entire weekend.
- A Counselor Handbook is included in this packet. Please give one to each of your adult chaperones. Please tell them that it is very important to read the manual so they can mentally prepare for the weekend. This is a great opportunity to plant the seed of Christianity and faith and we greatly appreciate your volunteerism.

If you have any other questions about billing, the schedule, or anything else, please call the camp office at 717-273-6525. We look forward to working with you!

With Joy and Thanksgiving,

The Staff of Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center

Please print out:

- **Student letter**—one copy to be photocopied.
- Retreat Camper Health/Permission Form—one copy to be photocopied for all adults and youth.
- **Authorization for Medication Administration form**—one copy to be photocopied. Must be filled out by anyone receiving medication.
- Counselor Handbook—one copy for each adult.