

COVENANT POINT

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Sending your child to camp is a significant decision – one that requires trust, clear information, and financial commitment. Our desire is that you would feel comfortable with each of those steps, so that your camper can experience a transformative week at Covenant Point this summer!

Trust. Covenant Point is fully accredited by the American Camp Association – a continuous process that includes 300 rigorous standards for health, safety, and program quality. Our carefully chosen staff is equipped with two weeks of training in child development, risk management, first-aid/CPR, programming, and spiritual formation. They're here to serve as caring role models, to bring passion and fun to each day of camp, and to make Christ real to our campers through personal and trustworthy attention. A volunteer nurse or physician is always onsite, and our kitchen staff is ready to manage dietary allergies and restrictions safely.

Clear information. This brochure, paired with Covenant Point's website (www.cpbcc.com), are your best resources for logistical details, videos that show what camp is like, and our programming philosophy. We are also just a phone call or email away, and ready to field any questions you may have about camp.

Financial commitment. It is our commitment that finances should never be the reason a child does not come to Covenant Point – a week at camp is just too important to allow money to be the only obstacle. If you are in need of assistance, contact us and we will be ready to help. If you can help, our scholarship fund is a meaningful way to offer a life-changing gift to another child.

Blessings,
Rev. Erik Strom, Executive Director



CORE VALUES



FIRSTHAND EXPERIENCE: Whether it's watching a shooting star, climbing to the top of our ropes course, or learning how to pray for the first time, we're all about experiential learning for transformation.



STILLNESS AND SILLINESS: Our programming moves comfortably back and forth between playfulness and quiet reflection, because we recognize the vital importance of both in the lives of children and adults alike.



DEEP DISCIPLESHIP: Our staff models and teaches that Christian faith encompasses our head, heart, and hands. Our core messages grow in depth of content and opportunities to respond in next steps of faith, as campers progress in our programs.



SPACE TO LEAD: We see ourselves as a place of practical leadership development. We offer campers growing opportunities to explore gifts, grow in relationships, serve, and step out in leadership, within the bounds of a safe and supportive community.



PASSION FOR WILDERNESS AND ADVENTURE: Imagination, child-like faith, and healthy human development are all often ignited by time spent in wild places. We value our unique section of God's creation and consider it a privilege to bring others further into it to discover more of themselves and God.



EXCELLENT CARE: We strive to love and steward with excellence everything and everyone that God has given us – and teach others to do the same. We care for our campers by providing a well-trained and supervised staff, nutritious and homemade food, and well-maintained facilities.



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Based on grade camper is entering



2-DAY INTRO • 4-DAY INTRO • TRAILBLAZER

2-Day Intro 2/3 July 5-7 \$130

4-Day Intro 3/4 July 7-11 \$225

Trailblazer 3/4/5 July 5-11 \$385



An introductory 2 or 4 day program is perfect for first time campers to experience a snapshot of camp. Trailblazer camp is a step up to a full week experience. All three camps give campers an introduction to core activities like chapel, waterfront, big group games, skill areas, and cabin group devotions.



Kids get to be kids! Our counselors ignite young imaginations with fun and interactive songs, memorable skits, and crazy games, while also modeling and teaching how to be still before God each day.



Faith foundations grow through Bible stories, interactive & engaging songs, counselor-led devotions and prayer, and quiet times.



Programmed to maximize time outside: swim and kayak, run and play, experience outdoor activity rotations.



Campers gain independence by maintaining living space and choosing free time activities.



Small cabin groups and personal attention from our staff help campers feel safe and ready to navigate their first week of camp.

*"It's a great place to
worship God!"*







WILDERNESS

4/5/6

June 14-20

\$400



Campers will experience exploration and love of God's creation.



All the fun and excitement of mainland camp plus unique nature adventure and quiet peaceful moments in the outdoors.



Through hands-on experiences, chapels, camp songs, and small group community, kids can connect with God's creation.



Campers embark on canoe, bog, and night hike excursions, dissect owl pellets, sleep out in a tree house or a yurt, and discover the forest floor and lake teeming with life.



Campers choose from many options of skills, adventures, and activities based on personal interests.



Camp community helps campers know they are cared for and welcomed.

"I have been learning to really live for God, shine his light onto others, and do everything in the Lord's name."







JUNIOR HIGH

6/7/8

July 12-18

\$425



Campers participate in unique activities like exploring a sunken ship, riding the water torpedo, and enjoying night activities all catered to middle school age.



From painting and throwing counselors in the lake, spending time with peers, and having quiet moments with God, this camp has a mix of fun and quiet.



Campers hear daily messages in chapel, engage in hot topic discussions, and work with counselors to discover how God's story connects with their own.



Opportunities for outdoor adventure abound: sailing, kayaking, sliding on the Summit, island excursion.



Leadership, confidence, and trust develop as campers are given new opportunities to challenge themselves through low and high ropes courses.



Staff, who are trained to understand spiritual and social needs of adolescence, seek to offer one-to-one times, and structured and unstructured activities that encourage long-term peer friendships.

"It was the best experience.
Everyone was trying new things
and it was so much fun."







SENIOR HIGH

9/10/11/12 June 28-July 4 \$450



Senior High campers experience the peak of our programming options, with an array of high-level skill areas and seminars, excursions, and relationship-building activities.



The week is infused with playfulness that encourages young adult campers to be themselves, and stillness that helps them hear God's call in their lives.



Through small-group seminars, one-on-one conversations with counselors, and opportunities to learn spiritual disciplines, campers are equipped to participate in God's mission.



From off-site excursions and water sports, to Point-a-Palooza and bonfires, senior high campers enjoy our largest array of opportunities.



An optional service project and peer leadership moments during the week encourage campers to share their gifts with the community.



The staff is trained to model and help campers with matters of faith and tough questions in a safe and caring environment.

"He showed me that his plan might not always be what I expect, but it's better."







8/9	June 21-27	\$400
7/8	July 5-11	\$400
6/7	July 12-18	\$400
8/9	July 26-Aug. 1	\$400
7/8	Aug. 2-8	\$400



The Island creates unique experiences that value deep relationships over technology, community over individuality, and imagination over entertainment.



Creativity, craziness, and camaraderie are mixed with times of solitude in creation.



Life in Christ is lived out in community through campfire worship, personal quiet time and journals, and counselor-led devotions.



Islanders live the wilderness adventure with high and low rope courses, Mountain Dew and Tarzan Swings, and the zip-line.



Campers practice servant leadership by working together in team building activities and meal preparation and clean-up.



Island staff create experiences that encourage healthy relational connections, along with meaningful play and free time.

"I experienced God through the beauty of the island and the words of the counselors."







Canoe 6/7/8: Flambeau River	June 28-July 4	\$400
Backpack 7/8/9: Porcupine Mt.	June 14-20	\$400
Backpack 8/9/10: Pictured Rocks	July 12-18	\$400
Backpack Expedition 10/11/12: Isle Royale	July 19-Aug. 1	\$840
AIL (Adventures In Leadership)	June 21-27	
Venture Out Women: Pictured Rocks	Aug. 3-6	\$290

Canoe 6/7/8: Flambeau River

Join deer, splashing muskies, soaring eagles, and a group of excited trippers while journeying 40 miles down Northern Wisconsin's Flambeau River. Each day we will canoe, carrying all our own gear, an average of ten miles downstream through both flatwater and a variety of rapids. Learn to read the river, maneuver a canoe through a variety of water types, portage around larger rapids, set up a tent for yourself, cook delicious meals over a campfire or stove, and grow as a community. Trippers will sleep in tents, enjoy devotional times and laughter around a campfire, and spend quiet times with the Creator. Rustic campsites are directly along the river, allowing evening dips or fishing from shore. This is a great first wilderness trip.

Backpack 7/8/9: Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park

The Porkies' backpacking trip is an exciting challenge (3-5 miles per day) for both first-time backpackers and returners. All gear is carried in backpacks from campsite to campsite as we explore the forests, ridges, lakeshore, and waterfalls of the Porcupine Mountains. We'll spend our nights cooking our dinner over stoves or fire, having devotional times around a campfire, and sleeping in tents at rustic remote campsites. Learn to pack a backpack, set up a campsite, cook with a camp stove or fire, read a map, and more. A great introduction to wilderness backpacking. Come be challenged and see the beauty of God's creation.





Backpack 8/9/10:

Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore

The Pictured Rocks trip covers a lot of ground backpacking (4-8 miles per day) along one of the most picturesque stretches of Lake Superior's shore. Learn and practice wilderness camping skills while allowing yourself to experience the wonder of Lake Superior, the beauty of the Pictured Rocks cliffs, the history of this magnificent shoreline, and the close community of a small group of trippers. While this trip is physically demanding, it is certainly manageable for the open-minded and enthusiastic beginner. Our experienced trip guides are well-prepared and excited to share this trip with you in this magnificent piece of God's creation.



Backpack Expedition 10/11/12:

Isle Royale National Park

After spending a day in preparation, traveling by van, camping along the way, crossing Lake Superior by ferry, hiking seven to eight days (6-10 miles per day), sharing faith journeys, and growing deeper in faith, this group of trippers will share a bond that is truly unique. Learn and master camping skills together, filter cold drinking water from Lake Superior, cook delicious meals on a camp stove, master campsite set up and map reading, and learn the natural history of Lake Superior and Isle Royale. The trip is physically rigorous, but certainly accessible to those who are ready for a challenge, as participants carry significant loads while traversing a rugged, wild landscape. Exploring this wilderness island of moose and wolves as a group is well worth it. This 2-week trip rotates location each summer, allowing participants to always have a new wilderness to explore.



AIL (Adventures In Leadership) 10/11/12: Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore

Adventures in Leadership is a small-group, wilderness, leadership and discipleship training experience designed for senior high students in Covenant Churches. Created to equip students with a Christian leadership framework to assist them in discovering and developing their own leadership style consistent with their God-given abilities and gifts, AIL is led collaboratively by Covenant Point trip guides and Central Conference Covenant youth leaders. AIL includes one full day at camp, 3 ½ days backpacking Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore (hiking 4-8 miles per day), and a half day of guided sea kayaking on Lake Superior. Days on trail are spent hiking from campsite to campsite with all gear on our backs, learning wilderness skills, preparing meals together, setting up camp, sleeping in tents, and sharing devotional times around a campfire. Each student is assigned as group leader for a portion of time, in which they help in meal prep, trail decisions, and lead a short devotional word for the group. Though physically demanding, this trip is certainly manageable for the open-minded and enthusiastic student. Contact Covenant Point or a Covenant Youth Pastor for more information and pricing. Funding for AIL is a joint partnership between students, their churches, and the Central Conference of the Evangelical Covenant Church. AIL applications will be taken on a first come, first served basis and should be received by April 15, 2015.

Venture Out Backpack & Kayak Trip Women: Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore

Join a group of adventurous women hiking along Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore (4-7 miles per day), and end the trip with a guided day of sea kayaking beneath spectacular cliffs. Each participant will carry a pack (approximately 30 pounds), help set up camp each night, enjoy meals cooked over a camp stove or fire, and participate in daily devotional times while viewing the Lake Superior sunset or enjoying an evening campfire. Lots of chatter, laughter, sharing, and adventure awaits those who register.

"He showed me how to really let him take the lead, how to be more laid back and trusting with him."





ASD Family Camp

August 4-8

\$150

ASD Family Camp is a five-day, Christian family-camp experience at Covenant Point, designed to build community and support among families who have children with autism. The program values flexibility around the needs of individuals, intergenerational experiences, meaningful connection among all participants, and spiritual formation. Covenant Point provides delicious meals enjoyed together, all-family games, age-appropriate activities and worship, engaging Bible-studies, and exposure to the beauty of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Your family will rest and play together in a safe and encouraging environment, while growing close to each other and God.





Family I - June 21-27
Family II - July 19-25
Family III - July 26-Aug. 1

MAX/FAMILY	MIN/FAMILY	ADULTS	9-17 YRS	3-8 YRS	UNDER 3
\$1600	\$600	\$370	\$310	\$180	\$60



Families are invited to slow down, connect anew with each other and other families, and become re-rooted in God's vision for family.



The program provides time to experience fun activities as a family. Staff-led events allow kids to be cared for, giving space for adults to just "be".



Intergenerational worship, adult discussion times, and age-group devotions, with opportunity to be prayed for by our staff promote growth in Christ.



Adventure awaits families by exploring the island, camping out in a yurt, or choosing an offsite excursion.



Campers have opportunities to lead group devotions, share testimonies, and serve in optional work projects.



Come and be cared for! Our staff wants to learn about your family's needs and how to serve you well.

"Super opportunity to be in community with other believers in a safe beautiful environment."







Session 1	June 7-July 4	4 week
Session 2	July 5-July 18	2 week
Session 3	July 19-Aug. 8	3 week

High school students ready for an experience of hard work, community, and youth ministry training at camp are encouraged to apply to serve on one of our summer work crews. Grounds and kitchen positions are available and fill quickly, on a rolling basis. All high school applicants will be considered, but preference in hiring is given to those 16 and older. Apply early!



Fundraiser Aug. 2

This exciting yearly event raises vital resources for enabling ministries at Covenant Point, including funding our Autism Spectrum Disorder Family Camp. Challenge yourself or your team to a half-mile swim, a 25 mile bike ride, and a 6.2 mile run in the beautiful surroundings of the Upper Peninsula. Non-competitors enjoy the weekend cheering on the athletes and enjoying great meals and great people at CPBC. Visit our website at www.cpbc.com/downloads/triathlon/ for more information.



Visit our website (www.cpbcc.com/retreats) to learn more about Covenant Point's year-round programs.

CHRISTMAS CAMP:

December 27-January 1

The perfect place to continue the Christmas season with community! Good food, worship, & lots of winter fun.

ONELIFE RETREATS:

Our can't-miss youth winter retreats that focus on living in Christ with integrity. Register early!

- January 16-19 (9th-12th graders)
- February 13-16 (9th-12th graders)
- February 20-23 (6th-12th graders)*

**This retreat is open to Junior AND Senior high students.*

MEN'S RETREAT:

February 27-March 1

Gather with the guys for honest conversation, worship, steak, broomball, and many laughs!

VOLUNTEER WORK DAY

September 12

A day of work projects, good food, and friendships. Organize a group from your church!

SILENT RETREAT

September 18-20

Enjoy a guided weekend of silence, spiritual renewal, rest, and listening to the voice of God.

WOMEN'S RETREAT:

September 25-27

Peak fall colors, excellent meals, and spiritual renewal among friends.

JUNIOR HIGH RETREAT:

October 9-12

A relationship-focused retreat with games, worship, ropes courses, and rest.

QUILTING RETREAT:

October 15-18

You bring your quilting projects, and we'll supply the hospitality and beautiful surroundings.



TRAILBLAZER OVERNIGHT:

October 24-25

An action-packed, formational 24 hours of friends, spiritual growth, and lots of fun for 3rd-5th graders.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Payment: Camps fill on a first come, first served basis. Spots will be held only with a completed registration form, including valid payment – received online, by fax or mail. Register online at <http://cpbc.campbrainregistration.com> and pay in full with a credit card, or send your registration form to:

Covenant Point Bible Camp,
358 W. Hagerman Lake Road,
Iron River, MI 49935 or Fax it to
906.265.5123

Deposit or full payment assures a place at the desired camp week. We accept VISA or MasterCard. Credit card payments must be for the full amount and included with your registration. Sorry, we cannot accept debit cards.

Financial aid is available for those in need. Call 906.265.2117 to request an application or speak with a registrar.

Camp Arrival and Departure:

Registration begins at 4 pm CDT the first day; camp ends at 9 am CDT the last day. Visit www.cpbc.com/summer2015 or call 906.265.2117 with questions.

Youth Camp Discounts

- 1. Early Registration:** Save \$35 off any camp when you register and pay in full by March 15th.

Your registration form and payment must be postmarked or submitted online by March 15th – no exceptions.

- 2. Family:** Save \$35 for each child from the same household attending camp.

-OR-

Bring-a-Friend: Bring a friend who has never been to Covenant Point summer camp and you each will save \$50. You must both attend the same week of camp and your registration forms and payments must be received in the same envelope or register online the same day. Not applicable for 2 or 4 day camps.

- 3. Second Week of Camp:** Come to a second week of camp and receive a discount of \$100. Not applicable for 2 or 4 day camps.

Cancellation Policy

If you must cancel, registering parent or guardian must call or email as soon as possible. Refunds are given based on when notice of cancellation is received:

- More than 30 days before the first day of camp = 100% refund, minus non-refundable deposits
- 7 to 30 days before the first day of camp = 50% refund, minus non-refundable deposits
- Less than 7 days before the first day of camp = no refunds

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Covenant Point Bible Camp



Covenant Point Bible Camp
358 W. Hagerman Lake Rd.
Iron River, MI 49935

Non-refundable deposits are as follows:

- \$75 for 2-day, 4-day or full week youth camps
- \$150 for two-week youth camps
- \$250 for family camps
- \$150 for ASD family camp
- \$25 for bus

Medical cancellations – if doctor's verification is provided prior to the start of camp, full refund will result minus a \$25 processing fee.

Cancellations (except for medical reasons) involving the Bring-a-Friend discount will cause the friend to lose that discount.

Dietary Needs: Our head cook works with each individual camper who has dietary restrictions. Food allergies, restrictions, and preferences (ie. vegetarian) are handled with industry standard food safety procedures for preparation and serving. Both the online and paper registration forms require an explanation of dietary needs, treatment plan in the event of a reaction, and permission to share allergy-related information with appropriate staff. To speak with our head cook, contact our office at 906.265.2117 or email cpbc@cpbc.com.

BUS TRANSPORTATION

A comfortable, air-conditioned chartered coach bus (with bathroom) travels to and from Covenant Point for each 6-night camp. A minibuss or van may be used for trips that do not meet bus minimums or that exceed bus maximums. Campers are greeted and accompanied by two Covenant Point staff members, who provide interaction, supervision, and direction to campers for the duration of the ride. During the trip, the bus makes one lunch stop, supervised by Covenant Point staff. On the return trip, campers are released one-by-one by Covenant Point staff to their pre-authorized parent or guardian to ensure camper safety.

Schedule

(All listed times are approximate.)

- **Chicago, IL** – Northbound Sunday, 8am / Southbound Saturday, 6pm
- **Elgin, IL** – Northbound Sunday, 9am / Southbound Saturday, 4:45pm
- **Rockford, IL** – Northbound Sunday, 10am / Southbound Saturday, 4pm
- **Madison, WI** – Northbound Sunday, 11:30am / Southbound Saturday, 2:30 pm

Fees

Bus fee is \$129 round trip or \$95 one-way. The fee includes a \$25 non-refundable deposit. Bus space is limited and may not be available on short notice. Campers should register for bus at least 14 days before their camp begins in order to secure a spot. For additional details visit www.cpbcc.com/bus.

MAINLAND

2-Day Intro ^{2/3}

July 5-7

4-Day Intro ^{3/4}

July 7-11

Trailblazer ^{3/4/5}

July 5-11

Wilderness ^{4/5/6}

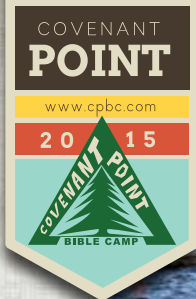
June 14-20

Junior High ⁶⁻⁸

July 12-18

Senior High ⁹⁻¹²

June 28- July 4



ISLAND

June 21-27 ^{8/9}

July 5-11 ^{7/8}

July 12-18 ^{6/7}

July 26-Aug. 1 ^{8/9}

Aug. 2-8 ^{7/8}



TRIPS

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July 19-Aug. 1

Backpack & Kayak: Venture Out ^{Women}

Aug. 3-6



FAMILY

Family Camp I

June 21-27

Family Camp II

July 19-25

Family Camp III

July 26-Aug. 1

ASD Family Camp

Aug. 4-8

Triathlon

Aug. 2

