

CAMP & RETREAT MINISTRY

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2021

WE JOYFULLY ENTER A NEW YEAR

In March of 2020, we announced the need to raise \$100,000 in order to sustain the Camp and Retreat Ministry during the COVID-19 pandemic. We asked you to financially support this Campaign so that these sacred spaces could weather this storm. **We are overjoyed and deeply humbled to announce that the Camp Comeback Campaign goal has been met! YOU did this!** We celebrate the ways in which you've given:

- **471 gifts were given in 2020** compared to 45 gifts in 2019.
- **\$111,395 was raised for the Camp Comeback Campaign**
- **\$38,063 was raised in annual giving** which goes to support projects happening at your camp and retreat centers.
- **A grand total of \$149,458 was raised for Camp and Retreat Ministry in 2020!**

ONWARD INTO 2021!

As we start this year full of gratitude because of your support, we know financial needs will remain for 2021. We know families will need extra financial support getting to camp this year. We know our camp centers will need to purchase more items than usual in order to keep our campers, volunteers, and staff safe this summer at camp. The ask for financial support continues. **Because of your generosity we are confident as we enter this new year, and we are excited to launch the 2021 Camp Comeback Campaign within the first few months of the new year.**

SUMMER CAMP 2021!

We are thrilled to actively be planning our summer camping season! As you might imagine, camp will look different this year as we accommodate extra health and safety measures. As new COVID-19 information for group gathering guidelines emerge, we will adapt! **With this in mind, you may notice that we are operating under a new summer camp information distribution schedule.** The summer Save the Date Schedules will be posted online in mid-January. We strive for our Summer Camp Brochure and Registration online and open by mid-February, with physical copies available soon after. If you have any questions about our summer camping season, please contact us at camps@susumc.org. **We can't wait to see you at camp in 2021!**

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