



# *camp sj*

*In a time of remaining flexible and keeping safety at the forefront of our minds, an awesome opportunity is being planned as a way for the Elim youth to reconnect after a weird, long year - This summer Elim is heading to Camp SJ!*

## *what is camp sj?*

Camp SJ will be held at Camp Vermilion and is open to youth currently completing grades 8-12. This unique camp opportunity allows our youth and adult leaders to be together, laughing, playing, and worshipping while tending to their mental wellbeing and building relationships.

The daily schedule also has time for all the camp favorites- group builders, games, campfires, waterfront, free time for play, worship, great camp meals and more. Campers will spend their days exploring the hill, forests, lakeshore, and cold, clear water of Lake Vermilion while connecting with one another and God in this unique part of creation.

With Covid-19 policies in place, each congregation will be housed individually in summer cabins (separate cabins for each gender) and will spend their day as a congregational "bubble" small group. Each congregational small group will eat at assigned table(s) and will participate in camp life as a small group "bubble" keeping physically distant from other congregations. For additional VLM/Camp Vermilion Summer Covid-19 policies, visit [www.vlmcamps.org/covid-safety](http://www.vlmcamps.org/covid-safety)

### **OPTIONS TO PARTICIPATE:**

There are 3 different ways we can participate in Camp SJ - the "base" camp or one of two add-ons. At our Information Meeting on February 28 we will talk about what the group would like to do.

#### **JUNE 27-29 BASE CAMP SJ:**

**Option #1: Camp SJ (\$100/person)**

#### **JUNE 29-JULY 2 EXTENDED STAY OPTIONS:**

**Option #2: Keep on Campin' (\$100 Camp SJ + \$225 Extra Camp = \$325)**

Even though Camp SJ is over, the good times keep rolling. VLM staff will join cabin/church groups who want to continue their week at Camp Vermilion. Starting on Tuesday, these campers will connect with camp life and participate in all the usual camp activities- time on the waterfront, games on the ballfield, singing at campfire, meals on the deck of Voyageur Lodge, small group Bible Studies and conversation, and teambuilding. Camp will run through noon on Friday.

**Option #3: 3 day/2 night BWCA Trip (\$100 Camp SJ + \$350 Canoe Trip = \$450)**

Once Camp SJ is done, your group will begin orientation for a quick trip into the BWCA. On site orientation at Camp Vermilion includes basic canoeing instruction (portaging, paddling, and gear practice), route planning, and instructions on how to pack for the trip. After a good night's sleep and an early breakfast in camp Wednesday morning, it is off to the entry point where the adventure continues. Groups will come out of the BWCA after 12 noon on Friday and return to Camp Vermilion for a sauna, a shower and then head for home. Groups will be provided with all the gear and food needed along with a VLM trained wilderness guide.

## *important dates*

### **INFORMATIONAL MEETING:**

**Sunday, February 28 at 11:30 on Zoom**

[www.zoom.us/join](http://www.zoom.us/join)

Meeting ID: 84516555510

### **REGISTER BY: March 14**

\$50 deposit, scholarships available.

(If you registered for last year's mission trip and did not ask for your deposit back, talk to Deb)

*Registrations after March 14 will only be accepted if they fit into the housing arrangements Elim has with camp*