

## Camp & Retreat Ministry Sunday

*“The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, ‘Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.’ For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves.”* Mark 6:30-32



The outdoor ministry and retreat sites of the NEUMC serve thousands of United Methodists and guests every year. We are partners in growing the church and enriching the faith walk of all who participate in these ministries. Many clergy and lay leaders realize their call at our sites, while many youth find a place where they are safe and feel God’s endless love.

Today we are asking that you support these ministries through your congregation, community and self. There are many ways to support your camping and retreat ministry sites. Help us continue this strong and important tradition in our faith.

### **Ideas for promoting camps and retreats in your church:**

- ◆ Show camp promotional video
- ◆ Hand-out camp brochures
- ◆ Invite speaker
- ◆ Have Special "Camp Night"
- ◆ Take a field trip to Camp
- ◆ Ask for Camp Hand-outs
- ◆ Host a camp open house

### **Utilize the resources Camps & Retreat Sites offer:**

- ◆ Hold a retreat (youth/adults/family)
- ◆ Have a church picnic
- ◆ Pastoral renewal time
- ◆ Attend confirmation camps
- ◆ Utilize gifts of staff to hold trainings or workshops
- ◆ Build community...ask us how!

### **Ways to support camps & retreat sites today & for the future:**

- ◆ Pray for outdoor ministry
- ◆ Donate to Endowment funds
- ◆ Donate to Campership funds
- ◆ Hold a fundraiser
- ◆ Remember your site in your planned giving
- ◆ Coordinate a volunteer group
- ◆ Volunteer your talents
- ◆ Connect sites with people outside of your congregation
- ◆ Encourage leaders to work and volunteer at camp
- ◆ Support Clergy & Lay Leaders to attend camp
- ◆ Pray for outdoor ministry

## NEUMC Outdoor Ministry & Retreat Sites

### Camp Aldersgate

1043 Snake Hill Road  
North Scituate, RI 02857  
401-568-4350  
Email: [info@campaldersgate.com](mailto:info@campaldersgate.com)  
[www.campaldersgate.com](http://www.campaldersgate.com)



**Camp Aldersgate**  
A people place, your sacred space.

### Covenant Hills

246 Covenant Hills Road  
Cabot, Vermont 05647  
802-426-3340  
[www.covenanthillsvt.com](http://www.covenanthillsvt.com)



### Camp Mechuwana

PO Box 277  
Winthrop, ME 04364  
email: [mechuwana@fairpoint.net](mailto:mechuwana@fairpoint.net)  
207-377-2924  
[www.mechuwana.org](http://www.mechuwana.org)



### Rolling Ridge Retreat & Conference Center

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North Andover, MA 01845-2009  
email: [thestaff@rollingridge.org](mailto:thestaff@rollingridge.org)  
978-682-8815  
[www.rollingridge.org](http://www.rollingridge.org)



### Wanakee United Methodist Center

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