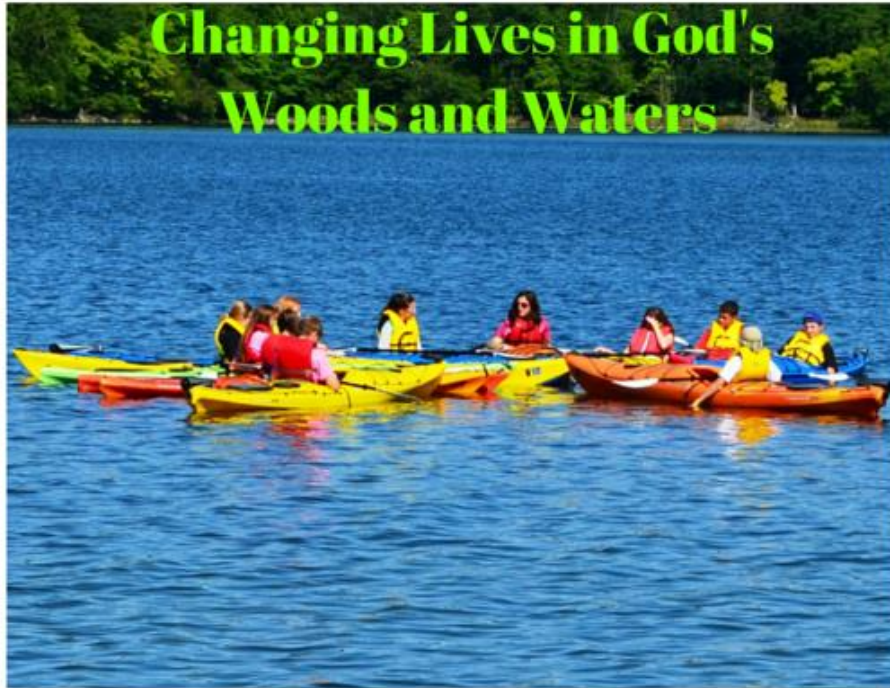


Presbyterian Clearwater Forest

2015 Annual Report



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Clearwater Forest's ministry continues to change lives!

We have been blessed with another fantastic year of life-changing experiences and opportunities for community, leadership, and personal growth. Thank you to all churches, donors, and retreat guests for being part of this vital ministry.

SUMMER PROGRAMMING

Our summer staff continue to be true servant leaders. We had an incredible group of young adults who gave it their all, contributed to the community, and shared their faith with the campers who attended last year. We saw a 10% increase in our campers! This year we gave Quest groups the opportunity to plan and lead worship. It was incredible to see how Clearwater shapes the camper's' faith life as we witnessed first hand their faith stories. Additionally, we saw an increase in our Camp in a Van program, which partnered with 17 congregations and Synod.



RETREAT PROGRAMMING

In addition to our Clearwater Forest retreat programs and partnerships (Chrysalis Women's Retreats and Creative Arts), we served over 100 retreat and guest groups this year. The Hermitage Spiritual Retreat Space is also seeing increased use with 15 clergy participating this past year.

Family Reunions



It is amazing to visit with family reunions who have been using Clearwater Forest for their annual gathering. Several of our families have spent part of each year for the past 30 years. Many of the reunions consist of three or four generations, however we had at least six reunions that included FIVE generations! Memories and renewed relationships happen here!

Grouse Circle/Loon Point Campgrounds

Our two popular campgrounds have been used more as well! We have incredible campsites available throughout the spring/summer and fall for quick get-a-ways, family gatherings and church camp retreats.



FACILITY / PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

We received over \$250,000 through generous grants from the Presbytery of Twin Cities Area, individuals and several congregations for designated gifts for facility and program enhancements. With

By the Numbers

Number of Campers Served (on site) 451
10% increase with 24 on-site programs

Number of Campers in Camp in a Van 520
(17 sites in 2015)

Number of Intergenerational Campers 167
(Grands & Family Camp)

Total campers 1,138

Number of Retreats 109
(Six Clearwater Retreats, 30 church groups, 21 family reunions, 30 outside groups, 12 Hermitage / Spirituality Retreats)

Total Number of Retreat Guests 3,635

Including friends and family who attended worship/opening/closing of camp and Friends and Family Day, we served well over 5,000 people!

Volunteer Work Groups

Number of week-long work groups 6
Number of work group members 154
Volunteer work hours (estimate) 3,200
Estimated value of volunteer work \$80,000

these funds, we were able to renovate Leaning Tree with new windows, Tyvek moisture barrier, repair water damage, install new siding; purchase new equipment; electrify the summer cabins; build a new maintenance building; purchase new mattresses for Osprey Cabin and four of the nine summer cabins; replace our pontoon boat and tractor; upgrade our website; improve our recreation equipment; and begin working on the next phase of Clearwater Forest's future with board



development work. We were blessed with an amazing gift of volunteer labor through six-week long work groups in addition to our usual cadre of volunteers. We were able to see significant improvements to the facilities and completed much needed deferred maintenance projects.

"Clearwater has impacted my life in so many ways over the eight years it has been a part of my life. I came to camp in 6th grade as a very shy, unconfident girl but Clearwater and the people here have shaped me into the confident, outgoing person I am today! I've always looked up to the counselors and I hope I can make a difference to kids the way I was impacted here. I've grown a lot in my relationship with God each and every summer I return and I can't wait to see how God uses me at Clearwater in the future!" -2015 Graduate

Clearwater Forest is a ministry of Christ called to provide faith-building Christian programming, nurture active Christian community, and be a faithful steward of God's creation.

THANK YOU DONORS!

Clearwater Forest was incredibly blessed with the support of over 380 individuals, congregations and our ministry partners. Over \$361,000 was received in both undesignated and designated gifts.

These partners allowed our ministry to make life-changing experiences possible!

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

Guiding Lights - \$25,000 and up Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area



Spirit Club \$5,000-\$24,000

Jeremy Nyquist
Oak Grove Presbyterian Church,
Bloomington, MN
Presbytery of Minnesota Valleys
Presbytery of Northern Waters
Synod of Lakes and Prairies

Director's Circle \$1,000-\$4,999

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Jim and Kim Post
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Memorial - Phil Brown
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Donetta Wickstrom

Campers \$0-\$249

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Joan Engstrom
Jeanne Eustis
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Walter and Cecy Faster
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First Presbyterian Church, Big Fork, MN



THANK YOU!

Campers \$0-\$249 (Continued)

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 First Presbyterian Church, Eau Clair, WI
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 Kathy Gilbert
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 Phyllis Hahn
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 Vern and Marilyn Maxa
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 Terry and LaRae McGillivray
 J Gary McIntyre
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 Church, Golden Valley, MN

Memorials

Doris Betcher
 Phil Brown
 Jane Lick

*Every effort has been made to ensure accurate reporting of our ministry partners. Please let us know if there are any revisions to make.

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