

Elkhorn Echoes

SPRING 2026



Spring is here in the valley and that can only mean one thing. Summer is right around the corner. We are so excited about each program we will be offering this summer. Each of the programs are highlighted in this issue of the Echoes and our hope and prayer is that young people in your circle of influence will be attending this summer because of your leading. We are here to help however we can and reach out if finances are a need.

This past winter was full of many activities. We hosted 13 retreats as well as completing some much needed construction efforts. We finished the Boy's dorm remodel providing a new exterior of the building as well as heating and cooling in a building that is used every week in the summer. We also created a 100 car parking area there as well. All of this was made possible through the generosity of many churches and individuals who believe in our ministry and make it possible for us to continue to share the gospel with many.

In the next few weeks we will be completing many projects as we prepare for the summer camp season. We cannot possibly complete this all on our own and welcome each of you to come and donate a few hours of your time to help us get everything ready to greet campers this summer. Simply select one of the projects highlighted in the volunteers section of this Echoes addition and call us to let us know when you are coming so we can meet the deadline for each project. We will provide lunch as well as everything you need to complete the task. Thank you in advance for following God to use you in a big way to help us fulfill our mission.

May 3rd is a special day here at Elkhorn and I want to personally invite you to the camp. Starting at 3:00 PM we will be having a day of prayer here at Elkhorn. A time set aside for individuals to go anywhere on the camp they feel led to pray. We will enjoy a meal together provided at no cost to you and end with a time of worship in the chapel. This has become one of my favorite days of the year as we come together for one purpose, to pray for God's blessing over all that will be taking place in the coming months. Our prayer is that God will be glorified and that we can create safe places where campers can hear the gospel message.

A few ways you can help in a big way. Consider how you can get kids to camp, pray for our ministry and help us financially when able. We are all in this together trying to do everything we can to make it hard for kids to go to hell.

Because of Him,
Mark Laughlin



ASK ABOUT OUR SCHOLARSHIPS

DO YOU OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS HELP SENDING A CHILD TO CAMP FINANCIALLY? CALL THE OFFICE AND LET US TALK TO YOU ABOUT OUR CAMPER SCHOLARSHIPS!

Call: 740-768-2148





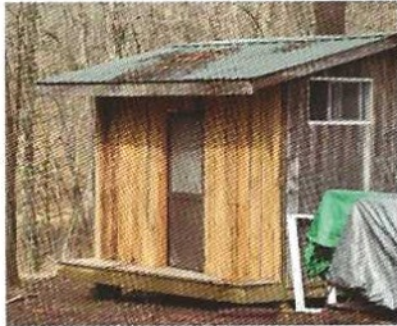
New and Improved

Boys Dorm, Parking Lots, Chapel, and Cabins

"Part of Elkhorn's mission is to provide environments that lead people to Christ"

This past fall, winter and early spring we have been hard at work making improvements to a lot of our facilities. These improvements include:

- Boy's dorm renovations
 - New face block around the exterior
 - New doors and windows
 - New A/C and heating mini-split units in each room
 - New sidewalks and lighting
- Wilderness Adirondack Renovation to Cabins
 - Enclosed each shelter and attached doors, windows and steps into the cabin
- New Parking Lots beside the Boys Dorm and where the former Dining Hall/Maintenance Shop was located
- New Chapel storage rooms next to the stage



FINAL DISCOUNT DEADLINE DATE

MAY 18 UP TO \$10 OFF

WISH LIST

Consider donating toward these items to help our ministry

- Amazon Gift Cards (we will use them for office supplies, summer supplies, etc.)
- Oreck Commercial XL Vacuum - \$189
- Recreation Equipment (playground balls, basketballs, soccer balls etc.) - \$500
- BAUER 20v Portable Power Cleaner - \$60
- M18 Milwaukee Oscillating Multi-Tool (Tool Only) - \$250
- M18 Cordless Gen II 16-Gauge Angled Nail Finisher (Tool Only) - \$380

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Elkhorn Valley
COUNCIL OF BOYS BRIDGES

Choose your project and day to accomplish some of our needs to get ready for this summer! Here is a list of different projects needing to be done with completion dates in the bold blue boxes. Come on your own or bring a group! If you plan to work through lunch we will provide that for you and your group! Thank you so much for thinking of us and scheduling out time to accomplish these projects.

SPRING CLEANING We need help preparing the multi-use dorm, dining hall, chapel, and fitness center for the upcoming camp season.	COMPLETED BY APR 26	PAINT POOL SLIDE The slide for the pool needs to be power washed and primed where needed. This project requires a larger group of individuals over a couple days.	COMPLETED BY APR 26
GROUNDS CREW We need help clearing up the grounds getting ready for summer camp. This includes site prep, weed pulling, mulching, lawn clearing and tree care.	COMPLETED BY APR 26	SPLIT FIREWOOD We have two large piles of logs in both sheds - one 20' x 10' and one 10' x 10'. The logs are ready to be cut to length, but we need help splitting them. We have to have enough split firewood available and stacked for the summer to cook.	COMPLETED BY FEB 28 MAR 7
FISHING/CANOE SETUP The lake area has many tools that could use your help for up and repairs to canoes, paddle tools, life jackets, and fishing poles.	COMPLETED BY APR 26	CLEAN SHELTERS We need some help cleaning up and around our shelters so kids can learn and study the Word this summer.	COMPLETED BY APR 26
GUTTER CLEANING We have many buildings which have many gutters; come out and help us clean out those gutters.	COMPLETED BY APR 26	ADIRONDACK RENOVATION This winter and spring we are renovating the Adirondack shelters. We will need groups to repair and add the exterior of the shelters.	COMPLETED BY APR 26
CLEAN THE CHAPEL The chapel is in need of a good cleaning. Come help us complete this project so that it will be ready for campers to spend time in worship.	COMPLETED BY APR 26	OLD GIRLS DORM REPAIRS The exterior work done by the utility room needs to be repaired. Possibly a new door, exterior sheathing, siding and painting.	COMPLETED BY APR 26

Contact Nick Derico to setup a time and day for your group to come complete one of these projects
nick@elkhornvalley.com | 740-788-2148

HIGH SCHOOL EXPEDITION CAMP

A BACKPACKING EXPERIENCE IN THE WILDERNESS




FOR GRADES 9-12
CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CAMP
info@elkhornvalley.com 740-768-2148

REGISTER NOW AT WWW.ELKHORNVALLEY.COM

CREATIVE ARTS CAMP



CREATIVE ARTS CAMP IS A WEEK FOR EXPLORING NEW WAYS OF USING YOUR TALENTS OR MAYBE FINDING TALENTS YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD! THIS SUMMER PROGRAM DIRECTOR BEN SMITH IS FOCUSING ON CRAFTING, MUSIC, PHOTOGRAPHY AND DRAMA FOR THIS WEEK!




4TH-6TH 3 DAY CAMP

THE WHOLE CAMP EXCITEMENT IN 3 DAYS

REGISTER ONLINE





» How do I register?

1) You can register online at www.elkhornvalley.com. There you can find this poster with a button underneath that says 'REGISTER HERE'.

2) Mail in a printed form from church, brochure or found online in our Summer Camp Documents tab.

» How do I know if my child is old enough for a specific program?

- Our program ages are determined by the year of school your child will be entering into in the FALL.

» Are your staff/volunteers members screened?

- All full-time staff, summer staff and all volunteers for a week of camp undergo a background check prior to working at the camp.

» What do I pack? Is there a dress code? What should I not send?

- You can scan the QR code on poster OR there is a tab 'Packing List' on our website.

If you have any other questions please see more FAQs on our website or call our office at: 740-768-2148

ELKHORN VALLEY

CHRISTIAN SERVICE CAMP



Following Jesus means living with full devotion — committed to God, His Word, His people and His mission.



BE DEVOTED THIS 2026 SUMMER

CAMP	GRADES	ARRIVE	DEPART	PROGRAM DIRECTOR
Day Camp 1	K-2	June 13/9am	June 13/4pm	Sara Allig & Becki Bungard
1st-2nd	1-2	June 30/6pm	July 1/6pm	Jacob & Kylie Mitchell
3rd Grade	3	June 28/6pm	June 30/10am	Jacob & Kylie Mitchell
4th-6th Grade 3 Day Camp	4-6	June 21/6pm	June 24/10am	Jason Cline
4th-6th Grade 5 Day Camp	4-6	July 5/6pm	July 10/10am	Mark Blakeley
Art	6-8	June 7/6pm	June 12/10am	Tanner Goss
Elkhorn Experience	6-8	June 7/6pm	June 12/10am	Tanner Goss
Sports	6-8	June 7/6pm	June 12/10am	Tanner Goss
Cooking	6-8	June 7/6pm	June 12/10am	Tanner Goss
Camp Jesus Effect	6-12	June 14/6pm	June 19/10am	Camp Jesus Effect Team
Day Camp 2	K-2	July 11/9am	July 11/4pm	Sara Allig & Becki Bungard
Creative Arts	9-12	June 7/6pm	June 12/10am	Ben Smith
Mother/Daughter	3-8	July 30/6pm	August 1/10am	Georgia Kirby
4th-6th Wilderness 1	4-6	June 7/3pm	June 10/10am	Kevin Crater
4th-6th Wilderness 2	4-6	June 10/3pm	June 13/10am	Kevin Crater
Middle School Expedition	6-8	July 12/3pm	July 17/10am	Chrissy Lewis
High School Expedition	9-12	July 5/3pm	July 10/6pm	Bryan & Melody Jones
Wilderness 1	7-12	June 14/3pm	June 19/10am	Alex Davidson
Wilderness 2	7-12	June 21/3pm	June 26/10am	Bruce & Missy Rodgers
Wilderness 3	7-12	July 5/3pm	July 10/10am	Abbey Wilson & Luke Shingle
Father/Son Camp Out	3-8	July 30/6pm	August 1/10am	Brandon Kirby



SCAN FOR PACKING LIST

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OUR TEAM

- Executive Director**
Mark Laughlin
- Office Manager**
Jennifer Laughlin
- Maintenance Director**
Nick Derico
- Marketing/Program Director**
Cameron Smith
- Food Service/Housekeeping Director**
Jessica Hale

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DAY OF PRAYER



LEADING
PEOPLE TO ENCOUNTER
JESUS CHRIST
THROUGH PROVIDING
ENVIRONMENTS
THAT WILL UNITE
& **TRANSFORM**
LIVES

Join us for a day of prayer over the entire camp. Pray with us over the many areas that will be used by campers, staff and others this summer.

MAY 3, 2026
3PM-6PM

GAZEBO BY DINING HALL
DINNER PROVIDED BY
ELKHORN AT NO CHARGE
RSVP BY APRIL 30TH

MEET AT THE GAZEBO AT 3PM FOR INSTRUCTIONS AND GRAB A MAP OF THE CAMP



Food Donations

Help us stock the Dining Hall!

Scan for list




JOIN US

UPCOMING

EVENTS

Don't miss out on what is happening at Elkhorn Valley!

www.elkhornvalley.com