

# **North Central Camp Cherith**

## **SPIRITUAL STANDARD AND STATEMENT OF FAITH**

All Camp Cherith board members and camp workers serving in any capacity shall be committed to Christ and his service and seek to manifest the kind of life expressed in Romans 12:10–12 (NIV).

“Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”

### **We believe:**

- In one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (John 14:16-17; Matthew 28:19). Jesus Christ was begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is true God and true man (Matthew 1:18-23).
- In the Scriptures of Old and New Testaments as verbally inspired by God, inerrant in the original writings, and of supreme and final authority in faith and life (2 Peter 1:20-21; 2 Timothy 3:16-17).
- We were created in the image of God; we sinned, and thereby incurred not only physical death, but also spiritual death which is separation from God; and that all human beings are born in sin and this sinful nature is the origin of all sinful acts in thought, word and deed (Genesis 1:26; Romans 5:12; Isaiah 59:2; Romans 6:23).
- The Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, as a representative and substitutionary sacrifice; and that all who believe in him are justified on the ground of his shed blood (Romans 5:8-9).
- All who receive by faith the Lord Jesus Christ are born again of the Holy Spirit, and thereby become children of God (John 1:12; Romans 8:9).
- In the bodily resurrection of Christ and his ascension to heaven, and in his present work as High Priest and Advocate (1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Hebrews 4:14-16).
- In the personal return of Jesus Christ (Acts 1:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).
- In the bodily resurrection of the just to everlasting blessedness, and the unjust to everlasting punishment (Acts 24:15; Revelation 20:15; Romans 6:23).

### **Unifying Denominational Differences**

Since many denominational groups are involved in the Pioneer Clubs and Camp Cherith programs, Camp Cherith staff members are asked not to promote or practice denominational distinctives which are not found in the Camp Cherith Statement of Faith. We encourage the unity we find through the Holy Spirit by adhering to the basic beliefs we hold in common.

I understand that being a Cherith staff member means serving-cooperating with the director and other staff members, supporting camp policies, sacrificing personal desires, and sharing the reality of Jesus Christ in my life with campers.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_