## Hastings Lake Lutheran Bible Camp 2019 Report to Congregations

Warm greetings from Hastings Lake Bible Camp!

Thank you for your ongoing support of Hasting's ministry 'to make Christ Known'. Camp is a special setting, a unique place in God's creation. Since 1938 volunteers and contributors of many kinds have worked to further this ministry.

Camp is blessed with the leadership of Andrew Carlson, Camp Director and Dieta Carlson, Office Manager. Staff, SITS and volunteers are core to carrying out programs and ancillary operations. The Board of Directors oversees operations and charts future directions.

In 2019 there were 9 summer camps for families, kids, jr youth and senior youth. Please find 2020 camp dates and details on our website *hastingslake.com*. Annually, several events and celebrations are held: SpringFling & AGM, Rally Day, Thanksgiving Celebration and Lutefisk Supper. In May, Camp successfully hosted the ELCIC ABT Synod Youth Gathering. It was an opportunity for youth to experience first hand what Hastings has to offer.

Camp depends on the generosity of our supporters to assist with programming and related operating costs. We would love to see regular monthly donations and facilitate this with a choice of method: Text-to-Give, Online/Monthly and Cheque. These 'Ways to Give' are explained on the website.

Trinity Lodge continues to be Camp's pressing capital need. At year end, the capital fund balance was \$260,000, showing continuing support. Our overall budget remains at \$400,000 and we have applied for an Alberta CFEP grant in the amount of \$125,000. An Inspection Report on our aged Triple Trailer confirmed its replacement is urgent. A new Trinity Lodge would fully replace that accommodation capacity plus provide space for groups, retreats and an office. We are confident that the project will become a reality with your generous support.

Thank you for all your support and prayers. We give thanks to God for Camp's ministry.

Cal Lyseng, Board Chair Hastings Lake Bible Camp hastingslake.com