



# CAMP: A Planning Retreat for Clergy

August 13-17, 2023, Lakeside, Montana

## Is this for me?

Are you a pastor who is yearning for some time away to prepare worship for the year? Or are you a commissioned pastor/ruling elder excited about getting your creative worship juices flowing in a community of other leaders? **If you are the key worship leader for your worshipping community**, we hope you'll join us for a nurtured retreat where you can step aside for private or collaborative planning, along with moments to have your soul tended and minds sparked by worship and music guides.

Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation's (OPSF) mission is to seek, develop, and support Presbyterian Church (USA) leaders in a thirteen state region in Middle America. Individuals from outside the region or another denomination may register after July 1 and as space is available.

## What is offered?

**At this CAMP, you choose what fuels your ministry**, whether that is solitude or collaboration, or something in between. OPSF will provide the following:

- ▲ **Morning and evening prayers** to bookend your day in music, brief liturgy, and prayer
- ▲ **A pre-CAMP guide** providing a framework for the guided portions of the event. If you choose to journey through the lectionary alongside the Rev. Dr. Kim Long, our Worship Guide, she'll let you know ahead of time key components that will help structure your annual planning
- ▲ **Fire-up** – Fifteen-minute rapid-fire brainstorming sessions to get the creative juices flowing
- ▲ **Frame** – Overview of key themes of the lectionary
- ▲ **Focus** – Participants' selected areas of interest for support or collaboration. If there's a critical mass, we'll add it to the schedule
- ▲ **Field Trip** – Off-campus excursions for those who need to get out and about to get their juices flowing
- ▲ **Free Time** – Participants set their own agendas and may build in time to rest, paddle on beautiful Flathead Lake, hike in the neighboring State Park, or grab a table at a local coffee shop

## Where is CAMP?

**Glacier Presbytery Camp is located in Lakeside, Montana**, thirty miles from Glacier International Airport, in Kalispell. Check it out at [glaciercamp.org](http://glaciercamp.org). Transportation will be provided to and from the airport between 3-6 PM, Sunday; and at the conclusion of the retreat on Thursday.

Glacier Camp is located on Flathead Lake, beside West Shore/Flathead Lake State Park. The west entrance of Glacier National Park is about an hour away for those wishing to extend their trip.

## Leaders



*Kimberly Bracken Long*  
Worship Guide

The Rev. Dr. Kimberly Bracken Long served as editor of the quarterly journal *Call to Worship: Liturgy, Music, Preaching, and the Arts* and co-editor of the 2018 *Book of Common Worship of the Presbyterian Church (USA)*. A minister of Word and Sacrament in the PC(USA), she served as a professor of worship at Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia from 2007-2017. Prior to that, Long served as Associate for Worship for the Presbyterian Church (USA) and as pastor of congregations in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Her books include *From This Day Forward: Rethinking the Christian Wedding*; *The Worshipping Body: The Art of Leading Worship*; and *The Eucharistic Theology of the American Holy Fairs*. She is also editor of the *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion*, a six-volume lectionary-based liturgical resource and, with David Maxwell, *Inclusive Marriage Services: A Wedding Sourcebook*.



*Marcus A. Hong*  
Music Leader

Marcus A. Hong is a child of God and a cultivator of worship who has served in congregations, college chapels, and youth groups for twenty years. He also is the Director of Field Education, Chapel Worship Coordinator, and Assistant Professor of Practical Theology at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. He directs the seminary's Sun-Walking Fellowship program, which encourages congregations to engage intergenerational teams of people in youth-led community-based art projects. Marcus loves movies, fantasy literature, watercolor painting, poetry and songwriting, and, alongside his brilliant wife Sarah, has his hands blessedly full raising two precocious children.

## How much does it cost?

It is Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation's mission to seek, develop, and support congregational leaders in a thirteen state area in Middle America. Reduced rates and the first opportunity for registration are provided to worship leaders from OPSF's service area. \$50 of the registration fee will be reimbursed to service-area participants upon check-in at the event, which helps prevent no-shows.

Travel support may be available for those located within OPSF's service area, who are traveling more than 250 miles. Contact [slatham@opsf-omaha.org](mailto:slatham@opsf-omaha.org) for more information.



- **Are you from OPSF's thirteen-state service area?** \$100 is required to reserve your spot. \$50 will be refunded upon check-in at the event. (Event cost = \$50, double occupancy)
- **Are you from outside OPSF's thirteen-state service area?** The cost is \$150, double occupancy
- **Add \$200 for single occupancy**
- **Two field trip add-ons** will be paid by those who choose to participate: boat trip and hike to Wild Horse Island (\$45) and Flathead Lake Alpine Coaster (\$18)

## What does the schedule look like?

**The sample schedule below will give you an idea of what to expect.** The schedule may change slightly. Participants may choose the components that best feed their souls and provide the nourishment to prepare worship for the coming year.

### Sunday, August 13

4-6 PM	Check-In
6 PM	Dinner
7 PM	Welcome & Introductions Evening Vespers
8-10 PM	Social Hours

### Typical Day Structure – Monday-Wednesday, August 14-16

9 AM	Breakfast Morning Prayer Fire-up
9:30-10:30 AM	Frame
10:30 AM – 12 PM	Choose Your Own Adventure
Noon	Lunch
1 PM – 6 PM	Choose Your Own Adventure
6 PM	Dinner
7:30 PM	Evening Vespers
8-10 PM	Social Hours

### Thursday, August 17

9 AM	Breakfast Closing Worship
9:30 – Noon	Final Planning moments or head out
Noon	Bag lunches to go

## Choose my own adventure?

**Participants may fill their time as best fuels their ministries. Possibilities include:**

- Collaborative work on daily thematic focus
- Conversations with event leadership
- Solo Preparation/Reflection
- Nature Exploration near the camp
- Write from a local coffee shop
- Focus: Scheduled offerings around the interests of participants
- Field Trip: One late afternoon or early evening excursion provided per day as indicated by interest of participants

## How do I register?

Register at [tinyurl.com/OPSFcamp](https://tinyurl.com/OPSFcamp).

## Questions?

Contact Omaha Presbyterian Seminary Foundation's President, the Rev. Shelli Latham at [slatham@opsf-omaha.org](mailto:slatham@opsf-omaha.org).



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