

SONG & STORY FEST 2022

Into the HEARTland: *Healing What Divides Us*

July 3-9, 2022 | Camp Pine Lake, Eldora, IA



A unique Family Camp featuring Brethren musicians and storytellers exploring and healing what divides us!

As we enter the Heartland of the country, let us draw together to sing, tell stories, dance, listen, and share with one another. We are living in a world that is divided: by ideas, identities, loyalties, the places we live, learn, and worship. We will examine our own hearts and thinking, and work to get to the heart of these divisions, exploring how we might come together and heal our communities, each other, and ourselves.

Like last year, we'll be gathering and eating outside with dispersed sleeping arrangements, but at least we'll be face-to-face! Except for children under 5, we're asking that everyone be fully vaccinated and boosted before the Fest. And bring your masks for when we are inside and closer together. Otherwise, we expect a more or less normal Fest.

So, Come! Take some time to tell your stories, to speak from the heart, celebrating our journeys and those who have passed on. At the Fest, through music, stories, and community, we open ourselves to the holy so that our life and work move more in time with the energizing Spirit of Life, to heal what divides us and open our hearts in love. Join us for this 26th annual Song & Story Fest in the HEARTland!

Storytellers and Workshop Leaders:

Susan Boyer Kathy Guisewite Jonathan Hunter
Jim Lehman Barbara West

Campfire, Workshop, and Concert Musicians:

Rhonda & Greg Baker Louise Brodie Jenny & Jeffrey Faus
Chris Good Erin & Cody Flory Robertson

Shawn Kirchner

Peg Lehman

Mike Stern

Recharge and refresh with us at Camp Pine Lake!

An Intergenerational Camp for All Ages -

Single persons and families of any size and shape will enjoy this combination of performance and participation in a relaxed camp setting.

Mornings - intergenerational gatherings and worship will be followed by workshops for adults, children, and youth to help us:

- Move in time with the Spirit of Life
- Reconnect with the God of all creation and with each other
- Tell the stories that make for peace and rekindle faith
- Sing the words of our hearts
- Root and ground ourselves in the Biblical story
- Deepen our connections with each other and all God's critters
- Celebrate peace, creation, and life
- Dance in circles, lines, and squares
- Learn the skills of peace-making and justice-seeking

Afternoons - will be free for family time, recreation, sharing circles, and music-making.

Evenings - campfires, snacks, and concerts or a folk dance.

Song & Story Fest #26

This is the twenty-sixth summer in a row for these Song and Story Fests and our third visit to Camp Pine Lake. We will begin Sunday evening, July 3 with supper at 5:00 pm, an opening campfire, and some music and dancing. The Fest will close Saturday morning, July 9, after breakfast, worship, and hugs.

On Earth Peace co-sponsors the Fest, providing administrative support and liability insurance coverage as Camp Pine Lake will be held harmless in case of accident, injury, or death during this event.

Camp Pine Lake, a Church of the Brethren camp in the Northern Plains District, is a beautiful 16-acre haven just east of Eldora, IA, on state route 175 about 70 miles northeast of Des Moines. Encircled by a grove of majestic oak trees, the Camp offers a cozy setting among the fertile fields and streams of the great Midwest. The Camp borders the Pine Lake State Park with its opportunities for swimming, canoeing, fishing, hiking, and golf. Canoeing on the Iowa River below the Lake is a favorite afternoon adventure. Additional recreation options include volleyball, basketball, ping-pong, 4-square, horseshoes, and the camp specialty, "carpet pool." Visit camppinelake.org or contact camppinelakedirector@gmail.com or (641) 939-5334 for more information.

Housing will be in lodges and cabins with bunk beds, though you may choose to bring a tent or RV. **We are limited by the Camp to 125 persons, so get your registration in promptly!** RV sites with hookups are available at the Camp. Let us know on your registration if you are willing to share cabin space with other individuals or families and indicate with whom. Please bring your own bedding and towels. Call the camp if you need help with these. There are a couple of rooms onsite for those with advanced age or special needs. If you would like to stay at a motel, the closest nice one is 20 minutes away in Grundy Center, the American Motel, 319-824-5272. Bring a lawn or folding chair if you can.

Food - Vegetarian options will be available at all meals upon request. If you have special dietary or housing needs, please note them on your reservation and we'll do our best to meet them.

Bring a new Table Grace to add to our repertoire.

Craft Projects - Contact Tina Rieman at tinarieman@gmail.com if you have a good craft project to share and lead. We can reimburse you for materials!

Registration and Fees

Registration includes all meals, on-site facilities, and leadership and is based upon age. Children 4 and under are welcome, no charge.

Adults	\$360
Teens	\$240
Children 5 - 12	\$150

Maximum Total Fee per Family - \$1000

Please register now and remit the entire fee by June 1. Registrations after June 10 should add 10% as a late fee. No discount for off-site, tent, or RV housing.

Daily Fee - \$45/adult, \$30/teen, \$20/child, \$120/family, includes all meals and program. Lodging is an additional \$15/night per person.

Contact Ken Kline Smeltzer at bksmeltz@comcast.net if you need financial help.

Register on-line at:

https://www.onearthpeace.org/song_and_story_fest_2022

Call Darlene Johnson at 410-635-8704 (9am-4pm eastern time) to pay by credit card or ask questions. The best thing is to mail the printed registration form and check to:

On Earth Peace, P. O. Box 188; New Windsor, MD 21776

For additional information or with program questions contact:

Ken Kline Smeltzer, Director, 1452 Willowbrook Drive, Boalsburg, PA 16827-1668; 814-571-0495 (mobile); or bksmeltz@comcast.net

Travel - Des Moines Airport is the closest airport and is 90 minutes south of Camp Pine Lake. The Minneapolis/St Paul airport is 3 hours north of Camp, and the Omaha, NE airport is three hours west of camp. Email Carolyn Neher at cyclingcal@comcast.net if you would like assistance with ground transportation from the Des Moines airport.

Registration Form is on next page

Registration Form – Family Name: _____

Names of Individuals Attending	Age	Fee
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TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE _____

Address: _____
_____ Zip: _____

E-mail(s): _____

Phone:(_____) _____ Cell: _____

Emergency Contact Person, Phone: _____

Cabin or Lodge Sharing Requests:

Flying In? Call camp if you need help with bedding; Contact Carolyn Neher for airport transport

RV or Tent? What are your needs?

We request Vegetarian Meals for _____ Person/People

Special Dietary, Health or other needs: _____

Custom T-Shirts Desired (insert number of shirts for each size ordered):

Child (\$12) S ____ M ____ L ____ Adult (\$15) S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____ XXL ____

Make checks payable to: On Earth Peace

Registration Fee enclosed \$ _____

Late fee (10% after June 10) \$ _____

T-Shirts, Linens Ordered \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Send Checks/Registrations To:

On Earth Peace, Song & Story Fest, P. O. Box 188, New Windsor, MD 21776