

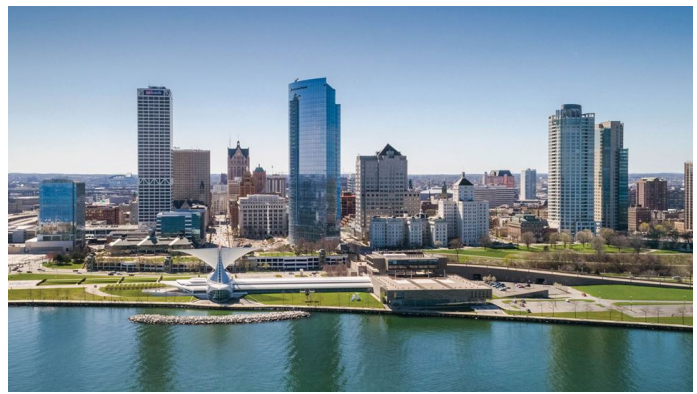
Milwaukee Servant Trip

June 10-16, 2023

Nordland will be participating in a servant trip through Serve Boldly and Green Lake Camp this summer! In 2019 we went to Denver, and this year we are headed to Milwaukee, Wisconsin! This trip is open to all youth who will have completed grades 8-12 this summer. And, of course, friends are welcome! There will also be other church groups from around the country who will be in Milwaukee with us. We will be traveling by 12-15 passenger vans.

What about our Milwaukee experience?

According to U.S. Census Bureau data, Milwaukee ranks second in poverty among the top 50 most populated cities in the United States, with 24.6% of the city living in poverty. Our ministry in the city seeks to respond to our neighbors in need by working with those who are already caring for the city. We will work alongside congregations and ministry sites in the city that serve to meet the needs of the people.



Much of our work in Milwaukee is focused on helping our neighbors to fulfill their most basic needs (food, water, clothing, shelter, etc.) in order to reach their full human potential. We are committed to meeting whatever needs local leaders identify.

Of course, we will still have time to enjoy the beautiful lake city of Milwaukee and its unique local gems and attractions.

What does a typical day look like?

A typical day begins with breakfast and devotions before 9:00 a.m., followed by serving with a community organization until around 3:00 p.m. The late afternoon and early evening include scheduled time for showers, free time, dinner, and a variety of evening program/community engagement events. The day concludes with worship, a time for church groups to check-in, and free time before lights out. Sleep comes fast after a full, fun, and meaningful day!

What will it cost? When do I need to sign up?

Total cost of the trip will be approximately \$400-\$500, possibly less - depending on fundraisers, etc. Sign up with your \$100 deposit to reserve your spot at the Nordland church office. Sign up deadline is Sunday, March 5.

Who is Serve Boldly?

Since 2012, Serve Boldly as an organization has provided teenagers around the country with the opportunity to accompany and serve their neighbor while deepening an understanding of God's presence in their lives. Beginning this year, the ministry of Serve Boldly will continue under the leadership of Green Lake Lutheran Ministries (GLLM).

At the heart of Serve Boldly is the relationships that God has placed in our path with one another. We see this ministry as a journey, and that this journey, taken with many companions, shows us the unexpected and sometimes unrecognized Christ who walks with us. In this journey, we will break bread together, we will teach and move towards accompanying our neighbors.

As Serve Boldly and GLLM, we are proud of our Lutheran identity and it guides every aspect of our organization. The very call to serve comes from a deep Lutheran passion to love our neighbors. Our programming, worship, themes, devotions, all reflect a Lutheran theology centered on the grace and love of God.