

THE OPPORTUNITY

# DIRECTOR OF CAMP AND OUTDOORS

DaySpring Episcopal Center, Parrish, Florida



## Location

Located Parrish, Florida, DaySpring is just minutes from I-75 between Sarasota, Tampa Bay, and St. Petersburg. A preserved area of 97-acres in rapidly growing Parrish, Florida, DaySpring is in very close proximity to restaurants, shopping, and good schools, while retaining its feeling of being hundreds of miles away.

## The Opportunity

DaySpring seeks a passionate and talented camp leader to assume the role of Director of Camp and Outdoors in early 2025. The Director will lead an exciting six weeks of summer camp at DaySpring, seeking to expand and develop the camp's programs and employing 20 seasonal staffers. Off-season, the Director will also lead and manage the center's adventure and waterfront programs and host occasional groups to support other departments.

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[www.DaySpringFla.org](http://www.DaySpringFla.org)

## About DaySpring

DaySpring is owned by the Episcopal Church in Southwest Florida. Annually serving thousands of guests and campers, DaySpring is a place of peace, joy, community, belonging, and hospitality. DaySpring is on the Northern banks of the beautiful Manatee River and is an idyllic oasis for wildlife, palm trees, spanish moss, and gigantic live oaks.

## Compensation

Annualized salary \$45k-\$50k  
Health & dental coverage (individual)  
Continuing education and training  
10% Retirement  
Meals while working  
Excellent 2200 sq. ft. 3-bedroom on-site home with pool (or housing allowance)



# SUMMER CAMP @ DAYSPRING

Six summer sessions serving rising 3rd graders to 12th graders.

[www.DaySpringFla.org/dayspring-summer-camp](http://www.DaySpringFla.org/dayspring-summer-camp)

<https://www.eycofswfl.org/summer-camp>

*(yes, the website situation needs help!)*

## SESSION 1

**Elementary Camp** (Grades 3-5)

This shortened week is perfect for the first-time camper and exposes young campers to a variety of activities.

## SESSION 2

**High School Camp** (Grades 9-12)

Helps teens disconnect from their fast-paced lives and reconnect with their passions while surrounded in a community of faith and joy.

## SESSION 3

**Middle School Camp** (Grades 6-8)

An authentic camp experience for middle school aged young people. Canoeing on the Manatee River, ropes courses, and crafts!

## MID-SUMMER BREAK

## SESSION 4

**Elementary Camp** (Grades 3-5)

A full-week camp experience for kids ready to be away from home.

## SESSION 5

**Middle School Discovery Camp**  
(Grades 6-8)

Creative, leadership, and environmental specialized programs to encourage unique passions.

## SESSION 6

**High School Discovery Camp**  
(Grades 9-12)

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# OUTDOOR PROGRAMS @ DAYSPRING

There are *countless* ways to enjoy DaySpring's natural campus but the Director of Camp and Outdoors specializes in adventure and recreational programs to entice the center's many guests to explore the outdoors and challenge themselves.

## HIGH ROPES COURSE



## CLIMBING TREE



## MANATEE RIVER



## TEAMBUILDING COURSE

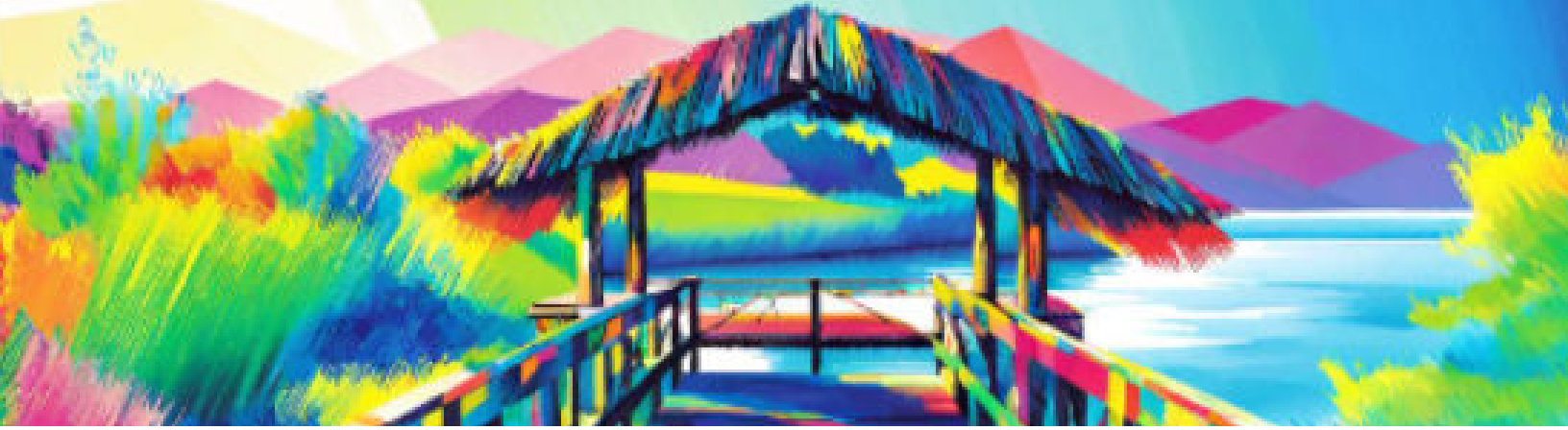


## CANOPY WALK



## ZERO ENTRY POOL





## WHO WE ARE

A Christian camp in the Episcopal tradition aimed at providing amazing summer experiences and a place of belonging and for young people.

## WE VALUE THE POWER OF THE CAMP EXPERIENCE

Summer camps at DaySpring are strong so we seek a Director who will lead us towards providing the camp experience for more and more children, youth, and young adults. Our next camp director envisions a diverse series of programs that inspire and excite young people and supports the summer staff. The role of the Director will be to lead our camp and outdoor program's improvement, deepen our connections, and inspire all those who participate. We envision a future where our core camps are sold out and we have to start adding additional weeks. We are called to grow, to improve, to deepen, and to inspire. That is what youth deserve. Initiatives we want to pursue:

- Day camps that serve local youth
- Specialty camps that serve children with disabilities
- Family camps

## SKILLS AND PASSIONS WE SEEK

- Practicing Christian (pref. familiar with the Episcopal Church)
- Advanced training and/or certification in lifeguarding and high adventure (or ability to attain)
- Passion for youth of all ages 6-25
- Hospitality at heart - called to serve all people and embrace all differences
- Creative problem-solver and teambuilder
- Outdoor enthusiast and a huge imagination



# TO APPLY

Formal job description located at  
[www.DaySpringFla.org/jobs](http://www.DaySpringFla.org/jobs)

Send a cover letter,  
resume, and three  
professional references to  
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Executive Director  
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References will be called AFTER final interviews