



**THURSDAY**

*Discovering the true treasures promised by God*

**JUNE 21, 2012**

**THIS WEEK**



Your reminder of what we've done, and what's coming up!

**MONDAY**

Jesus gives us peace, no matter what problems we face during our lives.



**TUESDAY**

Jesus knows what we need and will provide what's best for us.



**WEDNESDAY**

Jesus shows us how to depend on God's Word when we are tempted to sin.



**THURSDAY**

T-shirt day! Wear 'em!  
Park Lodge opens at 8:45 a.m.  
We're making crafts today.  
Campers depart at Noon.

**FRIDAY**

It's Water Day today!  
Park Lodge opens at 8:45 a.m.  
Campers depart at Noon.

Final Campfire night. Meet in the Park Lodge by 6:30 p.m. sharp and wear your t-shirts!

**SATURDAY** at 6 p.m. and  
**SUNDAY** at 9:00 and 10:45 a.m.  
All campers invited to come share your camp songs with everyone and don't forget to proudly wear your t-shirts!



# The Good Shepherd

Jesus showed us how much He loves us. Jesus loves us so much that He died and rose again so that we can become members of God's family.



## It's Water Day on Friday!

See important instructions on today's back page of the COMPASS.

### Story time: The Good Shepherd and His Sheep

"Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice.

He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice." Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them.

Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the

gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep. So when he sees the wolf coming, he abandons the sheep and runs away. Then the wolf attacks the flock and scatters it. The man runs away because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep.

"I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me — just as the Father

knows me and I know the Father —and I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also.

They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd. The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life —only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

**John 10: 1-18**



"My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19  
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Smelling Sweet

News that doesn't stink!

The news never stops at SonRise National Park. Here's the latest news that doesn't stink from Wednesday.



Our generous campers have been filling the Official Park Jeep (modeled here by Eagle Unit campers) with canned and dry goods and toiletries for our needy friends nearby.

We've also been collecting offerings each day to raise money for special packages of food and clothing intended for orphans in the African nation of Ghana. Each package costs \$40 and of Wednesday we had raised enough to pay for 9 packages. Our goal is 60!

We hear that Bella Carper, age 8, is a Silly Salmon who says "I really wish we could have VBS every day this summer!" We think so too, but wouldn't you get tired swimming upstream all summer?

A shout out to our friends at United Launch Alliance and the U.S. Air Force for providing a great start to our day on Wednesday by launching an Atlas 5 rocket just as we were all heading toward the Park Lodge for some midweek fun.



A SPECIAL NOTE to all Park Rangers: Did something newsy happen in your campsite? Tell it to the "Compass!" Text us at 321-698-0591 or just send a quick e-mail with all the details to jbanke@milasolutions.com. The deadline to submit your news is 6 p.m. Hurry, time's running out.

Krispy Kreme now makes Caribou Cookies (?)

Sometimes it's not easy to feed a whole bunch of hungry people. We learned this week how Jesus handled the situation when he took a couple of fish and some bread and with a miracle fed a few thousand of his closest friends until they were completely full.

On Wednesday at SonRise National Park we were blessed with a miracle in our own way when we had help feeding everyone with their daily snack. Debby Buras of the Krispy Kreme on Wickham Road in Melbourne donated 2,220 doughnut holes for the snack.

Our intrepid snack team stayed up late —



or got up early, we're not sure which — and divided the feast into baggies of five, and somehow in the process turned them into delicious "Caribou Cookies." A big thank you to the gang at Krispy Kreme for making sure every camper had that extra bit of energy they need-

ed to get through a hard day of playing, praying, singing, praising, learning and crafting.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The next Krispy Kreme miracle we're hoping for is for them to begin making those coconut cream pies again like they used to have during the 1980's. Yum!



Happy campers (top row) show their love for "Caribou Cookies" courtesy of Krispy Kreme. An apparently tired Park Aide (just above) shows us a bagged snack. Images by Cicely Conway.



Rain never dampens spirit of campers

While its certainly going to be a cool, cool summer, around here we can expect a little rain from time to time. That was the case

Wednesday when God decided to send a whole bunch of liquid sunshine our way.

Our Park Rangers took it in stride and kept the campers busy. The Gracious Wolves had fun with a colorful tarp, a beach ball and lots of hands in a circle.

Meanwhile, the Busy Beavers played Simon Says, Ring Around the Rosie, Musical Chairs and lots of Freeze Dancing!

It's amazing how much fun our campers can have no matter where they are. Good friends are truly a blessing from God.

(Image by Cicely Conway)



Today's Bible Verse

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us."

1 John 3:16



Coming up on Friday

It's water day at the National Park so come dressed in swimsuits and wearing sun screen. Pack some extra clothes and a towel too. Don't forget your offerings and donations to help others. And then come back to the Park Lodge on Friday night at 6:30 p.m. sharp for our final campfire to celebrate all we've done at VBS this year. You do NOT want to miss it!

