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# Pathfinder



## Stronger Together

*“Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.”*

1 Thessalonians 5:11



The fall season has been an inspiration for our facility improvement projects at Camp Emmaus. With the completion of the girls bath house project and the updates to our staff building, we moved our focus to the construction of a multi-purpose maintenance building. Volunteers, donors, and vendors have been extremely helpful with moving this project forward. Work is nearly complete on the exterior and we will continue to work on the interior work shop area throughout the winter. This new building will allow us to be better stewards of the property and

create a better camp experience for our campers, retreaters, and staff.



Volunteers have been hard at work at both of our camps. We had over 20 people help with clean up, maintenance projects, and window repairs at Camp Minne-wa-kan. Another small group helped

tear off and install newly donated shingles on our staff building at Camp Emmaus. Others have been helping out with chainsaws to clear downed trees and keep our trails open. We are so grateful for everyone’s hard work and fellowship.



Pathways has a \$10,000 challenge match in place to double the impact of your gift. Each dollar will be matched 1:1 up to \$10,000 as we aim to raise over \$20,000 to support this vibrant, faith filled ministry on November 19th.

If you are able, follow the step-by-step instructions on page 3 to make your impact felt.

We are grateful for your support.

**Don't want to wait?  
Early Giving starts November 1st  
and all gifts will be matched dollar  
for dollar through November 19th.**

# Retreat Spotlight

Kay Parries

K&Krafts

Our retreat spotlight this season is on Kay Parries. Kay has been the owner of K & Krafts in Moorhead for 20 years and has been coming out to camp for crafting retreats for at least 9 years. She has been connected to Camp Emmaus since her daughter was 7 and would come as a camper and for Good Shepherd church events.



Kay's favorite memory from camp is not just one. Every time Kay comes to camp she gets up early in the morning and grabs her favorite red mug that is cleverly hidden on the bottom shelf at camp and sits out on the deck with her coffee to take in God's beauty. Between the sunlit windows to work under and the scenic trails to take a break, walk, and decompress on, she says this is her peaceful place. I feel like this is so true for so many of our retreaters.

When I asked Kay what her favorite meal was at camp she couldn't name just one. She said the last thing Donna and her brother Ken made was spectacular but she just always looks forward to "Camp Food" when she comes. This is part of what keeps her coming back every year, "It's the food, how camp is run, it's how it feels."

At the end of our conversation Kay told me that it is "far but not too far, and a place to disconnect." If you are looking for this in a retreat space, contact Misty at [misty@pathwaysbiblecamps.org](mailto:misty@pathwaysbiblecamps.org) to schedule your event today. Availability at Camp Emmaus and Camp Minne-wa-kan.

## Looking for a Summer Adventure?

Consider joining our summer ministry team in 2021. Being a summer counselor is a fun and rewarding job. Our summer staff develop their connection to God and become leaders in action.

Opportunities for counselors, support staff, maintenance, interns, and counselors-in-training.



Call or email our office today. It's an experience that lasts a lifetime.

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Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in and washes all of the dirt off of you, then he cuts off the top and scoops out all of the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, and carves you a new smiling face and puts his light inside of you to shine for all the world to see.

From our friends at Bethesda Lutheran Church Moorhead



## Giving is as easy as 1-2-3!

- 1) Visit [www.PathwaysBibleCamps.org](http://www.PathwaysBibleCamps.org)
- 2) Click on the link for [GTMD2020](#)
- 3) Select the amount of your gift and submit

**give** TO THE **MAX**  
 Nov. 19, 2020

### Other ways to give:

Send a check to Pathways at P.O. Box 627, Moorhead, MN 56561

Stop by our office at 213 8th Street South in Moorhead

## Double Your Impact!

## The Perfect Socially Distant



**Get-Away!**  
**HouseBoat**  
**2021**

Book your 2021 summer houseboat trip today. We are excited and proud to offer houseboat trips on Rainy Lake again next summer. Select dates are available for groups. Call the Pathways office and visit our website for more information about this life changing adventure program in God's pristine wilderness.

## Call to Action!

This fall, we experienced significant water damage in the basement of the dining hall at Camp Minne-wa-kan. It took extensive work to find the source of the leak under the building. Repairs are underway and we are working with insurance but this is a major setback compounded by the implications of COVID-19.

Please consider supporting Pathways on Give to the Max Day this year. Your gift will help offset the expenses and lost revenue due to the water damage and pandemic.



## Financial Overview

### Individual Giving

2018	2019	2020
\$64,842	\$73,566	\$48,721ytd

### Congregational Giving

2018	2019	2020
\$99,591	\$92,322	\$62,430ytd

### Foundations and Businesses

2018	2019	2020
\$2,900	\$18,147	\$35,000ytd
\$1,575	\$6,768	\$22,249ytd

Pathways finances have continued to expand and strengthen. Individual giving has grown an average of 8% over the past two years and overall charitable giving is up 12% during that time. Although we are seeing this growth, the loss of summer registration revenue has negatively impacted our bottom line. Congregations are challenged to maintain budgetary support, while donations from foundations and endowment funds have added a significant component to our revenue stream. Other donations of cash, investments, and in-kind materials show potential for continued expansion.



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