

Fall Nature Retreat - *Sample Schedule*

Holmes Camp and Retreat Center



FRIDAY

4:00 pm – Check-in begins

6:30 pm – Dinner and welcome

Meals are served family style. For the freshest food and best experience we ask that guests arrive at the beginning of meal-times.

7:45 pm – Learning Session 1

Workshops and activities TBD

9:00 pm – Opening mixer

Enjoy some facilitated games and ice-breakers to get to know your fellow nature lovers. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages are provided.

SATURDAY

6:45 am – Bird Walk

Join an Audubon Master Birder on an early morning bird walk through the fields and forests of Holmes Camp & Retreat Center.

8:00 am – Breakfast

9:00 am – Learning Session 2

Workshops and activities TBD

10:30 am – Learning Session 3

Workshops and activities TBD

12 noon – Lunch

1:00 pm – Field Trip

Visit a local nature hotspot. The specifics of this year's trip are still being determined. Examples of potential fieldtrips include Hawk Watch with a local Audubon chapter, paddling in the Great Swamp, or guided walks at local nature sanctuaries and art installations.

5:00 pm – Outdoor Activities or Free Time

Join Homes Camp staff for a paddle on the lake or to learn the basics of Geocaching. Or simply relax and enjoy the site.

6:30 pm – Dinner

8:00 pm – Social Hour

Conversation, games, and socializing. Snacks and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided. Beer, wine, and cider are available for purchase.

SUNDAY

6:45 am – Nature Walk

Join staff from Holmes Camp & Retreat Center on an early morning hike to some favorite spots here at Holmes.

8:00 am – Breakfast

9:00 am – Learning Session 4

Workshops and activities TBD

10:30 am – Worship

An ecumenical worship service focused on themes of creation care, conservation, and the divinity of nature is available in Charlotte's Room

12:00 pm – Lunch and Farewell