Puddle Pirates Father Son Canoe & Kayak Retreat ages 9+

We'll enjoy a great weekend of kayaking & canoeing, orienteering, and hatchet throwing.
Not only will your son be learning aquatic skills & a create a great memory with their Dad, but he will see how his quest to manhood relates to God's Word.

Friday night will begin with a devotion at Grizzly's
The night concludes with a Night Expedition

Saturday activities will begin with breakfast and then Canoe & Kayak top water drills, strokes, wet entries.
Afternoon—Map & Compass orienteering, as well as Hatchet throwing.
Saturday evening will be a great time for fellowship around a camp fire and a chance to tell stories of the day.

Sunday morning Service prior to breaking camp.

In Search of Your *Pieces of 8—2 Peter 1:3-11*

**Salvation*
**Fortitude*
**Temperance*
**Prudence*
**Justice*
**Charity*
**Hope*
**Faith*

An adolescent boy without a father figure is like an explorer without a map.

Without a map or vision, boys will just drift in the puddle of today's culture.

God intended for us to learn how to navigate on the River of Life with Jesus.



Puddle Pirate Retreat

When young men understand what God wants a man to be, Christianity becomes exciting, challenging and worthwhile. The true measure of a man lies in the internal virtues within his character and how sincere he is to hold the course God has called each man to walk out in.

Strength Is Bestowed on Hearts Loyal to the Lord —2 Chronicles 16:9

Ship's Itinerary

Friday 4-6pm—Setup tents & Camp
6:30—Welcome to Eagle's landing
8pm—Puddle Pirate Charge @ Grizzly's Barn
11pm—Lights Out

Saturday 7:30—Breakfast &
30 Minutes of quiet time
8:30—Your going to get wet
Canoeing & Kayaking
Strokes, swamping, entries
11am—Lunch & 30 minutes quiet time
12:30—Orienteering, Hatchet throwing
5pm—Store all equipment
5:30—Dinner & 30 minutes quiet time
6:30-8pm—Free time, fellowship fire
8pm—Pirates' gathering @ Grizzly's
11pm— Lights out

Sunday 7:30 Breakfast &
30 minutes of quiet time
9am—Sunday service @ Sanctuary
10 am—Cleanup camp, sweep out areas,
remove trash leaving a no trace camp
11am—Break Camp & head for home

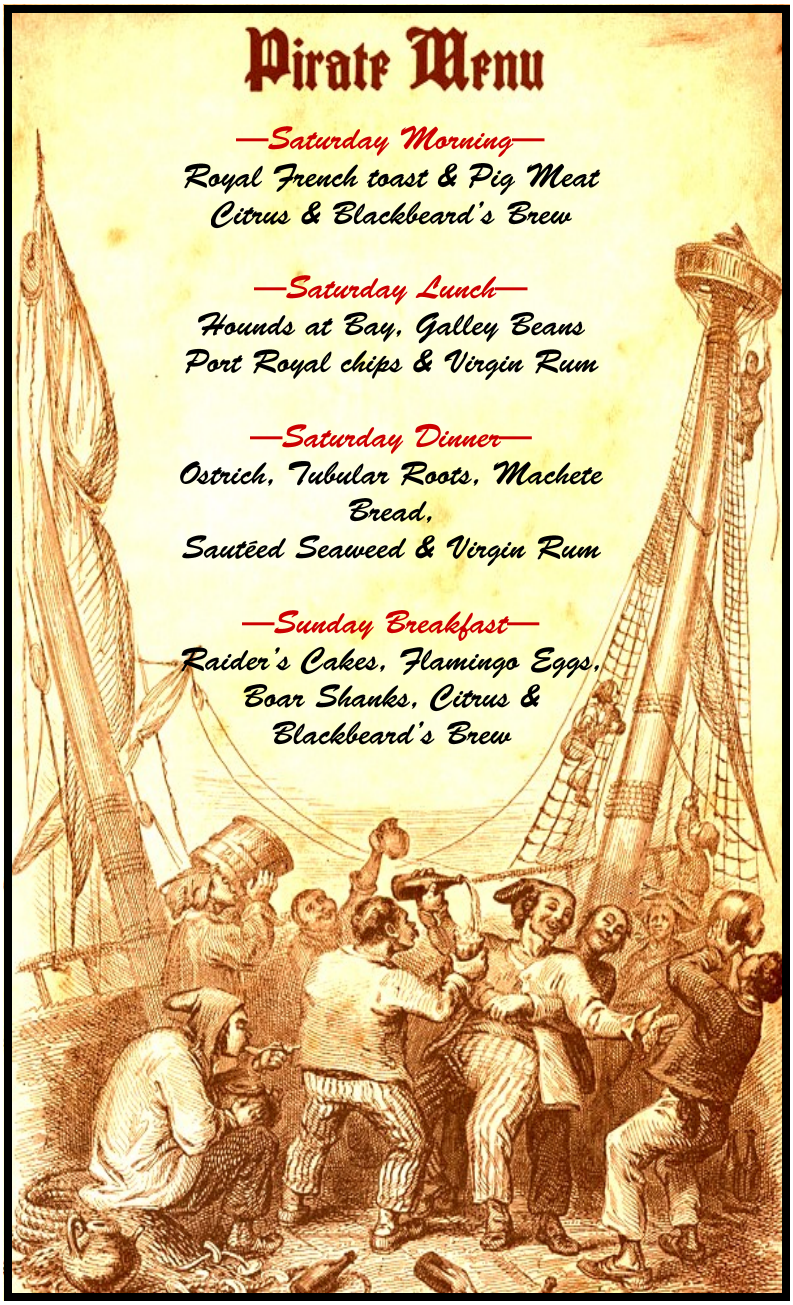
Pirate Menu

—Saturday Morning—
Royal French toast & Pig Meat
Citrus & Blackbeard's Brew

—Saturday Lunch—
Hounds at Bay, Galley Beans
Port Royal chips & Virgin Rum

—Saturday Dinner—
Ostrich, Tubular Roots, Machete Bread,
Sautéed Seaweed & Virgin Rum

—Sunday Breakfast—
Raider's Cakes, Flamingo Eggs,
Boar Shanks, Citrus &
Blackbeard's Brew



Puddle Pirate Charge

Wars and rumors of wars, great storms, hurricanes and earthquakes. There is a war of nature going on. Men will be full of selfish ambitions.
As Christians, our old nature is at war with our new heart that prods us to move out onto the River of Life. The expedition begins with twists and turns, snares and tangles, and predators who have marked off beach heads waiting for the opportune moment. The River will widen and deepen. On big waters the danger blows with storm and lurking beasts. But this is the pilgrimage of the New Nature in Christ.

Now it would be safer to stay in the harbor—Our little puddle of life: but our ship wasn't designed to be anchored at a dock, let alone in a puddle. God offers you a new nature. This new life will define us as men:

We must Reject passivity, Accept responsibility, Lead courageously, and Expect a greater reward.

Your venture is a story that needs telling. You will have to make choices—crossroads that will take us to another puddle or to the Goal Christ set for us. We will travel light, and be stepping out with three gifts, tonight. A Map, the Code, and a Sage.

A Sage is a voice of fellowship, wisdom, understanding, and experience. It would be wise to guard you heart with these three gifts from God. The Lord is our Captain and His Word is needed to wash away the Puddle Pirate Nature and His Spirit will provide us with the courage to venture on the River of Life.
Tonight is the search for our pieces of "8" and hopefully a glimpse of God's treasure.

Here is your map, your code & I would suggest taking your Dad. ——You will need a Sage!