



"Fellowship in the Pines" **2025 CCA Camping Trip**

Friday, Oct. 3rd, – Sunday, Oct. 5th, 2025

Pre-Trip Planning Meeting: Sunday, Sept. 28th, 11:45 AM (east side Rector's Hall) Topics will include: logistics, menu plan, driving directions, what to expect, and Q&A. We'll also collect your payment for food and beverages for the trip. (See Costs below)

Our Campsite: We'll camp in the Airplane Flats campground; just below the Mogollon Rim in the cool pines of the Tonto Natl. Forest. Canyon Creek runs nearby, and fishing is available. There are restrooms in camp, but no drinking water. (We'll bring our own water in with us.) There's no fee to use this campground; we hope to have a couple of group campsites reserved for us, which are normally first-come, first-serve.

Weather: Usually sunny, with a chance of showers. Average temps: highs in the 70's to low 80's, and lows in the mid/upper 40's to low 50's.

Who's invited? Parish families, individuals, and your guests are welcome. Suggest leaving your pet(s) at home. If you do bring pets, please leash/manage them so they do not disturb others or get into food or trash.

*What to bring? Tent, sleeping bag(s), pillow(s), ground cloth, an extra blanket or two, sweatshirts or jackets for chilly evenings/mornings, warm/wool cap, personal bug spray, **folding/camp chair**, towel and/or hand towel, lantern and/or flashlight. **Please bring your own plate and utensils for our Saturday night dinner!**

What if I need some camping gear? There'll likely be others who have some extra gear that you can borrow. We'll try to get you hooked up to borrow some gear at the **Sunday, Sept. 28th planning meeting.**

Meals on the trip: We have group meals; it adds to the fellowship, keeps expenses down, plus you don't need to bring any cooking gear! We're planning for five meals: Friday casual dinner, big breakfasts on Sat. & Sun., light lunch on Sat., and multiple course dinner on Saturday night (incl. s'mores for dessert!) We'll share the specifics at the **planning meeting**; if you have any special dietary needs, please let us know then.

Activities: Hiking, fishing, lounging, relaxing, prayer, meditation, visits to the fish hatchery nearby, or whatever suits you. We should be able to have a group campfire on Friday and Saturday nights. If you plan to fish, you will need to bring your own gear, license, trout stamp, etc. We may see/hear wildlife early in the morning or around sunset. (Male elk normally "bugle" that time of year; it's an awesome sound!)

Sign up: Contact Charlie Moody at 602-300-2642 or charliermoody@aol.com to sign up.

Costs: \$30/person (ages 13+), \$20/person (ages 6-12), & Free for kids 5 and under. Saturday dinner only: \$20/person. Please pay with cash, check (payable to Charlie Moody), or via Zelle. **Payment must be received no later than Sun. Sept. 28th.** After that date, there'll be no refunds if you cancel or don't show up in camp.

***Please bring a good attitude and willingness to pitch in to help make the weekend a positive experience for everyone involved!!**