



June 2021

To: Kids MAJ Participants & Parents  
From: Amy Sauer, MAJ Director, 651-366-0886 cell, majdirectors@gmail.com  
Re: Kids MAJ Information

This "Letter to Participants" is also available on the website [www.musicandjesus.org](http://www.musicandjesus.org) under "Already Registered."

## Welcome aboard to Kids MAJ!

Congratulations on choosing to be a participant in this year's Kids MAJ! At MAJ, you will challenge yourself individually, you may discover talents you never knew you had, you will get to let loose and act silly, you will get to praise the Lord, and I guarantee you will have fun!

Please read the following details carefully. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me (text, call or email).

## MAJ "camp" – June 25, 26 & 27

MAJ "camp" will run for two full days and Sunday morning at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Delano, MN. All participants should plan to attend the entire camp.

Friday, June 25	9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 26	9:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. (when dress rehearsal is done)
Sunday, June 27	8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. or so (when show is done, and you're done eating at the meal)

During "camp," the church phone # 763-972-2442 – you will probably reach a volunteer/chaperone. To contact me directly during "camp," text or call my cell (text is easier to check, and I don't always answer unknown calls).

## Dress Rehearsal on Saturday for family and friends

There will be a dress rehearsal performance on Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend! Participants will be excused following the rehearsal (about 8:30 p.m.).

## Sunday's Performance & Meal for family & friends – DIFFERENT THIS YEAR

After two full days of rehearsal, you will be ready to perform the show for your family & friends! You will sing in church on Sunday morning – 9:00 a.m. at Mt. Olive. Following church, your performance will be at 11:00 a.m., with a Meal to follow at 12:00 p.m.!

**DIFFERENT THIS YEAR – "Grill-out" meal to be served:** This year, following the performance, the meal for everyone (family, friends, participants) will be a "grill-out," including burgers, sides, veggies, fruits, etc. – all prepared and served by a volunteer crew. NO POTLUCK THIS YEAR – and therefore **no need to bring any food to share.** Please note **there will be a free-will donation basket available** for anyone to help pay for the meal. Your donations towards the meal (of ANY amount!) are greatly appreciated! Thank you!

## Invitation for family & friends & your church's bulletin

Attached is an invitation flyer/bulletin insert to share with your family and friends and/or church. Invite them for Saturday & Sunday's performances! The "MAJ Performances Invitation Flyer/Bulletin Insert" is also available on the website [www.musicandjesus.org](http://www.musicandjesus.org) under "Promote" OR just forward the email invite (when you receive it) to your family and friends!

## Adjustments re Covid

Adjustments re covid will be made under current circumstances, and may include spreading out, doing activities outside, serving snacks in individualized cups, etc. If you have specific questions re intended practices at MAJ, please contact me directly.

Re masks – At the time of writing this letter, masks will not be required at MAJ, and it is intended that masks won't be worn for the performance. However, if a participant prefers to wear a mask during camp, he/she certainly can do so, and if he/she prefers to wear a mask during the performance, he/she will likely be encouraged to lower one's mask to speak his/her line(s) and/or solo.

## Food

You should bring your own bag lunch for both Friday and Saturday. Please also bring two healthy snacks to share for each of the mornings and each of the afternoons (i.e. bag of oranges, bag of apples, bag of grapes, a watermelon, bag of string cheese or a block of cheese, a summer sausage, box of crackers, etc.). Suppers on Friday and Saturday will be provided. You should also bring your own (labeled) water bottle each day (a drinking fountain is available) and any other additional beverages. But please don't bring pop!

## Theme

This year's show is called, "Rays of Light." The participants take a trip to Nashville on horseback, intending to participate in a performing contest at the Grand Ol' Opry. Along the way, they conclude they can be His rays of light and let their lights shine as performers and in their lives.

## Costumes

You should bring your entire costume to the first day of MAJ (Friday). I will take a look at your costumes on Friday and help decide on your final costume pieces.

- **Make sure to label (i.e. with masking tape) all items you bring!**
- Costumes should look like cowboys and cowgirls
- Cowboy stuff – extra cowboy hats, extra boots, belt buckles, bolo ties, etc.
- **Please bring extras of costume pieces to share.**
- Girls: Cowgirl-style jeans, jean skirts, ruffled skirts, plaid skirts, cowgirl-style skirts, etc.
- Boys: Cowboy-style jeans, the more cowboy style, wrangler look, etc.
- Cowgirl/cowboy-style button down shirts, plaid, flannel, dress shirts, ruffles (for girls), etc.
- Cowboy boots or dark shoes that go with cowgirl/cowboy look
- Cowboy hat
- Bolo ties (for boys), suspenders (for boys), belt buckles
- Girls: Bloomers or spandex shorts for under skirts if you're wearing a skirt
- **Note:** We do need one set of chaps and a saddle if anyone has one – if you could email or text Amy to let me know if you have chaps or a saddle, that would be helpful!
- Hair – Hair for boys and girls can be normal but well-groomed. Girls could wear braids, pony tails, etc.
- **Girls – PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN bold-color lipstick** (red, berry, etc.) this year to wear for the performance. (Blush will be provided.)

## All Parents Needed as Volunteers – Link for an online volunteer signup service will be emailed to you soon

MAJ is an all-volunteer-run program, so volunteers are needed to help make MAJ a success! All parents and other adults are asked/encouraged to volunteer in some way during MAJ weekend or sometime before. A list of volunteer needs, utilizing an online volunteer signup service will be available soon and emailed to you. If you have questions, you can contact Volunteer Coordinator Jennifer Arps at [volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com) or 612-940-0483 cell. Thank you!



## Song List

If you would like, you can begin becoming familiar with the songs in the show. All songs can be found on YouTube, and you can also google the lyrics as well (keep in mind we will not necessarily sing all the lyrics for each song).

If you would like to view the Google Drive containing the music and mp3 files, this is the link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1KR2dmJwcjcvDtagbltUFh9pVyHxs9fVs?usp=sharing>

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| 1. The Great Adventure            | from A Week Away movie / Steven Curtis Chapman |
| 2. He Will Provide                | Sonwest Roundup                                |
| 3. My Lighthouse                  | Rend Collective                                |
| 4. My Feet Are On the Rock        | I Am They                                      |
| 5. Come to Jesus                  | Chris Rice                                     |
| 6. Medley:                        |  |
| -What a Friend We Have in Jesus   |  |
| -Nothing But the Blood            | Getty Kids Hymnal                              |
| -Power in the Blood               | Getty Kids Hymnal                              |
| 7. Let Your Spirit Rise Within Me | Integrity Worship                              |
| 8. This Little Light of Mine      | Psalty   |

## Host Houses for Remote Participants

If you indicated (via online registration) that you are in need of a host house, then Jennifer Arps and I are working on making arrangements for that. We will be in contact with you soon, if we have not contacted you already. If you have not heard from one of us, yet, feel free to call, text or email me or Jennifer at [volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com) or 612-940-0483 cell.

## What to Bring

- (2) snacks to share as listed above.
- Water bottle (labeled) with water
- Bag lunch for Friday & Saturday
- Your costume (each piece labeled)
- Brown paper bag with your name on it (for putting your costume in)
- Bold-colored lipstick (for girls)
- Comfortable clothes and shoes for dancing around in
- You may want to bring an extra water outfit or swimsuit for "Water Olympics" on Friday, as you might get wet
- Your registration fee, if not yet paid (it is preferred that you pay via Venmo or Paypal or mail your check to Amy before MAJ begins)
- If you bring your cell phone, please use only when absolutely necessary.
- Your parent during his/her volunteer/chaperone time
- *Your enthusiasm and energy!*

**See you at MAJ!**