

(Updated as of June 20, 2023) June 2023

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 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" – July 7, 8 & 9, 2023

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, July 7 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, July 8 9:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. (when dress rehearsal is done)

Sunday, July 9 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 & Potluck for family & friends

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. and Potluck to follow at 12:00 p.m.

Please bring an entrée, salad or dessert to share!

## 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 <a href="https://www.musicandjesus.org">www.musicandjesus.org</a> under "See the Show" or "Promote," OR just forward the email invite (when you receive it) to your family and friends!



## Kids MAJ 2023 presents: "Treasure for a Lifetime"

By youth in grades 2-8 from across Minnesota & beyond

This engaging 45-minute original musical show features a Bible-based and Christ-centered script, Christian contemporary music, high-energy choreography, 60 performers from 25+ different communities across Minnesota & beyond and lots of fun!

> Be touched spiritually! Support our youth! Great for the entire family! Free!



- Sunday, July 9, 2023 9:00 a.m. Participants perform during worship
11:00 a.m. Kids MAJ Show
12:00 p.m. Meal

Performance is at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, Delano, MN 435 Bridge Ave E, Delano, MN 55328

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#### 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, bag of fresh broccoli, 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, "Treasure for a Lifetime." The participants are pirates, and with a treasure map in hand, they are in search of thee treasure for a lifetime. Watch the show to discover what the treasure map leads them to, and what the treasure for a lifetime truly is!

#### Costumes

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

#### Costume Pieces for Everyone:

- Make sure to label (i.e. with masking tape) all items you bring!
- Please bring extras of costume pieces to share if you are able.
- Costumes should look like pirates. Google DIY pirate costumes for ideas.
- NO SKULLS OR BONES, etc. (i.e. no skulls on hats, shirts, etc.)
- Pirate-style skirts, pants, knickers, vests, blouses, sashes, hats, bandanas, etc.
- Shoes Pirate boots, shoes, etc. Otherwise, you can wear neutral or dark shoes Can be tennis, dress shoes, flats, "character shoes," etc.
- Accessories Hooks, peg legs, eye patches bring what you have! No skulls, etc. NO SWORDS. (We might provide swords for a few characters, but I do not want everyone to bring a bunch of swords!):)
- Hair pirate-style braids, long hair, etc. (it's okay to wear your hair normal, too!)
- Girls: Bloomers or spandex shorts for under skirts if you're wearing a skirt. Also, be sure your outfit is modest
   no cleavage-style tops
- FYI Everyone will receive a MAJ t-shirt, but it will NOT be part of your costume (you can wear it at the potluck after the show).
- Girls PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN bold-color lipstick (red, berry, etc.) to wear for the performance. (Blush will be provided for all.)



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

MAJ is 100% volunteer-run, 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 <a href="mailto:volunteerformal@gmail.com">volunteerformal@gmail.com</a> or 612-940-0483 cell. Thank you! All help is appreciated!



## **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: <a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1uQN3QhGuB0tusZTnfSTN4MgqWsRrOEh1?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1uQN3QhGuB0tusZTnfSTN4MgqWsRrOEh1?usp=sharing</a>

O the Deep Deep Love of Jesus
 I'm Keeping My Eyes on Jesus
 Gospel Light
 God is Good All the Time
 New Lease on Life
 Mercy Me

5. Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone BYU Noteworthy, Chris Tomlin

6. All My Hope
 7. What a Friend
 8. Stand Together
 Closure: That's Why We Praise Him refrain

Crowder
Matt Maher
Group Publishing
Integrity Kids

## **Host Houses for Remote Participants**

If you indicated (via online registration) that you are in need of a host house, then Jennifer Arps is working on making arrangements for that. She will be in contact with you soon, if she has not contacted you already. If you have not heard from her, yet, feel free to call, text or email her at <a href="mailto:volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com">volunteerforMAJ@gmail.com</a> or 612-940-0483 cell.

#### **Payment**

If you have not made your registration payment, yet, please do so soon (it's preferred that you pay before the first day of MAJ). Reminder that Kids MAJ cost is \$35 (early bird rate by April 1) or \$50 (regular rate after April 1). You can make electronic payment via Paypal or Venmo or mail a check.

Paypal Username: @MAJMusicAndJesus Venmo Username: @MAJMusicAndJesus

(MAJ logo & name Amy Sauer should be viewable)

OR mail a check payable to "MAJ" or cash to MAJ c/o Amy Sauer, 7187 Frontier Trl, Chanhassen, MN 55317

## 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. (Note: swimsuits for girls need to be a one piece, or a tshirt/tank top needs to be worn over the top.)

- Your registration fee, if not yet paid
- 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!