**Summer camp 2024 Grant Report**

We had a wonderful summer camp this June and are tremendously grateful for the support of the high plains region. The children deepened their relationships with one another, learned spiritual practices, and had fun.

It also was a great gift to the adults of our congregation who donated food and supplies as well as time. People found ways to use their gifts, if only for a small time- leading a hike and bird watching one afternoon or making small helicopters out of paper. It was particularly moving that one of the staff we hired decided to donate his time which meant that we actually have some small seed money to begin camp next year.

We had 14 children in attendance, which is much smaller than we have had in the past. We spent some money on reaching out to the neighbors, but our group was mostly children who are part of our congregation. We had 5 children who do not go to our church and several of the children who do attend are not regular in attendance. For those who are not regularly part of the church, the camp had a significant impact. The children came to know God as loving and accepting and the church as a fun place. I also know it was a great gift to the parents, who often struggle to find affordable childcare.

Finances

**Income 2490**

Grant from HPR 2100

Donations from congregation 320

Enrollment fee ($5 per kid) 70

(Additional in kind donations covered meals and snacks- aprox $750)

**Expenses 2125.46**

Staff\* 900

Curriculum 299.99

Advertising 658.28

Materials 267.19

**Balance 364.54**

\*one of the staff decided to volunteer their time so we saved $400

Here is a video one of our parishioners made about camp. We do have permission from all the parents for us to have pictures/videos of the kids, but we left the video unlisted so you must have the link to view it.

https://youtu.be/G5UmBeLpe6g