

Land Acknowledgment - Camp Koinonia:

Why we acknowledge land:

This is the traditional lands of many people before us. We are caught in the midst of a colonial society still very much ingrained in harmful and abusive practices and laws. By acknowledging land we verbally recognize the privilege we carry through our use of this land and the peoples who have been uprooted from this land - we are guests in this place. This land is not ours - but our creator's. This is a reminder to be stewards and care for this place's beauty so that it may be loved by the many people who are yet to come.

Koinonia Means:

Christian fellowship or communion with God and others.

Treaty 2: negotiated and entered in 1871

The Treaty was signed with Dakoto, Chippewa, and Cree First Nations

We share this land with these Indigenous communities:

Dauphin River, Ebb & Flow, Keeseekoowenin, Lake St. Martin, Lake Manitoba, Little Saskatchewan, O-Chi-Chak-Ko-Sipi, Pinaymootang, and Skownan

On this land we are closely connected to the Sioux Valley and Canupawakpa communities of the Dakota Nation.

May we seek to be stewards of this land living in fellowship with this place and the peoples who have cherished, loved, and cared for this place. We are part of the greater story of this land; of the peoples who have come before us and the peoples who will come after us.