



**FEASTING ON FAITH  
THE NATURE INSTITUTE  
AUGUST 6TH  
5:30-8PM**

**CALL: 465-3592 (First Presbyterian) or 254-5880 (LoveJoy Presbyterian)  
to register**

Dear Parents/Grandparents,

Summer vacation is sadly and quickly growing to a close for our children. Let's squeeze in a little VBS fun before it ends. First Presbyterian of Alton, IL and LoveJoy United Presbyterian Church of Wood River invite you to join us for an evening of fun at **The Nature Institute in Godfrey**, on **Friday, August 6th from 5:30pm - 8pm**. We are calling this program **Feasting on Faith**. We will be exploring the ways God provides for his beloved children with stories from the Bible coupled with interactive activities tied to those stories.

During **Feasting on Faith**, the children will be organized into small, grade level groups and accompanied by group leaders as they move from one activity to the other. Encourage your children to invite and bring their friends, neighbors and school classmates. Just let us know on the registration form, so that they can be together in the same group.

**MISSION:** Our mission project this year is to support **Oasis Women's Center**. Oasis is dedicated to providing the resources needed for those who are in domestic abuse crisis or pre-crisis situations. Throughout the year there are families who find themselves in crisis and must exit their current situation quickly, leaving behind basics, like school supplies. This means Oasis has a need for school supplies year-round. Any school supplies you can bring on Friday, August 6th are welcome. Oasis has listed their most urgent needs as: **back packs, wide-ruled notebooks, glue sticks and colored markers**.

**CARPOOLING:** Members of LoveJoy United, who wish to carpool, may meet at the church building no later than 4:45. Vehicles will leave promptly at 4:45. Parents, please return to 8:30pm to pick up your children.

**If you are transporting your own child to The Nature Institute:**

**DROP OFF & PICK-UP:** Children may be dropped off in the circle area by Talahi Lodge. If you are going to park and explore a bit yourself, please pull all the way down to the parking area behind the circle drive. **After VBS please pick up your children** from the porch ramp of the lodge. We will try our best to have them ready and waiting for you by

8:00. This is safer than having children run to greet parents by going out into the driveway area.

**In case of rain** on the evening of **Feasting on Faith**, we will continue our activities inside the lodge, unless there is lightning. If you wish to pick up your children early, we will be inside the lodge or on the porch. **Please plan to pick up your children if there is lightning** in the area.

Call 581-7730 for information, if you are in doubt.

We hope your children will consider joining the fun with us at The Nature Institute (TNI) this year. Even though it's just one night, we will still offer crafts, outdoor games, tasty snacks and Bible stories to enhance your child's learning and fun.

A registration is enclosed with this letter. If your child is inviting friends, feel free to make copies or call any of the above listed phone numbers and we will take your information over the phone, or you may bring it with you when you come.

As always, this VBS is offered to the entire community, regardless of religious beliefs or church affiliations. It is a children's ministry. There will be no obligations on your part after the evening is over and there is absolutely NO COST for any of the activities.

We hope you will join us; and we hope to see you soon at **Feasting on Faith at The Nature Institute** in Godfrey as we celebrate, learn & have fun together outside!

It is good to be together again!

Peace & Grace,  
Feasting on Faith Planners