

**Name:** Jonathan Breitbarth

**How have you been involved with Lutheran Island Camp?**

Staff, Camper

**Please share with us one or more of your favorite memories at Lutheran Island**

**Camp.** The number of memories I have from camp are too great to count. Some of them include the baptism of a camper, the Thursday night campfires, flash light wars, basketball camps, cookouts, swim time, skit nights, weekends off, encouraging notes between staff, bible study times, family camps, challenge course, and so many other memories.

I have enjoyed the way in which God has brought connections from camp back into my life over the years. These reunions are always a reminder to me of how God uses camp in the faith formation of so many lives. I just never know when God will bless my life with a past camp connection.

**Tell us how God has worked through camp in your life.**

God used Lutheran Island Camp in several ways. First, God used Lutheran Island Camp when I was a counselor to help in the formation of the faith being my faith and not my parent's faith. Camp helped me to understand that Jesus is my personal Savior.

As a counselor, God used camp to help me in the self-discipline it takes to be in God's Word on a daily basis. The setting of camp enhanced the idea of a personal "quiet time" with God everyday.

**Please feel free to share a personal update with other alumni in the space below.**

I have been blessed with a wonderful family. I have been married to Heidi Handrick since July Of 2004. We met Heidi in the Master's of Christian Outreach at Concordia University, St. Paul. In February of 2009, God blessed our family with our first son Reese Jonathan Breitbarth. We currently live in Bloomington and attend church at Living Christ Lutheran Church in Chanhassen, MN.

I currently serve at Concordia University, St. Paul. I have been called to Concordia since February 1998. I am currently Director of Computer Services. In addition, I serve as Head Cross-Country Coach and Assistant Track and Field Coach.

**What year(s), if any, were you on the LIC staff?**

1994 through 1996

**If you served on staff, what position(s) did you hold?**

Counselor

**What year(s) were you a volunteer at LIC?**

**What year(s) were you a camper at LIC?**

1988-1993

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