

JR. & SR. UMY

BLUEWOOD SKI DAY

Ski Bluewood | Dayton, WA | February 20, 2021



Trip Cost: \$10

To maintain social distancing expectations for our ski trip this year, we will be relying heavily on the commitment of parents/guardians to drive their youth to Bluewood. Thank you in advance for your love and dedication to our youth and youth program!

Please arrive to the mountain by or before 8:30 AM to ensure you receive a parking spot (they will turn cars away when the parking lot is full). Meet Rachel at the white oval tent to the left of the lodge to receive your tickets from Rachel. Then you will wait in line to receive your rentals and register for your Easy Rider package. Please read the letter for more information.

Contact Rachel with questions: rachel@kennewickfirst.com, Facebook, or cell (509) 378-7724

Jr. & Sr. UMY Bluewood Ski Day Registration

Name of skier/snowboarder this registration form belongs to (each youth and adult needs to complete one): _____

Please Circle the activities you would like Rachel to purchase a ticket for:

Ski Rental

Snowboard Rental

Lift Ticket

Helmet (required by KFUMC)

Easy Rider Package (includes 2-hour lesson, rental, and a lift ticket)

Parents, would you like the gift of skiing/snowboarding OR gas and lunch? Circle one.

If this registration form is for a youth, complete the following:

Youth Signature (agreeing to abide by our UMY "E-Man's rules") _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Parent Phone # _____

Registration and \$10 is due January 31st

Dear United Methodist Youth and Families,

It has been very heavy on my heart to do everything I can to plan a ski trip for our youth this year. When I went snowboarding at Ski Bluewood over Christmas break, I was able to observe and participate in the COVID-19 precautions that Bluewood is taking to ensure safety and social distancing. I have discussed having a Bluewood Ski Day with Pastor Mark and the staff at Kennewick First UMC and it is official... **we are going to Bluewood for the day on February 20th to enjoy a much-needed day of fellowship with one another on the mountain!**

To maintain social distancing expectations for our ski day this year, we are not able to provide transportation via the church bus and will be relying heavily on the commitment of parents/guardians to drive their youth to Bluewood. Thank you in advance for the love and dedication to our youth and youth program!

To thank all of the parents/guardians for providing transportation for individual households, the youth program will either pay for one adult to ski/snowboard (rentals and lift ticket) OR we will give you a gas card and lunch money. Please decide if you would rather be given the gift of skiing/snowboarding OR gas and lunch by circling your option on the Bluewood registration form!

This year, we are giving the gift of skiing and snowboarding to the youth! For only \$10, the youth will receive their rentals, lift ticket, and lesson if needed. This is an incredible opportunity as Bluewood is not offering group rates this year and rentals cost \$40 and youth lift tickets cost \$50, the Easy Rider package (rentals and lesson) cost \$74 and an additional fee to add a lift ticket to the Easy Rider package, and there is also an additional fee to rent a helmet, which are required by Kennewick First.

On February 20th, please arrive to Ski Bluewood no later than 8:30 AM to ensure that you receive a parking spot. The mountain staff turns cars away when the parking lot is full! You may arrive earlier if you wish just to be safe, I will be there by 8:00 AM. When you arrive to Bluewood, change into your ski clothes and then meet Rachel at the big, white oval tent located to the left of the lodge. In years past, I have been able to pre-pay for group tickets, rentals, and lessons at a group rate. Because the mountain is not selling group tickets this year, I am able to pre-pay for lift tickets and rentals ahead of time online, but am not able to register or pre-pay for the Easy Rider packages ahead of time. Therefore, if you registered for a lift ticket and/or rentals, you will receive your tickets from Rachel, will get fitted for rentals, and get on the lifts when they open at 9:00 AM. If you registered for the Easy Rider package, you will go inside the tent with Rachel to register for your lesson and Rachel will pay for your Easy Rider package then.

There are sledding hills along the highway prior to arriving to Bluewood at the Umatilla National Forest. There is a parking lot located at the Umatilla National Forest with sledding hills, bathrooms, and snowmobile trails. If you have non-skiers and non-snowboarders in your group, you can drop your skiers and boarders off at Bluewood and then, **once your**

youth has received their tickets and rentals, go sled, adventure around, go to Dayton, or stay warm in your car!

Please review Bluewood's COVID-19 precautions as we prepare to go to Bluewood. Bluewood's website provides helpful and necessary information about their grab-and-go food and drink options, bathroom use, face covering expectations, and social distancing expectations. Please note that their lodge is not open for seating. You must eat your lunch at the outdoor picnic tables or in your car. There are bathrooms available inside the lodge for use. You must wear a face covering when inside the lodge, in lines outside, in the rental tent, and on the lifts.

<https://bluewood.com/covid19>

We are very blessed to be able to assist families this year and cannot wait to share this blessing with you. It has been about a year since our youth group has gone out of town and has spent the day with one another. Your youth group Leaders and I hope that this day will be filled with love, joy, positive fellowship, and wonderful memories!

Registration form(s) and money are due on Sunday, January 31st. You may bring your registration form and money to the UMY Movie Night on January 17th, the Disc Golf activity on Sunday, January 31st, or you may mail your registration form and money to the church office:

Kennewick First UMC
421 W. Kennewick Ave.
Kennewick, WA 99336

Please make checks payable to:
KFUMC

Please contact Rachel if you have any questions. I know that this is a lot of information to digest 😊

Cell: (509)378-7724
Email: rachel@kennewickfirst.com
Facebook Messenger, too!

Thank you so much for helping to make a fun day of skiing and snowboarding possible for our youth!

Blessings & Joy,

Rachel