

Parish Camping on Mt. Rainier

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When:

Sunday afternoon, August 21 thru Wednesday noon, August 24, 2022

Where:

We have reserved two Group Sites, F4 & F5 at the Cougar Rock Campground, just up the road from the Longmire Lodge at Mt. Rainier National Park. The campground is accessible from the southwest entrance to the park, via State Route 706 beyond the little town of Elbe.

We will headquarter for worship, meals & activities at Group Site F4.

Only tenters are allowed to use the group sites, no RVs. If you plan to bring an RV or set up a tent elsewhere in the Cougar Rock campground, **you must make your own reservations!** Loop E is closest to the Group Sites, loop D is also close. There are no hook-ups in the Park. You may reserve private camp sites here, or Google: Cougar Rock Campground Reservations.

Meal Cost:

All meals will be provided. \$7.00 per person per meal, children, 4 & under are free. All eight meals: \$56.00 per person. Regular “Costco” type fare is served, we cannot make accommodation for food allergies.

Tent Fees:

\$8.00 per tent per night. All three nights: \$24.00 per tent.

Registration and Payment:

Register online on our campout page at OrthodoxTacoma.com. A PayPal link will be set up to pay for tenting and meals – but checks to “Holy Resurrection” do not cost us a service charge and keeps prices lower! Checks may be mailed to:

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church
P.O. Box 1332
Puyallup, WA 98371

Registration is limited to the first fifty campers. Registration and fees must be received by Monday, August 15, 2022. No refunds will be made after this date.

Park Entrance Fee:

The National Park entrance fee is \$30 for a private, noncommercial vehicle with a seating capacity of 15 or less. This fee provides the visitor with a seven-day entrance permit.

A Senior Pass (62 & older) is available for a one-time fee of \$80 from the National Park Service. Search, “America the Beautiful Pass” on your browser. It offers free lifetime admissions to all National parks, and half off personal (not group) camping sites. This lifetime pass may also be purchased at a ranger station in the park. Please share rides! See if you can share space in your vehicle with other campers departing from Holy Resurrection Church. Those possessing annual, senior, or military passes are encouraged to help us all get into the park for free! For instance, a couple with two Senior Passes may want to split up for a ride in in another vehicle.

What to Expect:

Crews will be assigned for meal preparation & cleanup, sack lunches will be provided, and you may do whatever you wish during the day. Bring your favorite board games for afternoon down time. Evenings will include campfires, so bring your instruments! There will be opportunities for hiking and other activities. If you plan to hike, please bring a rucksack for lunch, water bottle, sturdy shoes, socks & hat. We’ll discuss next day

hikes after dinner. Visit Paradise: Visitor center with activities for kids, wildflower walks; beautiful retro rebuild of the original 1916 lodge, places to relax, snack bar with ice cream, etc. Visit Longmire: Trail of the Shadows (flat, .7 mile); camp store with ice cream, etc. Late night telescope program may be available at Paradise.

This is a family event, we ask that no alcohol be consumed at the Group sites, F4 & F5. Parents are responsible for their children at all times! Please supervise children around the campfires and in the food lines! Children should not play around cooking areas or in the U-Haul truck.

Schedule:

8:00 a.m. Third & Sixth Hours, short talk

Breakfast follows Hours

10-10:30 a.m. Hike departure

Lunch (whenever and wherever you like)

6:00 p.m. Vespers.

Dinner Follows Vespers

8:15 p.m. Campfire (Sunset)

We Need Your Help:

Truck load on Sunday after Liturgy for HROC members! Please help load the truck and clean camp sites on Wednesday. We desperately need as many people as possible to help unload the 20' U-Haul truck when it arrives back at Holy Resurrection Church on Wednesday, August 24! Please plan on stopping at the church to lend a hand: Many hands make light work!