2010-2019

Rise and Shine

2010 The Reverend Susan Carpenter begins as Program Director

2011 Town Hall Meeting at ECC

2012 The Reverend Meaghan Brower begins as Director

2014 Bridge Camp begins at ECC

2016 Strategic Discernment Process begins for ECC

2016 City Camp Woonsocket and Little Explorers run for the first time.

2016 ECC becomes an accredited camp with the American Camping Association

"ECC has been a consistent positive influence on my life from my relationship with friends on staff who have kept me sane and laughing and who continue to support me in my life; to my relationship with God who walked with me through difficult times, decisions, and life changes; to my relationship with myself as a spiritual and confident individual. Just the way camp has been constantly growing and changing over the last 10 years for the better, I have been able to do the same."

- Chelsea Marcelin Counselor 2009-2012



In 2010, The Rev. Susan Carpenter came into the position of Program Director, while also working as the half-time Priest-in-Charge at St. Thomas Church in Greenville.



Shortly after the Town Hall Meeting, the Send a Kid to Camp Campaign was started in and around the diocese. Churches and individuals were asked to make donations to help cover the cost of a week of camp for campers. The campaign was well received. At the same time camp alumni made efforts to visit parishes to recruit new families. Beginning in 2011, there was a renewed enthusiasm for ECC programs and the numbers for summer camp reversed decline.



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■ Set forth as a goal in the 2006 Task
Force Report, ECC is finally an accredited camp with the American
Camping Association. No more pole climbing everyone!

Two new programs were introduced in 2016.
City Camp Woonsocket is a partnership with
St. James Church. Campers serve as "Young
Leaders" and travel to Woonsocket every day to
bring camp to the children there.
Little Explorers is a day camp for children aged
4-7 that runs for 2 weeks of the summer, allowing very young children to experience ECC.

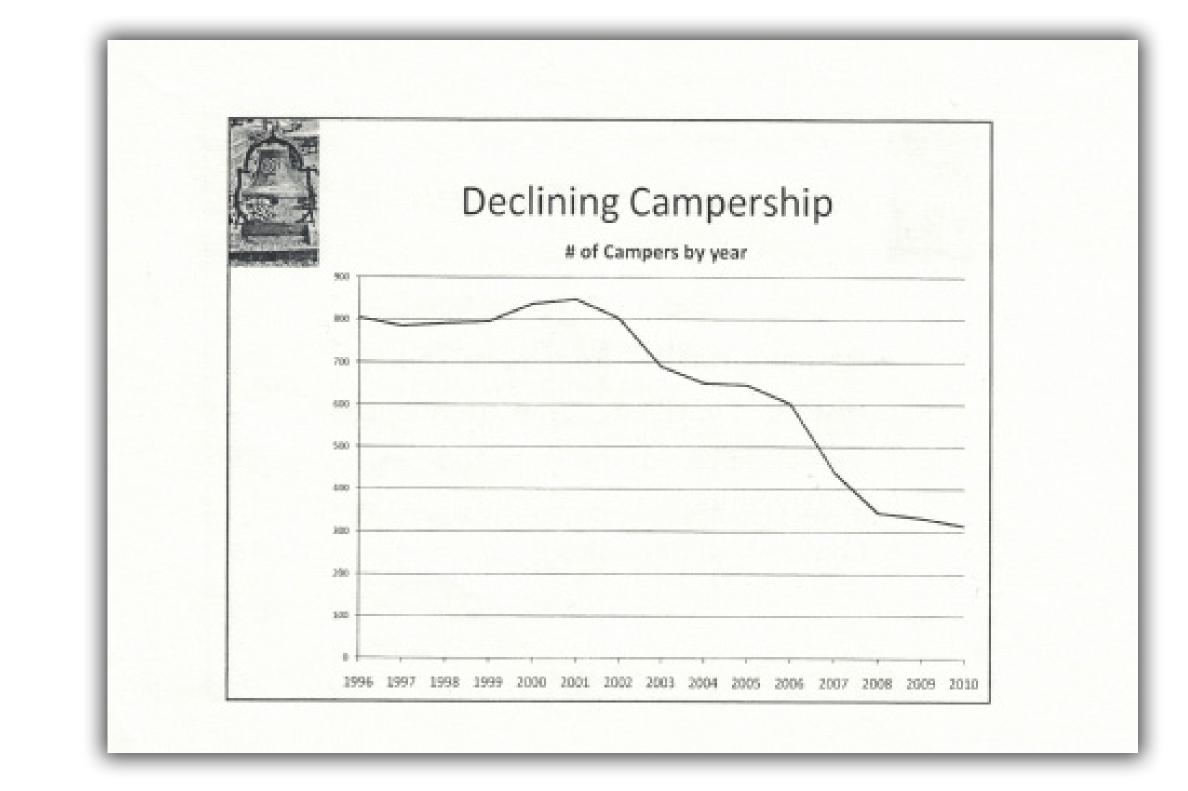


In July of 2018 ECC captured a photo of the four camps that were running concurrently: Teen Camp, City Camp Providence, City Camp Woonsocket, and Little Explorers.

In 2011, the ECC Board called a Town Hall Meeting for the alumni of ECC. After the economic downturn in 2008, and the closing of several churches in the diocese, there was concern that the diocese could not continue to maintain its financial support for the camp. The meeting was an effort to inform and engage alumni, and to brainstorm ways to ensure the future of the camp. The barn was standing room only, and several ideas were born

from the meeting.





■ The presentation at the Town Hall meeting including several sobering statistics, including this chart which showed the decline in camper enrollment over the pervious ten years.

This chart makes clear that the sharp decline began just after 2001, when overnight camps everywhere felt the effects of 9/11.



In 2014 a new program was introduced to ECC. Bridge Camp is an integrated camp program for campers with special needs. High school aged campers serve as "helper" campers and make sure that the Bridge Campers have a positive camp experience. The end result is a magical camp program for all involved.