



Koinonia Retreat and Conference Center  
7768 Pilger Avenue NW  
South Haven, MN 55382  
888.801.7746  
Web Site [www.koinoniaretreatcenter.org](http://www.koinoniaretreatcenter.org)

### What is Koinonia?

Koinonia Retreat Center is a hospitality ministry of the Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Koinonia is located 120 acres on the north end of Lake Sylvia in west central Wright County. The Koinonia property consists of Lake Sylvia shoreline, native prairie and Minnesota Big Woods. Even the casual observer will be amazed at the variety of wild life that they will observe.

Koinonia offers dining, lodging, and meeting accommodations for individuals and groups of up to 120 people. All beds at Koinonia are single (not bunk beds).

Special diets can be arranged for by contacting Koinonia staff prior to your arrival.

### How to get to Koinonia

**From the Twin Cities:** Travel west on State Highway 55 to 2.5 miles beyond Annandale, MN. Turn left (south) at County Road 3. Go south on Co. Rd. 3 four-tenths (.4) of a mile and turn right (west) on 80th Street. Proceed one mile, turn left (south) on Pilger Avenue, and continue two-tenths of a mile to the Koinonia entrance.

**From St. Cloud:** Travel south from St Cloud on Minnesota 15 to Kimball, turn left in Kimball (at the stop sign) on to State Highway 55. Travel east on Highway 55 approximately 7.5 miles to 2 miles east of South Haven. Go south on Co. Rd. 3 four-tenths (.4) of a mile and turn right (west) on 80th Street. Proceed one mile, turn left (south) on Pilger Avenue, and continue two-tenths of a mile to the Koinonia entrance.

### What Should I Bring to Koinonia?

In addition to clothes and toiletries appropriate for the season you can consider bringing the following to enhance your stay with us at Koinonia Retreat Center:

- A swimming suit and towel for the beach or sauna
- Comfortable walking shoes to help you enjoy the many hiking paths
- A camera and notepad to document your stay
- A Bird or Wild Flower guide, limited copies are available at the host office
- A Journal for later reflection
- A fishing license (Lake Sylvia is a great walleye and pan fish lake)
- Clothing for recreation – volleyball, broomball, basketball, baseball, football, hiking, swimming, fishing, and nature walks.
- Check with your group leader if you will need to bring bedding, bed linens are provided by Koinonia at the group leader's request.

### Emergency Contact Information

You may contact a guest at Koinonia by calling 888.801.7746 between the hours of 8 AM and 8 PM. Please leave a message and it will be delivered to the intended recipient or Retreat Group Leader as quickly as possible.

In an after hours emergency a Koinonia Guest may be contacted by calling the Koinonia Property Manager at 320-236-3272 or 320-282-4969 or by calling the Koinonia General Manager at 320-275-6164.

We can be contacted by e-mail via: [kevind@lakedalelink.net](mailto:kevind@lakedalelink.net)