

NEWS



NEW MEMBER CLASSES BEGIN AGAIN IN FEBRUARY!

Our Chisago Lake Lutheran Family has been rapidly growing over the past year and if you are interested in becoming a more active and integral part of our family in faith, we invite you to join us for our next round of New Member classes (Three total) on Sunday, February 18 and 25 and again on March 3 from 10:15-11:15 am in the Green Room each Sunday morning. Contact the Church Office at 651-257-6300 or at office @chisagolakelutheran.org if interested. Pastor Brian leads each of these informal, fun, and engaging classes! 😊

JOIN US FOR OUR CELEBRATION OF MISSION AND MINISTRY (Known as the Annual Meeting) SUNDAY, JANUARY 28. Join us as we celebrate and give thanks for our 170th year of mission and ministry here at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church, immediately following worship on Sunday, January 28 in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM. Come see what God has done through CLLC over the past year and help chart the next chapter as we elect new leaders for the Church Council and our various ministry committees/teams. We invite everyone to "Come and See" the "New thing" God is doing in our midst in this next season of mission and ministry. Swedish sweets will be provided.

ANNUAL BUDGET: On **Sunday, January 21, 2024**, there will be a discussion of the Annual Budget for 2024 **after the 9:00 Church Service**. The Annual Budget will be approved at the Annual Meeting on January 28, 2024.

SEEKING CANTORS & MUSICIANS!! Looking for persons to share their musical talents during worship! This includes leading the congregation in singing and/or sharing other musical talents instrumentally. All ages are welcome to participate! Contact Myrna: mwesten7@yahoo.com or the office if interested!



Would you like to be part of a CHIME CHOIR?

A chime choir is like a bell choir. CLLC has a set of beautiful hand chimes that should get heard more often! The commitment is low, we'd meet for few rehearsals in Feb and March to prepare 2-3 special music pieces for Palm Sunday or Easter. No special skills or talents required; we'll learn as a group. If interested, please contact Rod Strenke (email: rod.strenke@gmail.com phone: 651-442-1748) or Myrna Westen.

MICHILU FAT TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Back by popular demand, join us for the Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper on **Tues, Feb.13th** at Chisago Lake Lutheran Church! This event is hosted by MiChiLu (Middle Chisago Lutherans). Dinner is served from **4-7pm**. Live music and crafts for kids! Join the fun!

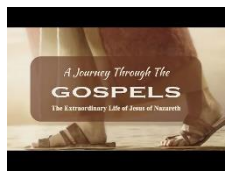
The January-April Gather Bible Study "Scripture and Nature: Teachers of Faith. **Faith Circle** meets at a member's home on **January 16 at 1:00pm**. Contact is Judy Nelson at 651-257-1788. **Glory Circle** meets at church on **Jan 23 from 1:30-3pm**. Contact Nancy Schoon at 651-303-9648.

THE CLLC BOOK GROUP will meet on **January 23 at 7 pm via zoom**. We meet via zoom because we have members who don't live in our area. One member lives in Seattle, WA and one member is in Minneapolis. If you'd like the zoom link contact Bonnie Anderson at 651-257-2467. We welcome anyone interested to join us.



We will meet to discuss the book, **How To Be Black** by Baratunde Thurston.

Baratunde Thurston is a futurist comedian, writer, and cultural critic. You may have seen him on PBS where he narrates the show "America Outdoors with Baratunde Thurston."



A JOURNEY THROUGH THE GOSPELS: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF JESUS OF NAZARETH

Join Pastor Brian and others in the Green Room as we take a deep dive look at the accounts of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth and why it is that over 1/3 of all people on earth claim to be followers of Jesus as the unique incarnation of God.

We will explore the history, geography, archeology and theological impact of Jesus. In addition to studying the biblical accounts of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, we will be using a variety of materials including, the Drive Thru History series on the Gospels as well as material from the Bible Project. You won't want to miss this compelling and fast-paced look at Jesus. Invite your friends and make plans now to attend!

Men's/Women's Bible Study! Want to go deeper? Join Pastor Brian each **Monday at Noon in the Green Room**. Each week we will be taking a sneak peek at the readings for the following Sunday. This is an informal gathering to delve deeper into the upcoming readings for the next Sunday. Feel free to join us for your lunch break and bring your lunch!

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY

Faith Formation

- **Sunday School:** Classes are Sundays following worship, at **10:15am** for children from 3 years old to 5th grade. Anyone is welcome to join in fun and learning! We meet in the classrooms in the "Kid's Zone" downstairs. For more information contact Stacy.

LORD'S PRAYER MILESTONE: First and Second Grade Sunday School students are working on learning the Lord's Prayer this Sunday and next Sunday. They will share by leading us in the Lord's Prayer next Sunday, the 21st during worship!

PRAY AND PLAY DAY - Monday, January 15, 2024

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Registration starts at 8:30 am.

~4-year-olds thru Grade 5~ This event will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Chisago City and is a collaborative effort of our area Lutheran churches. Registration is due by Wednesday, January 11 and a **\$5 fee** will go as a donation for God's Global Barnyard!

We are grateful for a Thrivent member helping us out!

Talk to Stacy for more information and registration forms.