

Chain of Lakes



CHURCH

A New Presbyterian Church forming in the North Metro

Worship Location:

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(Lino Lakes Senior Center)

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It's **“Fat Tuesday”** on
Sunday, March 6th
9:00 a.m.

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Pancake Day!

You are invited to bring family and friends for the first ever “Fat Tuesday” celebration. The menu will consist of pancakes, bacon/sausage, OJ, coffee, and more. There will be music and several “pancake” games. Mark your calendars and join us for a fun time before we enter the season of Lent.

Notes from Pastor Paul



For the first time at Chain of Lakes we will be offering ministries during Lent this year. I encourage everyone to come to Ash Wednesday worship on Wednesday, March 9 starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. This will be an Ash Wednesday service that is completely different from what people normally experience. Usually on Ash

Wednesday people talk about their own sinfulness and their own mortality. Traditionally when people receive ashes on their head at a service, someone will say the words, "From dust you came from dust you will return."

During worship on Ash Wednesday we will talk about starting a journey. We will sing songs that describe that journey, I will give a talk about starting a journey, we will break into groups and have conversation about what people can do to share God's love during Lent, and we will write on cards our own hopes for Lent. This will be an uplifting way to start Lent. Child care will be provided.

Starting Wednesday, March 30 we will eat, worship, and have small groups. Starting at 6:00 p.m. we will enjoy a simple meal. At 6:30 we will sing together. We will then watch a video called "The Me I want to be." This video series was done by Rev. John Ortberg who is the pastor of Menlo Park Presbyterian Church in Menlo Park, California. This video series will offer ways that each of us can flourish in the way that fits us and fits what God wants for us. When the video is done we will break into small groups. Children will have their own educational ministry taking place while we watch the video and break into small groups. Joanne Shingledecker is organizing this. We anticipate being done by 7:30 p.m. This video series is an outstanding way to grow in faith during Lent.

Question & Answer Time with Doug Cushing

Doug Cushing is the coach of Chain of lakes Church. He will be making a coaching visit to Chain of Lakes on March 22 to 24. As part of that visit he is going to do a presentation for the people of Chain of Lakes Church. On Wednesday, March 23 we will gather to share a meal, listen to a talk by Doug about the journey of being a new church, and then have a question and answer session afterwards.

During the talk we will hear successful strategies he used at starting a successful new Presbyterian church in South Carolina; listen to him about what other new churches are doing to be successful; hear what pitfalls are important to avoid in starting a new church. We can ask any question we want of Doug about starting a new church and about how we are doing at Chain of Lakes.

Child care will be available.

Steering Committee

At the February Steering Committee the Steering Committee:

- Heard a part of Pastor Paul's faith story
- Each Steering Committee participant will share part of their faith story at a recent meeting
- Heard a report on how Chain of Lakes is doing in reaching its Outreach Goal. As of the end of February we have received six new visitors in worship. Five of those visitors are still interested in connecting to Chain of Lakes
- Heard reports from the Property Task Force and Facilities Task Force
- Agreed to go on a Retreat together on Friday evening, April 15
- Authorized the Stewardship/Finance Team to develop a "Friends of Chain of Lakes" ministry
- Approved a Camp Scholarship appeal
- Discussed the purchase of a headset for Kellie Burriss and the purchase of a software design program
- Heard a report about Presbyterian partners

Worship Leadership

If a worship leader is unable to do a ministry on a Sunday morning, the Worship Team is asking the person to find a replacement and then let the church office know of the switch.

If you are interested in serving as a worship leader, please contact the church office or fill out the communication card during worship. A binder with position descriptions is available at the Hospitality Table in the worship center hallway.

Property Task Force

The Property Task Force is a team appointed by the Church Development Team of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area. The purpose of the Property Task Force is to acquire property for Chain of Lakes Church. The Task Force recently hired Langer Real Estate Services to assist in the property development.

This company will give analysis of different sites and all the site preparations work that will go into purchasing a site. People from Chain of Lakes serving on the Task Force are Bob Cuthill, John Ivers, Dave Nyberg, and Pastor Paul.



Facilities Task Force

The Facilities Task Force was appointed by the Steering Committee. The purpose of the Task Force is to:

- List the pros and cons of the Senior Center as our worship facility
- Identify criteria to help decide whether a facility would work for worship at Chain of Lakes Church
- Research other possible facilities in our geographical area
- Share a three-year plan for where we could worship until we are ready to build a worship facility on our own property
- Make a recommendation by the June 2011 Steering Committee meeting about where we should worship at Chain of Lakes

Currently the group is looking at the positives and negatives of other possible worship sites within our geographical area. Angelica Van Iperen is the chair of the group. Other participants of the team are Bob Cuthill, John Ivers, Ken Mc Cullen and Pastor Paul (staff).



Kids News



NOTE: There will be no Kids Choir on Sunday, March 6th and March 13th.

Kids Choir meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School

March 6 – Both classes will be hearing about a Lenten Offering from the Presbyterian Church – OGHS

Beginning March 13 both classes will be studying the events of Holy week;

March 13 – Mary Honors Jesus (The anointing of Jesus)
 March 20 – Palm Sunday (The children will be making a Palm Sunday banner to be used in worship)

March 27 – Jesus Teaches How to Serve Others (Foot Washing)

April 3 – The Last Supper

April 10 – Younger Elementary – Jesus Prays in the Garden;
 Older Elementary – The Trial of Jesus

April 17 – Jesus Lives (Easter story)

April 24 - NO Class (Easter Sunday)

Volunteer Musicians



Chain of Lakes Church is currently seeking volunteer musicians to lead music at our 10:30 a.m. Sunday services. We worship using a variety of styles of music, so your unique style and talents will be welcome here. We also welcome new members in our Kids' Choir, which meets Sundays at 9:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Kellie, our Music Director, at 612-702-5710 or music@colpres.org.

Child Care Provider



Do you know someone who might be interested in a permanent position as a Child Care Provider for Sunday mornings? Hours are 9:30—12:00. This person must be eighteen or older, have experience working with infants to 4 years old, and be able to pass a background check. Salary is \$30 per Sunday.

For more information or a detailed job description contact Joanne Shingledecker at 763-208-8049 or kidsministry@colpres.org.



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Chain of Lakes Church Purpose:

We are called to be an authentic, Christian community where:
Strangers become friends
Friends become disciples
Disciples impact the world.