

Keeping In Touch

February 15, 2017



Men
of the
Church!

Men's Steak Cookout

Thursday, February 23rd, 6:45 PM; Maxwell Hall;
Donations accepted.; Reservations appreciated;
Guests welcome. *Come to join us!*

Sunday, February 19, 2017

The Church at Lake Cherokee

10:00 AM Sunday School for All Ages
11:00 AM Morning Worship
12:00 PM Fellowship Meal
5:00 PM Kids Kount Youth Ministry

Welcome to

The Church at Lake Cherokee

Join us for Sunday School and Worship. Stay for a noon Fellowship Meal in Maxwell Hall.

Cleanup following Fellowship Meal is by members with last names begin with M-R.

Childcare is provided from Sunday School through the noon meal.

Especially we invite children and youth to participate in Kids Kount at 5:00 PM.



It's 'Dinner and a Movie,' for DOCK participants, 6:00 PM, February 20, Maxwell Hall. Come celebrate a Mardi Gras theme with the movie, "The Unsinkable Molly Brown." Please RSVP to Lori Hendrick so adequate preparations can be made, lori-hendrick@hotmail.com or call 903 235-8684.

DOCK Bible Studies: Tuesday evening, 6:00, with a light dinner ; Wednesday morning, 10:00., both in Maxwell Hall.

Spring Tuesday Evening Bible Study starts 6:00 PM, March 14th studying The Gospel of Mark with the study guide written by Lisa Harper.

Don't forget: DOCK is sponsoring a Road Trip April 24. It's a "Movie Outing" to Kilgore Theater. More information to follow.



Ash Wednesday will be observed Wednesday, March 1. at The Church at Lake Cherokee.

6:00 Pancake Dinner

7:00 Worship with optional Imposition of Ashes.

Small Group Ministry



If you're interested in getting involved in a small group, Bill and Laura Lea Blanks will be hosting a gathering Monday, March 27 at 7:00 PM in Maxwell Hall to share about the current small group options as well as creating a new small group.

Kids Kount

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Kid's Kount youth ministry meets Sunday evening, 5:00 to 7:00. Hope to see you THIS week! All are welcome!

Youth from The Church at Lake Cherokee will be among those attending CYF Mid Winter Rally this weekend, Friday until mid-morning Sunday.

Matters of Stewardship

Sunday, February 12, 2017

General Fund \$3,776.00

Backpack Program 25.00

Worship Attendance 136

Some say, "Give till it hurts." God recommends to give until there's joy. God loves a cheerful giver

Thoughts from the Tees...

What a day today! This week's article actually does come from the golf course. I spent the day with the golf team from East Texas Charter High School (Noah's school and team) at their first tournament of the season. There were many other teams and schools represented at the tournament as well. The usual things took place: kids playing golf and dealing with all of the challenges the course and their swing presented them, trying to post the lowest score possible, and of course trying to win individual and team titles. This is my second season helping the golf coach with the team and it's been an interesting experience. As you can imagine, there is a wide range in talent as some of these kids have been playing for years and have had professional instruction, while others have just started playing and have had little to no instruction. And with the wide range in talent comes a wide range in the scores, all of which get posted on the wall beside your name and the school you're representing for all to see. And here's the amazing thing I take away and share with you. You see it is one thing to stand before others and compete when you are good and you know you are good, especially if you are really good. You have confidence that comes from the hours of practice that you've put in, the instruction you've received so you know what you are trying to do, and the past performances you can draw from as well. And being an above average golfer myself, I really appreciate and respect those players. But the players I have the most appreciation and respect for are the ones who are not good, who know they are not good, but are still willing to put themselves out there to be on a team, represent their school, and try something new even if they at times look silly and get embarrassed in the process. You see, those kids possess a level of courage or maybe a disregard for how they are going to look to others that I think we as people of faith could use ourselves at times. Often times we don't share our faith, step up to serve, or make greater commitments in our faith lives, and we say it's because we don't know enough about the Bible, or we haven't been in the church long enough, or because I am not a good enough person. What we need to remind ourselves is that we don't have to be perfect for God to use us in a powerful way, we just have to be obedient to His calling and willing to serve in the ways He has gifted us. God has a long history of doing amazing things in this world using imperfect and flawed people just like us. So may you have the courage or disregard for how you're going to look as you represent the community of faith and Kingdom of God.



- Bill Blanks

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