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Please share this with anyone you think might be interested in joining us! You will be in my prayers. *In Our Savior's Name, Pastor Tim Graham*

News & Notes:

Baxter-First Baptist: Pastor Lee Peterson Installation Service
A special installation service will be held on Sun, Nov. 12 at 9 a.m.

MBA Ladies Retreat - April 12-13, 2024 in St. Cloud
Thinking Heavenward - with Amy Herbster



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MBA Men's Fall Fellowship, Nov 10-11

Cornerstone Baptist Church of Pine Island

Greetings on behalf of the Minnesota Baptist Association of Churches! This year we will continue to seek to be better at encouraging one another to walk with the Lord. The theme of the main speakers will be first, Pastor Joel Albright, *A Godly Man on Sunday*, focusing on how to prepare and participate in Sunday worship at the local church. The second speaker will be Pastor David Stertz, *A Godly Man Monday through Saturday*, focusing on finding our voice in sharing the gospel and living out a godly life throughout the week.

God willing, the grilled steaks will be back in full force! The cinnamon loaves as well! The schedule is hopefully open enough to allow for time for men to be with men and to fellowship with one another. Thus the meals and breaks have a generous time allotment.



Our church family was so blessed by your fellowship with us last year. We yearn to see you again! There is NO DEADLINE. If you have someone who wants to join us at the last minute, bring them! We will have extra food and can always find room for more. Side note: having them register on their phone while en route to our fellowship will still help us best prepare for the extra bodies. We will be monitoring registrations throughout our preparations. *continued on back*



Exalting Christ Among the Churches: *Chisago Lakes Ordains Pastor Gunderson*



Chisago Lakes Baptist Church is excited to announce the ordination of their pastor, Ben Gunderson. The ordination service was held on Sunday, October 22 at the church, with a large number of members and guests in attendance.

Pastor Ben Gunderson has been involved in ministry at Chisago for over 8 years, and has served in a variety of roles, including assistant/youth pastor, interim pastor, and lead pastor. He is a graduate of Central Baptist Theological Seminary and is passionate about preaching the Gospel and helping people grow in their faith.

The ordination service was a special time of celebration for the church, as they affirmed Pastor Gunderson's fitness for ministry. The service included a charge to the candidate by Pastor Steve Brower, a charge to the congregation by Pastor Dave Stertz, testimonies from church members, and a prayer of dedication (pictured above). Pastor Gunderson also shared his own testimony and appreciation for the call to minister.

Chisago Lakes Baptist Church is committed to exalting God, equipping the saints, edifying one another, and evangelizing the lost. We gather each week to worship the one true God revealed in the Bible. We're grateful for the privilege He has given us to worship, live, and serve in our community.



The following are statements from the ordination council with respect to Pastor Gunderson's ordination:

"The council recommends that the church proceeds with ordination. With this recommendation, we express our high commendation for the candidate's presentation and defense of his doctrinal statement."

"The council thanks the church for its kind invitation and hospitality of this occasion today."

Present at the council convened on Saturday, October 21 were:

Dr. Jon Pratt (Moderator), Pastor Joel Albright (Clerk), Pastor Steve Brower, Pastor Craig Muri, Dr. Kevin Bauder, Pastor Dan Mohler, Micah Tanis, Pastor Andrew Solarek, Pastor David Stertz, Pastor Chad Williams, Bernard Dodeler.

