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**LAKES AREA  
VINEYARD CHURCH**



**Small  
Groups**

Winter 2017

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### Pancakes and Prayer

2nd through 4th graders are welcome to join a Bible study on the 1st Saturday of each month led by Bella. Pancakes provided. Parents are welcome to enjoy a hot cup of coffee by the fireplace on the porch while the kids have small group.

Starting February 4  
10-11 am  
10945 280th Ave, Detroit Lakes

**Jennie &  
Bella Ward**  
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painterward@gmail.com



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### Men's Breakfast

Come join us as we spend time over breakfast building friendship, growing in our understanding of who God is and praying for one another. Boys 14 years old and older are welcome to attend with an adult. Meeting 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month.

Starting February 4  
8-10 am  
LAVC - DL Campus  
Mansfield's Book of Manly Men by Stephen Mansfield  
Available at LAVC Bookstore

**Todd Mattson**  
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toddmattson@outlook.com





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### When Heaven Invades Earth

Do you want a wimpy spiritual life with no power? Is Christianity just a mental concept to you, and you want to keep it that way? Then don't join this group! However, if you've ever wanted to live and walk in the supernatural power of God, here's your chance! If you're not experiencing daily miracles, you're living far below your birthright. By laying a carefully constructed biblical foundation for walking in the extraordinary power of God, When Heaven Invades Earth is a practical guide to a life of miracles!

Starting February 4  
9:30-11:30 am

12554 Carow Circle, Frazee

When Heaven Invades Earth by Bill Johnson

Available at LAVC Bookstore

Childcare provided



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Kendra Mohn  
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kajobike@arvig.net

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### You & Me Forever

In You & Me Forever, Francis Chan and his wife Lisa address the question that many couples wonder at the altar: "How do I have a great marriage?" Setting aside typical topics on marriage, Francis and Lisa dive into Scripture to understand what it means to have a relationship that satisfies the deepest parts of our souls.

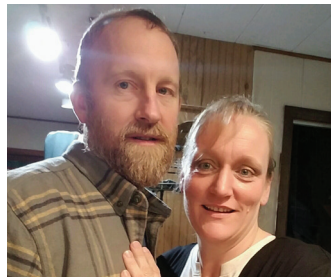
Starting February 4  
7 pm

35391 Co Hwy 41, Dent

You & Me Forever by Francis & Lisa Chan

Available at LAVC Bookstore

Childcare provided



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## Dear LAVC Family,

Some of us are caught in a hurried life, constantly on-the-go. Adding another commitment feels impossible. But what if what you're really missing out on is true connection and fun? Check out our activity-based small groups—they're tailor-made for folks like you.

Some of us feel stuck where we're at. What does it mean to be a disciple and to make disciples? If you're looking for more in your relationship with God and His people, I want to invite you to join a study- or outreach-based group, where you can connect with others who are asking similar questions.

So take a look at the different group options and ask yourself, what do I need in order to walk more closely with Jesus?



**Study-based** — groups focused on spiritual growth through teaching, worship and prayer



**Activity-based** — groups focused on friendship through fellowship and common interest



**Outreach-based** — groups focused on mission through service together

I pray that God would use these small groups to bring us into deeper intimacy with Him and the abundant life He's promised us through Jesus.

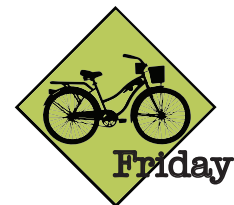
Love,  
**Bailey Richardson**



## How to use this guide to connect to the right group for you:

- 1** Ask God if there's a specific group He'd like you to consider.
- 2** Flip through the following pages to familiarize yourself with all the different options for small groups this Winter.

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#### Fit for God Health Group

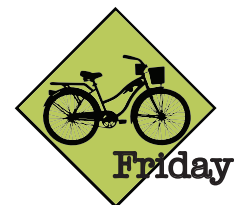
This group will be meeting every 3rd Friday of the month to learn, encourage each other, and pray together. Each month we will have a different topic such as wise shopping selections, easy recipes, and will learn to prepare easy snacks or sides to share. Most of all we will discover God's truth for our health through our identity in Christ. Come and learn how to be fit for God's Kingdom work!

Starting February 17  
5 pm  
LAVC - PR Campus



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#### The Daniel Plan

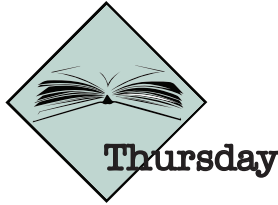
The Daniel Plan: 40 Days to a Healthier Life by Rick Warren, Dr. Daniel Amen, and Dr. Mark Hyman is far more than a diet plan. It is an appetizing approach to achieving a healthy lifestyle where people are encouraged to get healthier together by optimizing these five Life Essentials: Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus and Friends. We'll spend some evenings in prayer, reflection, and discussion, but other evenings will be spent practicing what we've learned. Whether it's cooking a healthy meal or going on a hike together, we get to live out a healthy lifestyle surrounded by good friends!

Starting February 3  
7-8:30 pm  
26035 Ottoson Trail, Detroit Lakes  
The Daniel Plan by Rick Warren - \$10  
Available at LAVC Bookstore



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### New Testament Study

Are you interested in applying valuable life lessons from the New Testament to your everyday life? Then bring your Bible and come journey with us through some of the New Testament with an open heart to receive all that God has in store for us.

Starting February 2  
7 pm  
LAVC - PR Campus



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Nona Iverson  
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nonamiverson@gmail.com

# 3

Once you find one that works for your schedule, register using the registration card found in the Sunday morning program or at the small group table in the LAVC lobby.

We recommend registering for your top two group choices as there are times when some groups fill up and you'll need to have a backup.

# 4

Once your registration is received, we will ensure you're placed in your top choice group as long as space allows. Groups are filled on a "first come first served" basis. If for some reason your top group is full, you'll then be placed in your second group choice. We will call or email you within a week of your registration to confirm with you and talk through any questions you might have.

# 5

As always, if you have any questions about the process or would like help deciding what group would work best for you please call or email...

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### Family, Food & Fellowship

Let's get together every other Friday evening and embrace the chaos of family life! Bring a side dish to pass and we'll provide the main course for dinner, and after we'll hang out and have family activities. Kids are welcome!

Starting February 3  
6-8 pm  
49902 Co Hwy 31, Detroit Lakes



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**MISSION:**  
**DISCIPLE MAKING**  
**Matthew 28:18-20**

**HOW?**  
**EXPERIENCE**  
**GROW GOD**  
**IN LOVE**  
**GIVE**  
**IT AWAY**

- Attend LAVC Services Regularly
- welcome! dessert!
- Vineyard Kids
- Vineyard Youth
- Encounter
- Prayer MINISTRY

Now Serving



**Outreach & Giving**

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Thursday

Let's Get REAL!

R – relationships E – encouragement A – activities L – laughter. You are invited to join us at our home for fun activities, to build relationships, to share experiences, to encourage one another and to have a lot of fun as we journey through the joys and challenges of life together. Hebrews 10:24-25 (NLT): Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

Starting February 2  
 6-8 pm

15256 E. Little Cormorant Road, Audubon



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 Knudsvig  
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 lake\_fun@hotmail.com

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Thursday

Love Thy Neighborhood

Jesus said "Love your neighbor as yourself," but are we loving our literal neighbors? Many of us never see or interact with those living around us, but it could be through those very relationships that God wants to bless and grow us. We'll meet for a potluck on the 1st and 3rd Mondays to share stories of how we've seen God work through our relationships with our neighbors, and on the 2nd and 4th Mondays we'll do our own individual "outreaches" to get to know our neighbors.

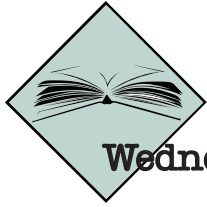
Starting February 2  
 6-7:30 pm

1125 Lincoln Ave, Detroit Lakes  
 The Art of Neighboring  
 by Jay Pathak & Dave Runyon  
 Available at LAVC Bookstore



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**All The Places To Go**

Very rarely in the Bible does God command someone to “stay.” He opens a door and then he invites us to walk through it—into the unknown. How we choose to respond will ultimately determine the life we live and the person we become. In *All the Places To Go... How Will You Know?*, bestselling author John Ortberg opens our eyes to the countless doors God places before us every day, teaches us how to recognize them, and gives us the encouragement to step out in faith and embrace all of the extraordinary opportunities that await.



Starting February 1  
6:30-8:30 pm  
19273 Echo Ridge Dr., Nevis  
All the Places to Go by John Ortberg  
Available at LAVC Bookstore

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**Wednesday**

Kevin & Janna  
Ballard  
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**Adults Night Out**

Beat the midweek slump by coming out for a night with friends! We'll meet at the church every other Wednesday and do something different each time—games, movie, dinner. Also conveniently timed during youth group for parents who want to connect with others while their kids are at the church.



Starting February 4  
6:45-8:30 pm  
Meet at LAVC - DL Campus

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**Sunday**

**Winter Outdoor Adventures**

Hiking, Snowshoeing, or Cross-country Skiing - If you love to be outdoors in the winter join us. We will meet Sunday, Feb 5th, 2PM at Tamarac to hit the first trail. Furry friends welcome!

Starting February 5  
2-4 pm  
Hiking locations will vary



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**Monday**

**Young Adults**

A group of young adults building authentic relationships! It doesn't matter where you're at in your spiritual journey—whether you're still questioning things or you've got a solid foundation—we all need a community of people we can talk to and have fun with! Activities vary each week. Come as you are and invite your friends.

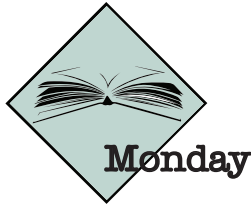
Starting January 30  
7-9 pm  
918 1/2 Washington Ave #1, Detroit Lakes



Jacob &  
Jessica Ramsey  
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jessicadvera@gmail.com



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**Monday**

**Women's Study - 5 Habits Of A Woman Who Doesn't Quit**

Every woman will eventually face it: the temptation to give in and give up. But something transformative happens when a woman decides to persevere in the face of difficulty and pain. A woman who refuses to quit influences her world in ways she could never have imagined. Unfolding over 6 sessions, Nicki Koziarz walks women through the Book of Ruth, focusing on the Moabite woman's 5 practical habits that kept her eyes on God: Ruth accepted the assignment of refinement, followed through on her commitments despite her feelings, remained open to the movement of God, gave others what she needed, and moved forward in faith.

Starting January 30  
 9-11 am

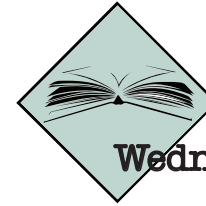
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5 Habits Of A Woman Who Doesn't Quit Bible Study Book  
 by Nicki Koziarz  
 Available at LAVC Bookstore  
 Childcare provided



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**Wednesday**

**The Letter to the Hebrews (Part 2)**

We are living in a difficult and challenging time. As problems and public opinion swell around us, our faith is often challenged and seems unproductive. We may be tempted to say, "What's the use - does my faith really make a difference?" The Hebrews experienced the same thing. Hebrews presents a clear, stirring, and plain-speaking message that we need to be reminded of today. In this weekly study of the book of Hebrews you will find encouragement and strength to "fix your eyes on Jesus," and remain strong in your faith. Even if you were unable to attend Hebrews Part 1, it will be easy to join us for Part 2 because it's partaking in the Word of God.

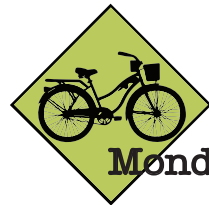
Starting February 1  
 6:30-8:30 pm

444 Dead Shot Circle, Detroit Lakes



**Barry & Terry Lane**(701)  
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 TerryLLane@gmail.com

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**Monday**

**InJOY**

God speaks to every one of us—we need to give Him some of our time to listen. This is time devoted to grow closer to Him through listening and creatively expressing His love for you through things like prayer, painting, worship, writing, drawing, laughing, and sharing. 1 Peter 4:10: Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

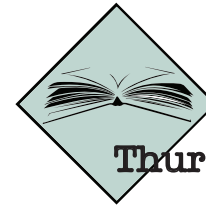
Starting January 30  
 10 AM

LAVC - DL Campus, Youth Building  
 No cost, art supplies will be provided



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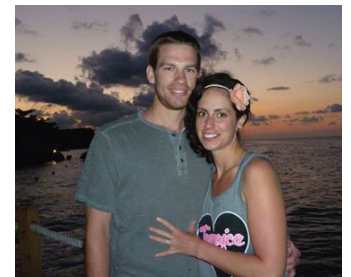
**Thursday**

**Married Couples**

We will be going through Making Good Habits, Breaking Bad Habits by Joyce Meyer. In this book, Joyce Meyer explains how to develop good habits--the things you really want to do--and break the bad ones, putting an end to frustration, discouragement and stress that drains your energy.

Starting February 2  
 7:30-9 pm

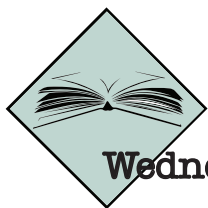
28169 Meadow Drive, Detroit Lakes Making Good Habits, Breaking Bad Habits  
 by Joyce Meyer  
 Available at LAVC Bookstore



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 ls\_09@hotmail.com



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**Wednesday**

**Youth Group**

We want our youth to experience the adventure of following Jesus together and that's why we've created a space where they can connect with God and others. Open to Jr. High and Sr. High.

Starting January 11  
7-8:30 pm

6-8:30 pm Jr. High, 6:30-9 pm Sr. High  
LAVC - DL Campus

- Bowling - January 27
- Movie Night - March 31
- Ministry Night - April 5
- Lock-In - April 28

Mitch Knudsvig  
Eric Ashcraft  
Steve Braukmann  
John Swenson  
Cassie Wahl  
Nicole Gervais  
Annie Schneider  
Bailey Richardson  
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**Monday**

**Men's Group**

Gathering guys who want real, honest, accountable friendships.

Starting January 31  
6:30 pm

38497 State Hwy 34, Height-Of-Land Area

**John Arras**  
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**Tuesday**

**Game Night at the Farm**

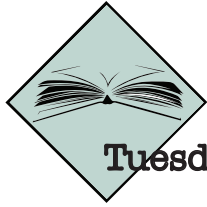
We'll meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month for fellowship, geeky games, and appetizers.

Starting February 7  
7-9 pm  
20815 Deroxe Road, Detroit Lakes

**Adam & Chelsea  
Neuerburg**  
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**Tuesday**

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De Souza**  
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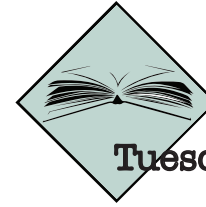
**A Place at the Table**

In a culture built on consumption--especially of food--it is easy to forget the poor that Jesus cared so much about. Following the pattern of his successful Advent Conspiracy, Chris Seay invites readers on a journey of self-examination, discipline, and renewed focus on Jesus that will change their lives forever. The eight-week session DVD, shot in such locations as the Holy Land, Haiti, and Ecuador, will help us go on a passionate journey of radical faith, personal action, solidarity with the poor, and extravagant grace.

Starting February 4  
6:30-8 pm  
LAVC - DL Campus  
A Place at the Table by Chris Seay  
Available at LAVC Bookstore  
Childcare provided



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**Tuesday**

**Keep Your Love On**

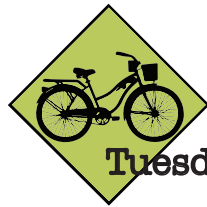
You will find fresh understanding of how powerful you are in forming connections with others. You will learn how to keep your love on no matter what other people choose to do. This study will help you find hope and healing, be able to give that love away to those around you!

Starting January 31  
6:30 PM  
LAVC - PR Campus  
Keep Your Love On by Danny Silk  
Available at LAVC Bookstore



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Deb Rogers**  
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**Tuesday**

**Prayer Group**

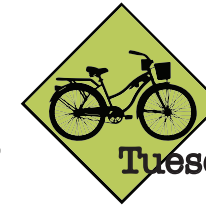
Each week we will have a brief teaching and then spend extensive time in prayer. This group is welcome to anyone wanting to give or receive prayer and is still open to those who don't register—"drop ins" are welcome!

Starting January 31  
6:30 PM  
2134 Shady Lane, Detroit Lakes



**Claryce Iverson**  
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**Tuesday**

**Men's Group**

This group will start out early meeting each week at the PR Campus. Join this unstructured, low key group that brings forth a desire to get to know each other, encourage one another and pray!

Starting January 31  
6:45-8 am  
LAVC - PR Campus



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