

Key Dates

Registration Due: May 4 with a \$100 deposit for 6th-8th grade participants. Full payments are due at the time of registration for youth leaders.

Important Note: The registration deadlines for participants and youth leaders are firm.

Sunday, June 7th after both the 8:30 and

the 10:00 masses Fundraising Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph Church — all congregations are invited. 6th-8th graders help in one hour shifts — sign up on the registration form.

Mon, June 1 or Tues, June 2

Information pickup and payment (\$80 balance due for participants-if applicable) for returning families of youth leaders and participants, 6:30-8:00 pm at St. Joseph of the Lakes.
Parent and Participant Orientation 7:30-8:00 pm at St. Joseph of the Lakes. Orientation is required for all new participant families who did not attend the Registration Kick off meeting in February.

Wednesday, June 10

Youth Leader Training: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (includes lunch) at Our Savior’s. Training is required for all Youth Leaders.

Activity Days

Wednesdays (8:15 am—4:00 pm for participants, 7:45 am-4:10 pm for leaders)

June 17, 24 & July 8, 15, 22, 29

Thursday, Aug. 6 is Valleyfair Day for all Metro Area Summer Stretch groups.

Check in at St. Joes.

Summer 2015 CASS

Congregations

Incarnation - Shoreview

4880 Hodgson Road, Shoreview
(Hwy. 49 near Chippewa Middle School)

Kristin Bloxham or Shawna Berg

651-484-7213

Living Waters - Lino Lakes

865 Birch St, Lino Lakes
(Birch St., past Rice Lake Elementary)

Laura Delventhal—651-447-0861

Our Savior’s - Circle Pines

9185 Lexington Ave. N., Circle Pines
(Lexington Ave., near McDonalds)

Nick Gilbert or Charisse Froemke

763-784-1971

St. Joseph of the Lakes -

Lino Lakes

171 Elm St, Lino Lakes
(Elm St., near Centennial Middle School)

Chloe Meyer—651-784-3015

Centennial Area Summer Stretch

Summer 2015

NEW!!

Because of some changes we are making for the 2015 summer we are having a Registration Kick Off & Informational Meeting on Thursday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. at Incarnation Lutheran Church.
All families who attend the informational meeting will receive \$10 off their registration fee(s)!

When and Where

Wednesdays, June 17, 24 &
July 8, 15, 22, 29
& Thursday, August 6
Churches take turns hosting CASS.

How Much?

- Participant Registration fee
\$100/ 3 weeks
- \$180/6 weeks
- Youth leader Registration fee
\$65/ 3 weeks
- \$100/ 6 weeks

Scholarships are available, contact your church's rep.

Registration

Participants (6th-8th graders): pick up a packet at a participating church. Complete the registration form and return it to your church with a \$100 non-refundable deposit. Checks may be made out to "Centennial Area Summer Stretch." Deadline: May 4. All payments made to CASS are non-refundable.

Youth leaders (9th-12th graders): Pick up a packet at a participating church. Complete the registration form and leader application. Return it to your church with your non-refundable registration fee (\$65/\$100). Checks may be made out to "Centennial Area Summer Stretch". Training is required for all youth leaders. See Key Dates for more information. Deadline: May 4

What Is It?

Centennial Area Summer Stretch (CASS) is a summer middle school ministry opportunity.

Who is it for?

Middle school youth (students in grades 6-8 during the 2014/15 school year) come together for worship, service in the community, and to have fun—all so that we grow as Jesus' disciples!

High school youth (students in grades 9 – 12 during the 2014/15 school year) grow in their faith as leaders by mentoring small groups and helping to engage others in ministry activities.

What does a day at CASS look like?

- 7:45 am Youth leaders gather morning meeting
- 8:15 am Participants check in at host church
- 8:30 am Large group worship
- 9:00 am Leave for different service sites
- 9:15-11:30 am Work at service sites
- 11:45 am Lunch (bring your own bag lunch)
- 12:00 pm Large group- God sightings, Bible study intro, afternoon announcements
- 12:20 pm Small group Bible study
- 12:45 pm Buses leave for afternoon activity
- 1:00 – 3:30 pm Afternoon activity
- 4:00 pm Participant pickup
- 4:00 pm Youth leader meeting
- 4:10 pm Youth leader pickup

How does it work?

Summer Stretch depends on volunteers. With hundreds of youth participating, each day requires 40 adults in the morning to drive and help a small group (6-8 participants) at a work site, and another ten adults to chaperone (with church leaders) in the afternoon. Adults from each participant family are required to volunteer for a minimum of 2 half days, youth leader families are encouraged to volunteer one half day (preferably mornings). Of course, adult volunteers are enthusiastically welcome to be present as often as they are able.

Key Adult Volunteers come each week and lead one specific area (e.g. assigning drivers, crafts in the parks, organizing cookies, etc.). Key volunteers' fees are waived for one participant or youth leader. Contact your church's representative.

NEW: 3 weeks or 6 weeks

Participants and Youth Leaders have the option to register for three weeks of Summer Stretch, plus Valleyfair or the traditional six weeks of Summer Stretch, plus Valleyfair. If you are registering for three weeks you must indicate which weeks you will be attending on your registration form. You will not be able to make changes to those weeks once the registration deadline passes for planning purposes.