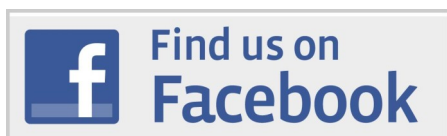


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John 17:20-24

²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world."

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches!

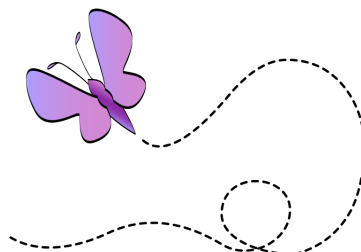
As I write this, I just returned from the Vex Robotics World Championship in Dallas, Texas. The event brings together hundreds of elementary through college teams from around the world for the largest robotics tournament ever. At the high school level alone, there were 800 teams. It was incredible to see all these teams from across the world. We met teams from every corner of the United States, Canada, China, Australia, and the UK; just to name a few.

One of the great things about the tournament is the great experience for the kids to meet so many different people from so many different places. At times, communication can be a challenge with language and cultural differences. At one point in the excitement of a match, our team and a team from China began yelling in their own language. They couldn't understand a word being yelled. All we could do was laugh. Although they didn't all speak the same language, the kids all spoke robot. There was something that brought them together. They had this shared love for technology, joy for engineering, and curiosity for science.

With our many differences that we have, language, cultural, national, political, racial, and ideological, it is important to remember what binds us together, a shared love in Christ. Together with Christ, we are made one. When we join with the whole church on earth, we remember that indeed it is the whole church on earth. We may live in a diverse world, but we do have something that binds us together, and that is our joy in God. Through our faith in Jesus Christ, we are bound together in the forgiveness, grace, and mercy of God. And we join in proclaiming that Good News.

Blessings!

Pastor Jeremy



Important Dates

May 3rd
Marshall Council

May 7th
Confirmation Sunday

May 14th
Mother's Day

May 17th
Little Cedar Council

May 21st
Senior Sunday

May 29th
Memorial Day

Mark Your Calendars to Congratulate our Students

Confirmation Sunday is May 7th

Little Cedar

Kaden Helgeson
Liliana Johnson
Nolan Kiefer
Justin Lagerstedt
Beau Sathre
Mya Walerak



Marshall

Brecken Kellogg
Lillian McKay
Alex Whipple

St. John's

Cameron Forthun

Senior Sunday is May 21st

Little Cedar
Gregory Crumb



Marshall

Trent Canterbury
Logan Fasbender
Chloe Whipple



Baccalaureate is May 21st

**at 4:00pm at
Sacred Heart**



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♥Prayers: Those known to have been hospitalized, ill or in need of prayers:

Curt Lewison ~ Connie Hatle ~ Al Fasbender

If you have a prayer request, please let the church office know.

Little Cedar Baptism:

Oliver Scott Bergene—April 23, 2023—Parents Nate & Justine

Marshall Baptisms:

Gideon Robert Grant & Delilah Jean Grant—April 23, 2023—Parents Cory & Patricia

Little Cedar Funerals:

Beverly Bowers—April 21, 2023



Office Hours Are: Monday ~Tuesday ~Thursday ~ Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm
Wednesday from 11:00am to 6:00pm

Sunday Worship:

Little Cedar 9:00am

Marshall 10:30am

Sunday School:

September - May

Marshall 9:30am and Little Cedar 10:00am

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Daycare News



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Happy Spring! We have been keeping quite busy here at the daycare. We celebrated a couple birthdays, Easter and Earth Day. We learned how to put items "under", "on", "beside" and "inside" other objects. Our country was Japan that we made a book about. The letters of the month were U- for umbrella, V- for vase of flowers and volcano, W- for watermelon, whale and walrus. The kids made butterflies for our spring craft. For our easter project, we made an Easter bunny puppet. I taught the children how hot air balloons work, opposites front and back, importance of recycling and how to keep our earth clean. The numbers for the month of April were 17 and 18, the shape was Owen the Octagon and the color was yellow which we made a yellow chick that was hatching. There were a bunch of tractors that drove by one day. The kids LOVED watching them! It was perfect since our community helper was a farmer that we discussed. We have gone on so many walks and each time we pick up garbage around the town. We have stopped to read at the library by the sidewalk. Our projects are nearly completed from the grant we received. Thanks to everyone who has helped!! We appreciate you all!



Kate Wiste ~ Little Cedar Daycare Director



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♥Marshall Cause of the Month♥

May 2023

“United Way Backpack Program”



Please join us for a Community Bridal Shower

in honor of Ashley Smith,

Bride-to-be of Mark Gonnella.

Ashley is the daughter of

Mike and Nancy Smith.

*The shower will be Saturday May 20th at 10:00am in the Little Cedar Fellowship Hall
Ashley is registered at Target and Amazon*



As most of you may already know, it is time for Little Cedar to turn its attention towards replacing the boiler for heating the building. Little Cedar's current boiler is 60 years old and in need of replacement to reduce cost of upkeep, improve

reliability, and improve efficiency. At the special congregational meeting on March 5th, Little Cedar approved the replacement of the boiler at a cost of \$67,551. As a part of this approval, it was decided that \$30,000 would be raised by donations from the congregation, with the remaining \$37,551 coming from CDs that are set aside for projects such as these.

As a church we can do incredible ministry and make an impact on this community and beyond! We can't do that without you! We ask that you prayerfully consider what God is calling you to contribute above and beyond your usual giving to the church! Donations can be given by check or there is also the option of electronic giving by ← **PayPal or Venmo.**

Little Cedar Service Group #1

Chairs: Jan & Roger Weness and Kern & Lyndsey Hall

**We will no longer be listing emails and phone numbers in the Churchmouse. Contact the church office if you need to contact anyone.
We are trying to help reduce the SPAM calls and emails!

- Bruce & Mary Bergene
- Brian & Teresa Bergene
- Bryce & Kellie Nelson
- Mark & Lilly Sorenson
- Pat Sorenson
- Shari Wagner
- Bob & Marlene Hanson
- Craig & Lynn Helgenson
- Sarah & Kyle Mergen
- Justin & Lynnette Gerber
- Steve & Pam Bamrick
- Paige & Karsen Ulwelling



May 2023

Communion Clean-Up
May 7 & 21

Deliver Meals on Wheels
May 8 through 19

Coffee Hour
May 14, 21, & 28
(Not May 7—that is LYO)

Memorial Day Dinner
May 29

Serve any functions requested



Little Cedar Readers

May 7

John Logsdon

May 14

Micah & Adelyn

May 21

Tara Mandt

May 28

Millie Weness



Youth Worship Assistance

Little Cedar Senior High Coffee Hour

May 7th—Hill/Krull Family



LC High School Communion Helpers

May 7 — Cody

May 21 — Abby

Little Cedar Youth Sunday—May 14th

Ushers—Gregory & Coltan

Readers—Micah & Adelyn

Little Cedar Confirmation Church Assistants

*May 7—Greeter: Lauren, Communion: Lauren

*May 14—Usher: Kaden, Greeter: Nolan

*May 21—Usher: Liliana, Greeter: Beau, Communion: Justin



Marshall Confirmation Church Assistants

*May 7—Usher: Alyssa, Communion: James

*May 14—Usher: Brandt

*May 21—Usher: Alyssa

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

*May 7—Taya

*May 14—Addison

*May 21—Audrey

If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact Tara ASAP so she can make a switch.

May your roots go down deep into the soil of God's marvelous love;



and may you be able to feel and understand how long, how wide,

how deep, and how high His love really is;

and to experience this love for yourselves,

though it is so great that you will never see the end of it.

Ephesians 3:17-19

Youth & Education News

Little Cedar Sunday School News

Thanks for another great year students! We had a lot of fun learning about God.

Thank you to Sam Mueller, Ashlynn Mandt and Kate Wiste for helping me with Sunday School. I truly appreciate the help.

Marshall Sunday School News

Stay tuned as we wrap up another year!



7th & 8th Confirmation Schedule & Meals

Our last regular class is May 3rd. Be sure you have your 30 points and have finished up your Mentor packets. The meal on May 3rd is the Himebaugh family and Confirmation Sunday is May 7th.

Senior High Youth Group—We hope to meet this summer. Stay tuned.

Junior High Youth Group—We hope to meet this summer. Stay tuned.

Vacation Bible School is back! We will have a Food Truck Party the week of June 19th through the 23rd! This week is for students who are 5 (and planning to go to kindergarten) through students who have finished 5th Grade. We can't wait to spend some time with DJ Cupcake and study the verse **"Give us this day our daily bread." Matthew 6:11**



Registration closes on May 22nd but to be guaranteed a T-shirt, register by May 8th.

The cost is \$40 for one student, \$70 for two, \$95 for three, or family max of \$115. Cash or check due on June 19th.

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Minutes – Minutes – respectfully submitted by Amber Hanson, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink, President.
<p>Pastor Jeremy updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pastor Jeremy read a section from Matthew, Chapter 26 and opened with a prayer. ● Pastor Jeremy will put together a service for a few members to lead at both Little Cedar and Marshall as he will be out of town on April 30th. ● Congregation members have been going out to the nursing home to serve coffee and snacks, and it has been going well so far. ● There was a great turnout for Kid’s Club, with about 30 kids attending. ● Lilies will be arriving on Friday, and Ella will add watering them onto her task list for cleaning. ● Confirmation is scheduled for May 7th and Senior Sunday and Baccalaureate will be May 21st. Baccalaureate is tentatively scheduled to be held at Sacred Heart.
<p>Secretary and financial/treasurer’s reports were reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total offering for March \$6830.00/\$305.00 for the Cause of the Month. ● April Cause of the Month offering will be for Vacation Bible School. ● Next month – May Cause of the month – United Way (Backpack Program). <p>Motion to accept reports from Gary ---with second from Kevin. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tricia Kulow will reach out to D and E Carpets to see what date they will be coming to replace the flooring. ● May 14th will be the last day of Sunday School. ● The request from Little Cedar for an increase in rental amount and secretarial hours was discussed. Motion carried to accept the rent change as requested, raising the rent to \$200/month, retroactive to January 1st, 2023. Marshall Finance Committee will meet with Little Cedar Finance Committee to discuss the secretarial hours. ● Constitution was reviewed with a few changes that will be discussed at the congregational meeting on April 23rd.
<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A request came through to support a few members of our congregation to attend summer camps. Motion by Jan with a second by Gary to support any of our congregation members to attend a summer Christian camp for 50% of the cost, up to \$200.
Motion to adjourn from Kevin with second from Jan. Meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Darrell Gordon (T)	X	Jan Johnson (D)	X	Len Mensink (T)	X
Carie Hanson (treasurer)	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Gib Siemers (T)	NA
Kevin Hanson (T)	X	Gary Kulow (D)	X	Andrew Sprau (T)	X
Dale Himebaugh (financial secy)	X	Tricia Kulow (secy)	X	Kathy Voigt (D)	NA



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church Council met on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at 7:30pm.

Present: Lyndsey Hall, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Tara Mandt, Holly Meyer, Nancy Thalberg, Spencer Medgaarden, Bryce Nelson, Connie Sathre. Absent Jan Weness, Tracy Smith.

The meeting was called to order by co-chair, Spencer. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Devotions were given by Lynn.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Nancy, seconded by Holly to accept the March minutes as printed. Carried.

Financial Report: Lyndsey reviewed the report. Motion by John, seconded by Connie to accept the report as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-Building: The boiler should be installed in May. We need to fix the crack in the north sidewalk.

-Daycare: All the items have been ordered from the grant money. The staff is doing great.

-Education: First Communion went well. Sunday School will wrap up on April 30th. Confirmation is wrapping up and preparing for Confirmation Sunday, May 7th.

-Finance: The boiler check for partial payment has been sent.

-Life & Missions: The 80 and over dinner went great.

-Personnel: Al had surgery. Everyone is chipping in to keep things going while he recovers.

Pastor's Report: Tara will fill in for Pulpit Supply on April 30th when Pastor is gone. It will tie in nicely with Sunday School Sunday.

Old Business:

-Easter: The time change to 7am for Sunrise Service was nice. Will continue that time in the future.

-Marshall Rent: Rent from Marshall for use of building will increase from \$150 to \$200, retroactive to January 1st.

New Business:

-Credit Card: There was discussion that we should not use the debit card to make online purchases. A motion was made by John and seconded by Bryce to open a credit card at the Adams Bank with a credit limit of \$5,000. Carried.

-Food Shelf: The food shelf will give a monthly donation of \$100.

-Building Rental Fees: There was discussion on changing our building rental fees. Will discuss further in May.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:30pm. John will give devotions in May. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Tara Mandt

