



August 2017

Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



1 Corinthians 13:1-13

¹ If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷ It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹ For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰ but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³ And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.



Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches!!

This summer we have had two campfire worships, and will have another one on August 27th. It has been a wonderful time to join together in praising God. There is really nothing better than sitting outside worshipping, singing songs, hearing scripture, and offering prayers around a campfire. Thank you to those that have joined us at our campfire worship.

At our first campfire worship we talked about peace. A kind of peace that can only come from God. At our second we talked about hope. A kind of hope that comes from the assurance of what is to come. Even in the face of troubles, we know that in the end God will conquer over sin and death.

On August 27th, we will talk about love. We throw the word love around pretty easily. I love ice cream. I love fishing. I love my job. I love my children. Love has meaning on many different levels, and so at times the word love has lost its meaning in some ways.

I always turn to this reading from Corinthians when I want to ponder the love that God can give. It is patient, kind, bears all things, believes all things, endures all things. It is not envious, boastful, arrogant, rude, irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth.

I don't believe that this kind of love is anything that I can live up to. It is a tall order to fill. But I do know that this is a love that God can live up to. God's love is pure. It is unconditional. When everything else passes away, God's love will still remain.

Peace,

Pr. Jeremy

Important Dates

August 2nd
Marshall Council

August 16th
Little Cedar Council

August 27th
Camp Fire Worship



Campfire Worship



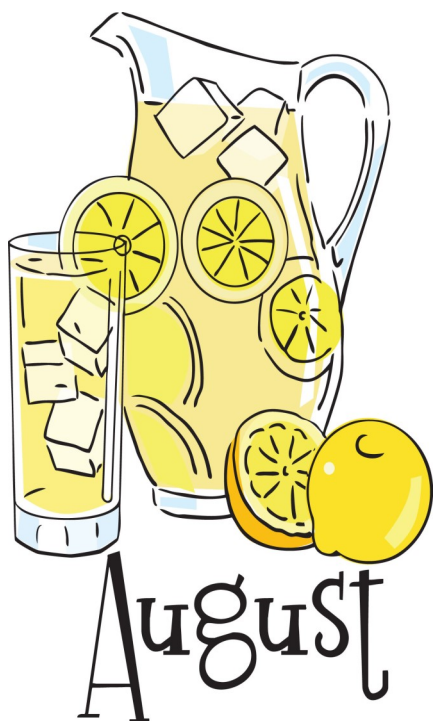
Join us on Sunday,
August 27th at
6:30pm for a campfire worship at
Little Cedar by the peace garden! It
will be a laid back service of camp-
fire songs, fellowship, prayer, and
fun for all ages. Please join us!
Don't forget to bring your
Lawn Chair!!

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

Jerry Matheis ~ Beverly Nordeng
Ramona Hanson ~ Norma Larson ~ Mary Ann Munson
Dan Morgan ~ Lillian Sprau ~ Bev Nordeng
Karen Kane & Raeann Kane (granddaughters of Curt & Geneva Hamil-
ton) Family of Steve Vangsness



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



Pop Can & Tabs Collection

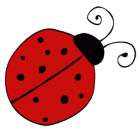
The next collection will be held on:
Sunday ~ August 20th
in the Little Cedar Parking Lot.

Office Hours Are: Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm

Sunday Worship: Little Cedar 9:00am Marshall 10:30am

Sunday School: September - May
Little Cedar 10:00am and Marshall 9:30am

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| Office Administrator | Kathy Voigt | kathyvoigt@frontiernet.net |
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August

Cause of the Month

Little Cedar

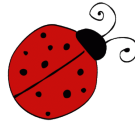
"Jerry Matheis Family"

August

Cause of the Month

Marshall

"Neighbor In Need"



**Pop Cans & Tabs Fundraiser
New Pick up Dates**

Thank you to all who brought in cans and tabs. Save your cans and tabs through the summer. Another collection will be 8-20-17 10-1-17.



Little Cedar Senior Choir

There are several folks that have expressed an interest in getting a choir together again. Please let the office know if you would like to be a part of this **group**, who will help organize and lead the choir as a **group** effort.

♥July Daycare News♥

We were able to have a few water days this month. I don't think the kids can get enough, they have so much fun! We haven't had much going on besides walks, trips to the park and watching the construction workers. We made wreaths out of handprints to display in our room with the Independence Day theme. Can't believe summer is almost over!



CARE MEALS



As a church we gather around in care and support for one another. One way that we can do that is by giving a meal to someone in a time of need; those in a health crisis, families with a newborn, and those in bereavement. So here is how it will work. Grab a foil pan from the narthex, fill it with something yummy that can be frozen and reheated in the oven, include baking instructions, and then bring it into the church office. The meals will then go into the freezer and when the time comes, we have volunteers who will deliver those meals to a family in need.

Cemetery News



Plans are to plant 4 new trees along the far east drive of the cemetery. Cost of a tree and its planting will be \$111.00 per tree. If you would like to purchase a tree please notify the church office (582-3185). Anyone willing to help with watering contact Nancy Thalberg (582-3300). Additional trees will be purchased in the future to complete a line of trees along the drive.



\$\$\$Little Cedar Financial Report\$\$\$

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| Beginning Balance 1/1/17 | \$ -2054.51 |
| Income | \$115,338.79 |
| Expenses | -\$104,771.54 |
| Balance 6/30/2017 | \$ 8,512.74 |

Service Group #1

Bruce & Mary Bergene Family (584-0908) Co-Chairperson

Bob & Marlene Hanson (251-6316) Co-Chairperson

Shari Wagner (440-1458)

Brian & Teresa Bergene Family (437-8663)

Bryce & Kellie Nelson Family (325-4535)

Russell & Karen Anderson (433-4846)

Brad & Beth Stadheim Family (433-3221)

Steve & Pam Bamrick Family (582-7787)

Sue Barnes Family (993-6022)

Dorothy Bergene (582-3259)

Ward & Lois Bergene (582-3523)

Deb Fasbender Family (582-7848)

Mary Finbraaten (582-3451)

Marjorie Bartholmey (582-3614)

Dorothy Triplett (582-3287)

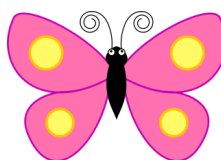
Kerry Webber (438-8625)

Gayle & Lavonne Bergstrom (437-3009)

Larry & Bev Bowers (440-1898)

Kevin Kelly (507-434-7646)

Isaac & Susan Ydstie (507) 923-0432



August

Communion Clean-up

August 6th & 20th

Coffee Hours

NONE

Deliver Meals on Wheels

August 7th thru 18th

Serve any functions requested

Your Chairperson or one of your Co-Chairpersons will contact you with information for your service group.

Head Usher for August

Bryce Nelson

507-325-4535

**Synodical Women's Organization Convention
September 16th @ St Olaf Lutheran in Austin, MN**

We have three great speakers lined up for the afternoon mini sessions at the SWO Convention this fall. Mower County Sheriff Terese Amazi will speak of "Child Abuse". Lieutenant Christina Bogojevic from the Minnesota State Patrol will talk about "Distracted Driving". Darrell Hildebrandt, the Crime Prevention Specialist from Rochester Police Department, will update us about "Scams". Plan to join us for the day as we learn more about these important topics.

Registration & Coffee: 7:45-8:45am Cost: \$25.00

Convention: 8:45-4:00pm

August Readers

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| August 6th | Jan Weness |
| August 13th | Cindy Jax |
| August 20th | Steve Schroeder |
| August 27th | Nancy Thalberg |

Quilters meet at Little Cedar

**Monday, August 7th
@ 1:00pm**

**Little Cedar Council Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2017**

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by vice chairman Joe Matheis. The mission statement was read in unison. Pastor Jeremy gave devotions. Present: Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Joe Matheis, Lahoma Retterath, Janet Stephenson, Nancy Thalberg, Shari Wagner, Jan Weness, Millie Weness, Susan Ydstie. Absent: Mike Lamp, Linda Logsdon, Sarah Mergen, Bryce Nelson, Dixie Rose, Steve Schroeder, Sherry Schotanus.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Nancy Thalberg, seconded by Lahoma Retterath that the secretary's report be accepted as printed. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Lahoma Retterath, seconded by Janet Stephenson that the treasurer's report be approved as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-Building: Joe reported that we need a new lawnmower. He will do some research on a purchase for next fall.

-Cemetery: The committee has an estimate for trees to be planted in the cemetery. They also have bids for replacement flag-poles bent by the wind.

-Youth: Vacation Bible School was reported to be a great success.

-Worship and Music: There will be campfire worship this Sunday, July 23.

Pastor's Report: Lutheran Social Services has announced that they are opening a financial counseling office in Rochester. They are requesting donations from congregations to furnish the offices.

-There was discussion on reimbursement to families sending children to Bible Camp. It was decided to keep reimbursement the same as it has been in the past.

-Motion by Nancy Thalberg, seconded by Jan Weness to approve the church's share of reimbursement to a family sending a child member to Camp Victory, a non-denominational camp in Zumbro Falls. Carried.

-Pastor Jeremy has been invited to attend The Institute of Rural Fellows Program for eight, two day meetings through the year. The program stresses rural Minnesota and ecumenical ministry. There is no cost to the congregation. The council recommended he attend.

-Motion by Lahoma Retterath, seconded by Shari Wagner that we allow Sandy Johnson to go from health care coverage at Sacred Heart back to coverage on Pastor Jeremy's policy at Little Cedar. There is a cost saving. Carried.

Outstanding Business: None

New Business: None

August devotions will be given by Jan Weness. The Matheis family is the Cause of the Month for August. Next council meeting is Wednesday, August 16 at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness Secretary
Little Cedar Church Council



Youth & Education News



Watch for continued Fundraiser details coming soon.
Our next payment of \$100 is due September 5th.
The trip is June 25th through July 2, 2018.



Hero Central Vacation Bible School was another huge success! We had 85 students and over 30 helpers! Thank you to everyone who donated items, money and/or prayed for our success. It was a great week learning that we are God's Heroes and we have heart, courage, wisdom, hope and power. **DO GOOD! SEEK PEACE AND GO AFTER IT! Psalm 34:14b**



Where has summer gone! Mark your Calendars!

Little Cedar Sunday School starts with Rally Sunday on September 10th

-Senior High LYO's first meeting is September 10th

-Junior High LYO's first meeting is September 17th

-6th, 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation Parent/Student meeting is September 13th at 7pm.

Confirmation classes start on September 20th. 6th Grade at 5pm and 7th & 8th Grade at 6pm.



We are excited to announce that we are starting Confirmation in 6th Grade. Watch for details!



Marshall Lutheran Church

July 12, 2017
Council meeting



Psalm 34, 1-3

I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.
I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.
Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.



Minutes – respectfully submitted, Dawn Kiefer, Marshall Council secretary.

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| Topics |
| Meeting was called to order by Gary Kulow |
| Pastor Jeremy - Note items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VBS theme – Hero Central: heart, courage, power, wisdom and hope. Daily lesson revolves around a biblical hero. “Do good, seek peace, go after it” • South Sudan Lutheran Center – Synod will be fund raising for guest speaker visits and events to share information regarding the birth of the Lutheran church in Sudan. • Synod office in Rochester has acquired space in the United Way building for financial planning services. Process of hiring staff currently underway. Offer to have a guest speaker come one Sunday in August for information sharing. Pastor Jeremy will inquire and confirm August date. • Working with Tara for activities/time to more fully include 6th grade students as they’re old for Sunday school and young for Confirmation. Propose an hour, at 5:00 p.m., Wednesdays prior to Confirmation. All middle schoolers could then have dinner together. Will likely trial to see what works best. |
| April secretary’s report was read, financial and treasurer’s reports were given. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total offering for May \$3905.00 • June Cause of the Month offering, for Southland Food Shelf - \$407.88 • David Gilderhus cemetery memorial noted. Larry moved to accept the reports; Craig offered a second. |
| Old Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Houston fund raising cookbook is in need of recipes; they can be sent to churchrecipes@hotmail.com Two more days to submit recipes. Currently have 300ish, would like ~ 500. • Forrest and Leif Himebaugh with Mike Hatle invested time and effort to address a sewer issue requiring work to be done. Group agrees that reimbursement of \$50 be given to each. Gary/Tricia will inquire with Dale as to any outstanding equipment costs. |
| New Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group discusses contracting of LP for the next year. Craig will inquire as to current cost and adjust contract if needed (if current pricing is cheaper). • Note that Adams 150th city celebration will take place in 2018 with Dairy Days. Consider having a presence in activities in some way. Stated that a food truck, as a fund raiser, may be an option. |
| Move to adjourn from Andrew with second from Craig, closing with The Lord’s Prayer. |

Members

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| Craig Hanson | X | Pastor Jeremy Johnson | X | Sarah McKay | O |
| Julie Hanson | X | Dawn Kiefer | X | Andrew Sprau | X |
| Forrest Himebaugh | O | Gary Kulow | O | Jerry Sprau | O |
| Gus Johnson | O | Tricia Kulow | X | Larry Underdahl | X |

X = Present O = Absent

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