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March 2019

Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Concerning Almsgiving

6 “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven.

2 “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 3 But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, 4 so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Concerning Prayer

5 “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 6 But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Concerning Fasting

16 “And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. 17 But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, 18 so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Concerning Treasures

19 “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches,

Our reading on Ash Wednesday is always from Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21. It speaks of three faith practices; praying, almsgiving, and fasting. We are instructed to NOT do these faith practices in public to receive recognition, but instead in secret so that we may be rewarded by God. Traditionally these are some of the faith practices that we focus on in Lent.

Over the centuries there have been quite the many faith practices that have been tried during Lent. Usually involving prayer, almsgiving, and fasting. Often times our faith practices during Lent are heavily influenced by culture and context. For example, now days a lot of faith practices have to do with technology. Many people may give up social media during Lent, or abstain from watching television.

My encouragement to you, is that you would make Lent a meaningful time for you. Make it a time in which you actively work to grow in a closer relationship to God. Do something that would help you to slow down and spend some time in God’s presence. Whatever that may be!!

Blessings during your Lenten Journey! *Pastor Jeremy*



Important Dates

March 6th

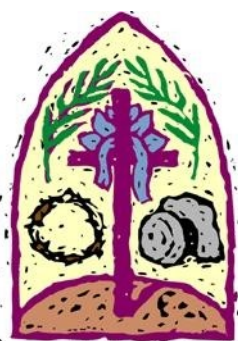
Ash Weds. @ Little Cedar

March 6th

Marshall Council Meeting

March 20th

Little Cedar Council Meeting



**Worship
Schedule
For Lent**

Lenten Schedule for March 2019

Ash Wednesday March 6th @ Little Cedar

Soup Supper @ 6pm and Worship @ 7pm

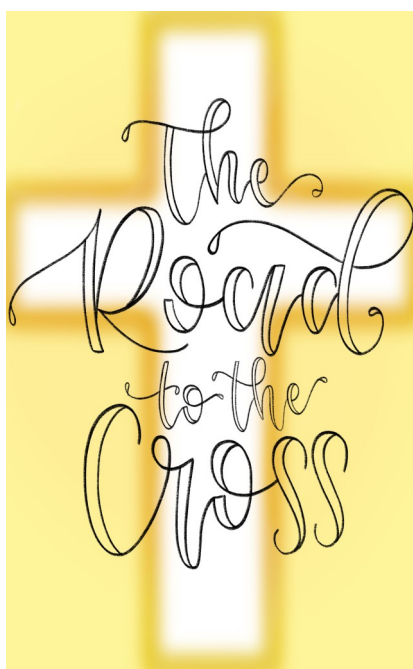
Lenten Worship Schedule

March 13th @ Marshall

March 20th @ Little Cedar

March 27th @ Marshall

Soup Supper @ 6pm and Worship @ 7pm



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

- Ramona Hanson ~ Curt Hamilton
- Alice Koball ~ Mary Finbraaten ~ Marcelle Voigt
- MaryAnn Munson ~ Dan Morgan ~ Mel Thome
- Brandi (Granddaughter of June Wolf)
- Karen Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)
- Dawn Weaver (Daughter of Neil & Judy Johnson)
- Linda Hendrickson (Kristina Matheis Mother)

Baptism's in February

LC ~ Paisley Sue Schotanus ~ Parents ~ Jake & Whitney Schotanus

Funerals in February

LC: Marilyn Thorstenson
 Virgil Elmo Bergene
 Lynn Merlon Lagerstedt

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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Daycare News February 2019



Daycare News

February consisted of SNOW! The kids haven't even gotten to enjoy it because it's super cold out. It was the month of LOVE! We met Hunter the Heart, learned the color pink, worked on counting to 10, opposites

empty and full, heavy and light. The kids had fun lifting different items to see if they were heavy or light. For Valentine's Day we had a party! The kids were really excited to make ninja and unicorn card holders out of milk jugs. They turned out cute! We have been so cooped up that we like to do a lot of exercise breaks. Hop like a frog, walk like a crab and stomp like an elephant, just to name a few. We are looking forward to spring with warmer temps. Maybe we will be lucky to get that in summer.

Kate Wiste, Director

Little Cedar Daycare



Lenten Adult Education Forum

There will be two Adult Education opportunities available during Lent. On Wednesday, March 20, Kathy Chatelaine will present on the global ministries within our synod. Kathy is an Assistant to the Bishop for Global Mission and our Companion Synods. She will be sharing about the great partnerships that the synod has in the world. And then on Wednesday, April 4, Rev. Emily Carson will present on AMMPARO and her recent border immersion experience. AMMPARO stands for "Accompanying Migrant Minors with Protection, Advocacy, Representation and Opportunities." Given the connections that we have to companion churches in Central America, it makes sense to work towards addressing and tackling some of the issues related to poverty and immigration. AMMPARO's primary concern is to make sure that vulnerable children are cared for and protected the best they can.

During Wednesday Lenten services we will once again be hosting a series of skits. This year's skits are titled "Good Morning Galilee!". Following the antics of Galilee's top-rated morning talk show.

Ronald McDonald House Donations

Hey it's time to start collecting your pop cans for donations for Ronald McDonald House in Rochester. With all the snow and building issues lately it has been decided to wait until sometime in April to have a wagon to deposit your cans. Please check your bulletins for an update of the exact date when it becomes available.

Thanks!!

Give Offering with your Phone!!!!


Want to help support the ministries of Little Cedar Lutheran Church as we live out our calling to the community and world, but don't have your wallet today? We've made it easy! Just scan the QR code to make a contribution using Paypal or your credit card right now!

Service Group #6

Name	Phone #1
Kerry Stroup Co-Chairperson	437-4329
Jon & Laura Stroup Co-Chairperson	438-8995
Mark & Lilly Sorenson Family	438-6354
Tracy & Angie Smith	440-1915 440-5404
Larry & Ann Tompkins	582-7743
John & Cindy Jax	582-7797
Nancy Thalberg	582-3300
Nancy Smith	582-7826
Al & Pat Sorenson	582-3223
Randy & Janet Stephenson	433-7582
LeRoy & Karen Swanson	582-3416
Marlo Thorstenson	582-3605
Randy & RoeAnn Voigt	582-7717
Gretchen Thome	
Mary Conroy	298-0229
Alec & Lydia Frank	460-2234
Brian & Sherry Schotanus	440-6163
Megan Emanuel	507-208-3031

Head Usher for March
 Jim Johnson 440-0617
 Chans Meyer 440-0403

Quilters meet at Little Cedar
Monday
March 4th @ 1:00pm



Readers

March 3rd	Bev Bowers
March 10th	Alizha Kappers & Hannah McMasters
March 17th	Jan Weness
March 24th	Lyn Meany
March 31st	June Wolf

March 2019
Communion Clean-Up
 March 3rd, 17th, 31st
Deliver Meals on Wheels
 March 1st
Coffee Hours
 March 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st
 Serve any functions requested

Cause of the Month for March
Little Cedar & Marshall
 "Personal Care Kits"
 Confirmation Service Project

March 6th Ash Wednesday Lenten Soups
 Along with Group #5 will need a total of
 14 large soups and 11 loaves of bread

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

CHRIST IN OUR HOME~
 The newest issue of devotionals is
 now available at both churches. Please
 pick up a copy for your family today.



Youth & Education News



The next **Senior High LYO** meeting is tentatively set for **sometime in March!** We seem to be having some bad luck this year!

February—Our February meeting was cancelled due to bad weather.

Junior High LYO

We hope to meet in March!



First Communion Class will be starting soon! Mark Your Calendars!

Here is the schedule:

Wednesday, March 6th @ Little Cedar

Wednesday, March 13th @ Marshall

Wednesday, March 20th @ Little Cedar

Wednesday, March 27th @ Marshall

Wednesday, April 3rd @ Little Cedar

Wednesday, April 10th @ **Little Cedar**

(church is at Marshall, but we make our Communion Bread)

First Communion is Sunday, April 14, 2019 (Palm Sunday)

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



Our students this year are: Little Cedar—Javier Cooley, Kaden Helgeson, Liliانا Johnson, Mabel Johnson, Nolan Kiefer, Justin Lagerstedt, Bianca Retterath, Beau Sathre, Mya Walerak and Kendra Helgeson and at Marshall—Brecken Kellogg, Lillian McKay and Alex Whipple



Confirmation Service Project

The Confirmation class and their mentors will be preparing "Personal Care Kits" for Lutheran World Relief in March.

Watch for items to donate soon!

CONFIRMATION NEWS

With Lent starting on March 6th, your schedules change a little. Watch for emails with details.

MENTOR NEWS

Remember to meet with your Mentors on one Wednesday night during Lent and make sure you have met with them on two Sunday's as well.

Marshall Church Assistants

- *March 3—**Jessie Hanson**
- *March 10—Julia Kiefer
- *March 17—**Chloe Whipple**
- *March 24—Trent Canterbury
- *March 31—**Logan Fasbender**

Little Cedar Church Assistants

- *March 3—U: Brad Lagerstedt G: Cody Krull
- *Communion Family—Cody Krull
- *March 10—U: Gavin Mergen G: Gregory Crumb
- *March 17—U: Coltan Bryan G: Matthais Anderson
- *Communion Family—Hope Stephens
- *March 24—U: Gavin Mergen G: Khlover Schulz
- *March 31—U:Cody Krull G: Riley Walerak

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

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

- *March 3—Micah Johnson
- *March 10—Abby Sorgatz
- *March 17—Adelyn Kiefer
- *March 24—Ella Johnson
- *March 31—Wyatt Krull



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

Little Cedar Youth Sunday is March 10th.

Readers are: Alizha Kappers & Hannah McMasters
Ushers are: Lydia Wik & Noah Lamp
If you are unable to be at church, contact Tara ASAP so she can make a switch.

Communion Helpers

- March 3—Kiyanna Meyer
- March 17—Kylie Poshusta

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



Little Cedar January Coffee Hour is February 3rd. The lead family is Mary & Sara Conroy. The youth helper is Alizha Kappers.

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



Little Cedar Church council met on Wednesday, February 27, 2019. The meeting had been postponed one week due to a winter storm. The meeting was called to order by chairperson, Joe Matheis. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Sarah Mergen gave devotions. Present: Mary Conroy, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Joe Matheis, Lyn Meany, Sarah Mergen, Carrie Sorgatz, Janet Stephenson, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: Lydia Frank, Vicki Kiefer, Sherry Schotanus, Isaac Ydstie.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Janet Stephenson, seconded by John Jax that the secretary's report be accepted as submitted. Carried.

Correspondence: Carrie Sorgatz reviewed the correspondence. Pat Hinz sent a thank you for the Christmas gift. Marlene Hanson sent a note stating that she is stepping down from managing the service groups. Sarah Mergen volunteered to take over that task with the help of the office staff.

Treasurer's Report: Millie Weness reviewed the treasurer's report. The winter weather has slowed the offerings and the balance has gone down. Motion by John Jax, seconded by Jan Weness that we approve the treasurer's report as submitted. Carried.

Committee Reports:

- Building:** Joe reported on the status of our insurance at this point because of water damage from malfunction of a heat register in the records room. It will be sometime before there is a final settlement.
 - The bell ringer has arrived and is awaiting installation.
- Daycare:** Mary Conroy reported on the daycare meeting. Kate is putting together a parent survey. Jess Wagner, daycare assistant, will resign effective May 1, 2019.
- Life and Missions:** A volunteer is needed to plan a welcome Sunday for new members.
- Personnel:** All staff contracts have been signed for 2019.

Pastor's Report: There will be two adult forums prior to the soup supper and Lenten services. Both will be held at Little Cedar. On March 20, 5:00 p.m., Emily Carson, from the SE MN Synod office, will speak about her trip to southern US and immigration. April 3, at 5:00 p.m., Kathy Chateline will speak about the work the synod does with our companion synods in other countries. Motion by Mary Conroy, seconded by Sarah Mergen to give \$500 for the synod's work in Global Missions. Carried.

Outstanding Business:

- The energy audit showed that the daycare windows do not need to be replaced. All of the other windows have been ordered. Motion by Millie Weness, seconded by Carrie Sorgatz, that we do not replace the daycare windows when replacing the other windows in the building. Carried.
- There has been a request for Sacred Heart to rent space for Kids Zone the week of June 3rd while some work is being done in their building. Motion by Sarah Mergen, seconded by Mary Conroy that we rent our fellowship hall to Sacred Heart Kids Zone for \$50 per day. Carried.
- Southland Schools requested use of our parking lot for student parking for the 2019-2020 school year while the building is under construction. Motion by John Jax, seconded by Lyn Meany that Southland Schools be allowed to use the northeast part of our parking lot, with entrance from the southeast road, for student parking for the 2019-2020 school year, with the school being responsible for supervision and snow removal as pending approval by our insurance company. No construction equipment or supplies will be allowed on the lot. Carried.
- Some annual donations from the lutefisk fund were made. Motion by Millie, seconded by Lyn Meany, that Little Cedar make available \$500 for the Angel fund at Southland Schools, that we donate \$1000 to each, Good Earth Village and LYO. All donations are to come from the Lutefisk Fund. Carried.
- Janet Stephenson, Joe Matheis and Jan Weness volunteered to review the present constitution and bring suggested revisions to the council for approval. Approved changes will be brought to the next annual meeting for congregational approval.



The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m. Lyn Meany will give devotions and the cause of the Month for March is items for Personal Care Kits. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.



Marshall Lutheran Church
February 6th, 2019
Council Meeting

Members Present: Craig Hanson, Tricia Kulow, Rod Sprau, Donna Osmundson, Chris Himebaugh, Carie Hanson and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members Absent: Dawn Kiefer, Len Mensink, Andrew Sprau, Linda Ludwig and Gus Johnson.

Kristina Mathias from "Captured Portraits by Kristina" was present to show the council options on the Church Directory that will be done this year. Pictures will be taken during the week of March 10th thru the 16th. Makeup pictures will be in April.

First Order of Business was the election of Rod Sprau as Chairman and he called the meeting to order.

Pastor's Report:

Gideon Mike Taylor reported that the collections he got from Marshall and Little Cedar, they were able to buy 317 copies of the pocket size New Testament to hand out.

Lent is coming soon – there will be an adult education/bible study the hour before the soup supper again this year.

During Lent, the offering collected will go to the youth for future ELCA gatherings.

There will be skits again during Lent and anyone is welcomed to sign up to participate.

Secretary's Report was read, financial and treasurer's reports were given.

Total Offering for January was \$3342.00/\$149.25 COM (Campus Ministry)

February Cause of the Month is Lutheran Disaster Relief.

Motion by Craig Hanson to accept the reports, motion 2nd by Chris Himebaugh. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The installation of the doors came to \$400.00.

Council picked out the door handles – 4 sets of Heritage style with dark Tuscan finish so all the front doors are matching. Motion by Donna Osmundson, motion 2nd by Craig Hanson. Motion carried.

New Business:

Switch March's Cause of the Month from Neighbor in Need to the service project the Confirmation students are doing – personal care kits.

Move to adjourn from Craig Hanson, 2nd by Donna Osmundson. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes – respectfully submitted by Carie Hanson, Financial Secretary

To be approved at the March Council Meeting

