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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse

**February 2020**



### John 8:12

<sup>12</sup> Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches!

I kinda like snow. Yeah. I know. Some of you probably don't want to hear that kind of talk. But hey. The snow is pretty and fun to play with! I'm sure many of you are already counting the days until spring. However, the cold and dark I don't care for. It would be nice to see a little more sunshine this time of year!

However, this cold and dark time of the year is good for lighting candles. Our family has been into candles lately. There is almost always a couple of candles burning on our coffee table. It brings warmth. Our wood wick candles make a nice crackling sound. Perhaps most importantly, it brings a hint of light. The warmth of light can bring so much comfort. It makes the worries of the world disappear.

We are in the season of Epiphany and the barren months of winter. An opportune time to remember Jesus as the light in the darkness. Jesus is the light of the world that illumines even the darkest corner. In the beginning, God's Word brought light into the darkness, and for us today God's Word still brings light into the darkness! Below I included a list of verses that speak of God bringing light into the world. During these cold dark weeks of winter, I encourage you to take time (maybe even light a candle!) to explore in scripture the promise of light coming into the darkness of our lives! May the light of Christ burn within your hearts ever so brightly!

In Christ,

*Pr. Jeremy*



2 Samuel 22:29, Nehemiah 9:11-13, Job 33:28, Psalm 4:6, Psalm 18:28, Psalm 36:9, Psalm 43:3, Psalm 56:12-13, Psalm 89:15, Psalm 97:11, Psalm 104:1-3, Psalm 119:105, Psalm 119:130, Isaiah 42:5-7, Isaiah 42:16, Isaiah 50:10, Isaiah 60:19, Micah 7:9, Matthew 5:13-16, Matthew 6:22, Luke 11:33-35, John 1:3-5, John 3:18-20, John 9:5, Romans 13:12

**Important Dates**

**February 5th**  
Marshall Council

**February 19th**  
Little Cedar Council

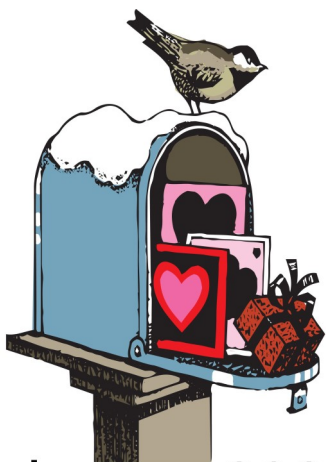
**February 26th**  
Ash Wednesday @ LC

**Little Cedar ~**



**Council Members**

<b>President:</b>	Lynn Johnson
<b>Vice President:</b>	Carol Matheis
<b>Treasurer:</b> Millie Weness	Chris Roser
<b>Secretary:</b> Jan Weness	Spencer Medgaarden
<b>Financial Secretary Committee:</b>	Mary Conroy
Nancy Smith, Janet Stephenson	Carrie Sorgatz
Joe Matheis, Lynnette Gerber	Lyn Meany
<b>Cemetery Secretary:</b>	Becky Hartwig
Janet Stephenson	John Jax
<b>Cemetery Assistant:</b>	Vicki Kiefer
Steve Schroeder	



**February 2020**

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

Eleanore Gordon ~ Shirley Thome ~ Bill Jahn ~ Larry Bowers  
 Jim Schroeder ~ Lynn Sathre ~ Terry Emanuel ~ Jon Osmundson  
 Lahoma Retterath ~ Curt Hamilton ~ Mary Finbraaten ~ Marcelle Voigt  
 John Munson ~ Pete Lonergan ~ Alice Koball ~ Mel Thome  
 Ramona Hanson ~ Dan Morgan ~ Judy Johnson ~ Donnis Allen  
 Dawn Weaver (Daughter of Neil & Judy Johnson)  
 Linda Hendrickson (Kristina Matheis Mother)  
 Mary Bergene (daughter-in-law of Dorothy Bergene)  
**If you have a prayer request, please let the church office know.**

**Deaths:**  
LC~Donald Larson



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

<b><u>Sunday Worship:</u></b>	Little Cedar 9:00am	Marshall 10:30am
<b><u>Sunday School:</u></b>	September - May	Little Cedar 10:00am and Marshall 9:30am

Senior Pastor	Jeremy Johnson	<a href="mailto:pastorjeremy@frontier.com">pastorjeremy@frontier.com</a>
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Youth Director	Tara Mandt	<a href="mailto:taramandt@frontiernet.net">taramandt@frontiernet.net</a>
Day Care Director	Kate Wiste	<a href="mailto:lcd daycare14@gmail.com">lcd daycare14@gmail.com</a>



All of your friends at daycare hope you are having a great start of the new year! We have enjoyed learning about different foods that are purple and making purple fish. We met Organized Oscar the Oval. He is probably my favorite, as I like being organized! The kids made a Lion for the letter L, mouse for the letter M and a noodle necklace for learning about the letter N. We made a hot chocolate mug craft and chocolate play-doh. Everyone was tempted to eat it! I taught the kids different activities and foods that keep the heart healthy. They promised me they were going to eat all of their veggies at supper.... This last week in January brought us new dinosaurs! We have dinosaur eggs that are slowly hatching. Once they hatch, they continue to grow in the bowl of water that they have been in for a few days. The kiddos and I made three snowman and plenty of snow angels, because who doesn't like playing in the snow?! We are looking forward to the month of chocolate!

Kate Wiste, Director  
Little Cedar Daycare



**FAITH 5 MEETING**

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2ND AT 4PM  
AT LITTLE CEDAR

**♪♪♪♪♪Lent Music Madness♪♪♪♪♪**



Ever wonder what's the greatest hymn of all time? Well, wait no longer! We are going to find out! During Lent we will be having a Lent Music Madness. In the style of an NCAA bracket, hymns will be eliminated during the season of Lent, leaving a champion crowned as "The Holiest of Hymns." To get started, we need your help creating our bracket. Everyone has their favorite congregational hymns, so send us your favorites during the month of February! Do you have ten favorite hymns? Bring 'em on! We will have a bucket at church for you to stuff full of your favorite hymn suggestions. You can also email us your favorites or even comment on our Facebook post to cast your votes. The top voted hymns will make the cut and will be seeded into our Lent Music Madness. So what will it be, "Holy, Holy, Holy!," "How Great Thou Art," or maybe "Amazing Grace"? Stay tuned to find out!

**Ash Wednesday Service**

will be held at Little Cedar  
February 26th.  
Soup Supper at 6:00pm  
Worship @ 7:00pm



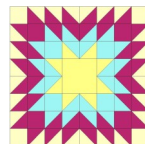
**Cause of the Month for February**

**Marshall**

"Ronald McDonald House"

**Little Cedar**

"TBD"



Little Cedar Quilting  
Monday, February 3rd at 1:00pm

**Service Group #5**

Name	Phone #1
Earl & Jane Orvik	582-3612
Steve & Audrey Schroeder	582-3139
Mary Schmitz	582-3621
Jim & Joni Osmundson	582-3620
Chris & Cathy Roser	437-8119
Brian & Lani Wolff	582-1406
Mark & Lilly Sorenson Family	438-6354
Lahoma Retterath	582-3110
Debbie Retterath	438-1681
Larry & Tammy Wilson	993-4339
Julie Schmitz	582-3696
Patti Hamilton	438-3960
June Nelson	582-3239
Jim & Shirley Schroeder	582-3220
Justin & Lynnette Gerber	612-619-0660
Kody & Brooke Retterath	440-6931
Megan Emanuel	507-208-3031
Jeremy & Bonny Bryan	507-259-0967
Jeremy & Sandy Johnson	481-4394


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saschroeder79@gmail.com	Co-Chair

**February 2020**

**Communion Clean-Up**  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

**Deliver Meals on Wheels**  
February 3<sup>rd</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup>

**Coffee Hour**



**February Usher**

**Bruce Bergene ~ 584-0908**

USHERS

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



**Marshall Council 2020**

Chairman~  
Treasurer~Dale Himebaugh

Financial Secretary ~ Carie Hanson  
Secretary ~ Dawn Kiefer  
Deacons: Linda Ludwig ~ Chris Himebaugh  
Gary Kulow  
Trustees: Kevin Hanson ~ Andrew Sprau  
Len Mensink ~ Donna Osmundson

**READERS**

Month/Date	Little Cedar	Marshall
Feb. 2nd	Kristina Matheis	Kathi Himebaugh
Feb. 9th	Dawson Gilson & Malina Luke	Isaac Himebaugh
Feb. 16th	Carol Matheis	Thelma Himebaugh
Feb. 23rd	Pat Hinz	Dale Himebaugh

Senior High LYOs January meeting was postponed due to busy schedules. Hoping to squeeze in a few more activities this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lexi Smith

Secretary



Our Junior High Christmas Party, scheduled for January 19th was cancelled due to weather. Hoping to get something on the calendar but not looking to promising!



### Little Cedar Sunday School News

We do not have class on February 16th for President's Day Weekend.

### **First Communion Class will be starting soon! Mark Your Calendars! Here is the schedule:**

Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> @ Little Cedar

\*Mandatory Soup & Worship

Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> @ Marshall

Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> @ Little Cedar

Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> @ Marshall

Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ Little Cedar

Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup> @ Marshall

**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> @ Little Cedar TBD** \*Family meeting & bread making

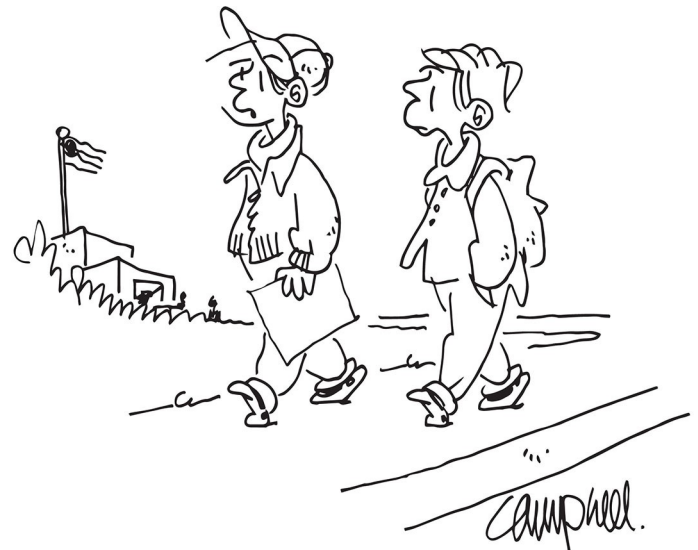
**First Communion is Sunday, April 5, 2020**

(Palm Sunday) 9:00am @ Little Cedar and

10:30am @ Marshall

Little Cedar Students: Lauren Sorgatz

Marshall Students: Colton Fasbender, James Heimer & Alyssa Himebaugh



"I made a New Year's resolution to eat broccoli. If I can't stand it, I'll give it up for Lent."

### Readers and Communion

#### Helpers Needed at Little Cedar

The list for Readers for Sunday Worship is in need of some more volunteers. You will only be asked to read **Twice a year!** If we get enough volunteers not even that many times.. Please let the Office know if you would be willing to be put on the list.

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Communion Helpers for the 1st Sunday of each month are also needed. Again contact the Office if you would be willing to volunteer for this job. Thank you ♥

# Youth & Education News Continued

## **CONFIRMATION NEWS**

Regular class wraps up on February 19th and then we move in to our Lenten schedule. Watch your email for details.



## **Confirmation Meals**

February 5—Julia  
February 12—Bryson  
February 19—Coltan

## **Marshall Church Assistants**

- \*February 2—Julia
- \*February 9—Bryson
- \*February 16—Jessie
- \*February 23—Ella



Be sure to meet with your mentor to work on your packets.

## **Little Cedar Worship Assistants**

- \*February 2—Juliette
- \*February 9—Mabel
- \*February 16—Avery
- \*February 23—Kaden

## **Little Cedar Church Assistants**

- \*February 2—U: Cody G: Hope
  - \*Communion Family—Adelyn
- \*February 9—U: Brad G: Kendra
- \*February 16—U: Coltan G: Micah
  - \*Communion Family—Abby
- \*February 23—U: Gavin G: Riley



## **Little Cedar Senior High Coffee Hour is February 9th**

Lead—Brad & Maria Johnson  
Carter & Chase

## **Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is February 9th.**

Ushers: Noah Lamp & Alizha Kappers  
Readers: Dawson Gilson & Malina Luke

## **Little Cedar Communion Helpers**

February 2—Matthias Anderson  
February 16—Khlover Schulz

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE AT CHURCH ON YOUR GIVEN SUNDAY,  
PLEASE CONTACT TARA ASAP SO SHE CAN MAKE A SWITCH.**



## Marshall Lutheran Church ~ January 8, 2020 ~ Council Meeting

*John 14:9*

Jesus said to him, "Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"

### Meeting was called to order by Rod Sprau Council President

- Update - \$200 donation to Police Officer Christmas funds divided - \$100 to fulfill Christmas needs, \$100 for personal items (socks, underwear, hygiene).
- Offering a series on faith for families beginning Sunday, 1/12.
- Inquires about continuing skits during Lenten services – council endorses.
- Shares that Wednesday offerings during Lent will be put toward the Youth Gathering, as usual.

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

- Total offering for December \$7,593.00/\$550.00 COM (Gerard Academy).
- January Cause of the Month offering will be for the Campus Ministry.  
Motion by Donna to accept the reports; motion second from Craig. Motion carried.

### Old Business:

- Annual meeting to be held 1/19/20.
- Note that Neighbor in Need fund balance = \$387.68
- Note that Angel Fund balance = \$27.07



### New Business:

- Carie shares that Sunday school will be done for the year on April 5th.
- Council reviews pest control bids and agrees to stay with Plunket for 2020. (Competitor bid was \$200 higher for same services)
- 2020 proposed budget prepared for 1/19 annual meeting.

Move to adjourn from Andrew with second from Craig. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Carie Hanson	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Len Mensink	O
Craig Hanson	X	Dawn Kiefer	X	Donna Osmundson	X
Chris Himebaugh	X	Tricia Kulow	X	Andrew Sprau	X
Gus Johnson	X	Linda Ludwig	O	Rodney Sprau	X



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by vice chairperson, Carrie Sorgatz. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Present: Becky Hartwig, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Vicki Kiefer, Carol Matheis, Lyn Meany, Spencer Medgaarden, Carrie Sorgatz, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: Mary Conroy and Chris Roser.

Millie Weness nominated, seconded by Jan Weness, Carol Matheis for president of the council and Carrie Sorgatz as vice president. Carried. Devotions were led by Pastor Jeremy.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion by Becky Hartwig, seconded by Lynn Johnson to approve the secretary's report as printed. Carried.

**Correspondence:** Thank you notes were read from members receiving poinsettias. A thank you for our donation to Lutheran Campus Ministry Winona was read. A request for support for the Oaxaca Mission was read. Motion by Millie Weness, seconded by John Jax to give \$300 to the Oaxaca Mission to support mission work a group from our area is involved in. Funds to come from lutefisk fund. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Millie Weness reviewed the treasurer's report. Motion by Jan Weness, seconded by Vicki to approve the report as printed. Carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

**-Building:** An estimate of \$600 to paint the remaining scuffed red door frames to match all the black ones in the building was presented. Motion by Millie Weness, seconded by Becky Hartwig to accept Troy Hanna's estimate of \$600. Money to come from capital improvement fund. Carried.

Motion by John Jax, seconded by Spencer Medgaarden to charge Southand schools 50% of the cost of snowplowing our parking lot each time as they are using it during construction. Carried.

**Personnel:** Annual contracts are ready for church personnel to sign.

**Worship and Music:** The committee is planning a "playoff" to determine "best hymn" in March.

**Day Care:** All debt to Little Cedar has been paid off as well as payment for new carpet.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor requested 3 weeks off in May for a sabbatical as he will be here seven years in July and the Synod encourages sabbaticals for reflection and learning. He and his family will travel to Europe to visit several religious sites. He will miss three Sundays. Motion by John Jax, seconded by Vicki Kiefer to approve Pastor Jeremy a sabbatical leave for three weeks in May. Carried. The council and pastor will take care of arranging pulpit supply without cost to the congregation.

**Outstanding Business:** None.



### **New Business:**

-Council members signed up for committees for 2020.

-Little Cedar will make a change from Frontier to Mediacom as our internet provider. Money will be saved.

Motion by Millie Weness, seconded by John Jax to adjourn the meeting. Carried. The next meeting is Wednesday, February 19, at 7:30 p.m. Becky Hartwig will give devotions. The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Secretary, *Jan Weness*