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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



February 2023



John 1:1-4

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life,^[a] and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.



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. However, I'll admit it, I'm ready for winter to be done. The cold and dark is what I don't really 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. When sitting at home, it is nice to light a candle or two. Makes it feel cozier. February 2nd is the celebration of Candlemas. Candlemas is also known as the Presentation of Our Lord. A day in which we commemorate the presentation of Jesus at the Temple according to the account from Luke 2:22-40. Candlemas is rarely celebrated in the United States, but instead is more popular in other countries. Some traditions will keep their Christmas decorations up until February 2nd. Maybe we should do that as well...

As winter seems to drag on longer than it should, we are reminded of the need for the light of Christ to bring joy and hope. We live in a world that is filled with so much darkness. May you be reminded of the joy of the light of Christ. In the beginning, God's Word brought light into the darkness, and for us today God's Word still brings light into the darkness!

Blessings!

Pr. Jeremy



Important Dates

February 1st
Marshall Council

February 5th
Senior High Skiing

February 15th
Little Cedar Council

February 22nd
Ash Wednesday
@ Little Cedar

Lenten Schedules



Ash Wednesday

February 22nd @ Little Cedar

Soup Supper @ 6:00pm

Worship @ 7:00pm

Lenten Worship Service Schedule

March 1st @ Marshall

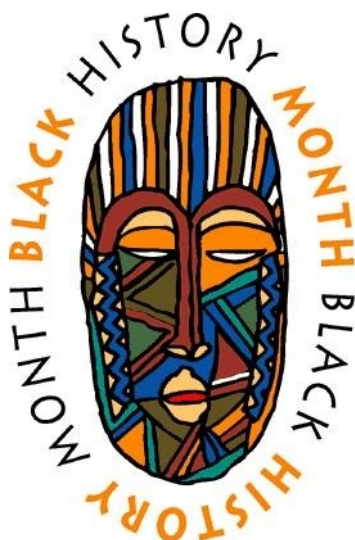
March 8th @ Little Cedar

March 15th @ Marshall

March 22nd @ Little Cedar

March 29th @ Marshall

Soup Supper @ 6pm Worship @ 7pm



February 2023

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

Delvin Gladitsch ~ Tillie Schotanus ~ Avene Nolte ~ Gloria Mallory ~ Mavis Klautd
Judy Johnson ~ Gerald Meier ~ Maureen & Wayne Underdahl

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

Little Cedar Baptism:

Brooks Daniel Gilles—January 22, 2023
Parents Corey & Kayla

Asher Jon Poshusta—January 29, 2023
Parents Nic & Kelsey



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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"No person has the right to rain on your dreams." Martin Luther King, Jr. In January, we celebrated MLK, Jr day by talking, singing a song and watching a show about him. The kids have been loving the blocks and magnets and the dolls and store. They can spend hours playing Bingo and coloring as well! We made hot chocolate while doing the hot chocolate project. The children really gulped that up! We made icicles and learned about the oval. We gave "high fives" to a police officer. One of our dads is a cop and that occupation was what we learned about this month. The kids traced their hands and we gave them to him. Postal was also a community helper we discussed. The kids made mailbags and wrote letters to put in them. They then went around and delivered them to friends. It's fun seeing them use their imagination! We made an L for lion and lamb, M for Moses, mouse and Moose, N for Noah, nest and night. Opposites were soft and hard, different habitats and where the kids would want to live if they could pick. We made 12 rainbows and marbles in a jar. We went on a scavenger hunt to find the number 12, too. We came up with ideas of how to be a good friend. Sharing germs was a suggestion as we are all sick! Here's to February!!

Kate Wiste ~ Little Cedar Daycare Director

♥Marshall Cause of the Month♥

February 2023

"Ronald McDonald House"



BIBLE STUDY ON THE MESSIAH. PLEASE JOIN US ON THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 10AM. NEXT CLASS WILL BE ON FEB 2ND . I WILL ALSO MAKE STUDY

SHEETS AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO WORK ON YOUR OWN. WE WILL PARTICULARLY LOOK AT THE PROPHETIC WRITINGS OF THE OLD TESTAMENT THAT SPOKE OF A COMING MESSIAH AND HOW THE PEOPLE AT THE TIME INTERPRETED THOSE WRITINGS AND WHAT THAT MEANS FOR US TODAY. *Pr. Jeremy*

Marshall is in need of a Janitor

Janitor Needed



After 17 years Kathy is ready to hang up her mop!

The job duties are: dusting, vacuuming cleaning the bathroom, kitchen and mopping floors.

And other typical Janitorial duties. It takes 2 to 3 hours a week depending on what was going on at the church.

You can pick what day is best for you each week, just so it is done before Sunday morning worship. If interested please contact the church office @ 507-582-3185



Little Cedar Service Group #4

Co-Chairs: Scott & Tammy McMasters and Dave & Millie Weness

**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!

- Carol Matheis
- Linda & John Logsdon
- Russ & Joanne Hamilton
- Jim & Connie Sathre
- Curt & Kay Lewison
- Gladys Morgan
- Joe Matheis
- Jacina Kiefer
- Heather Felten
- Cody & Kathy Kirkpatrick
- Randy & RoeAnn Voigt
- Katie Felten

Communion Clean Up
February 5th & 19th
February 22nd (Ash Wednesday)

Deliver Meals on Wheels
February 13th through 24th

Coffee Hour
February 12th, 19th, & 26th
(not February 5th—this is LYO)

Serve any functions requested



Little Cedar Readers

February 5
Millie Weness

February 12
Juliette & Cody

February 19
Jan Weness

February 26
John Logsdon



Little Cedar Head Usher for February



Youth Worship Assistance

Little Cedar Senior High Coffee Hour

February 5th—Lagerstedt Family
Avery Stroup



LC High School Communion Helpers

February 5 — Coltan
February 19—Cody



Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is February 12

Ushers: Gregory & Wyatt
Readers: Juliette & Cody



Little Cedar Confirmation Church Assistants

- *February 5—Usher: Nolan, Greeter: Beau, Communion: Mya
- *February 12—Usher: Justin, Greeter: Lauren
- *February 19—Usher: Justin, Greeter: Nolan, Communion: Kaden
- *February 26—Usher: Beau, Greeter: Justin

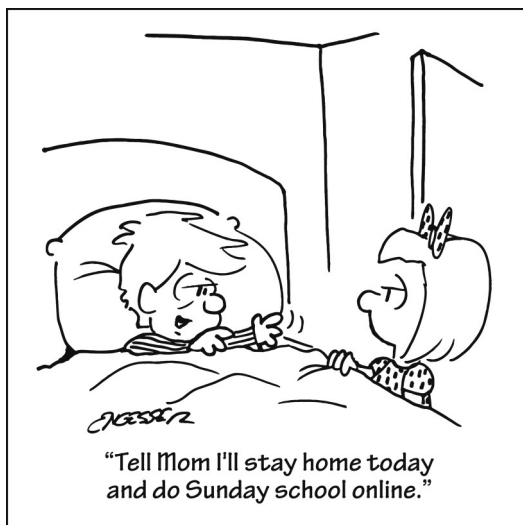
Marshall Confirmation Church Assistants

- *February 5—Usher: Brecken, Communion: Lillian
- *February 12—Usher: Alex
- *February 19—Usher: Lillian, Communion: Alex
- *February 26—Usher: James

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

- *February 5—Sadie
- *February 12—Audrey
- *February 19—Taya
- *February 26—Addison

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



Something I try to instill in others is to just be a good person. It’s a decision you make a million times a day. But if you just keep trying, good stuff comes to you in an ordained way.

Chance the Rapper

Youth & Education News

Little Cedar Sunday School News

In February we will have class on February 5th, 12th and 26th. I am excited to start our series on Tree of Healing. It could run through the end of the school year!

Marshall School News

We will have regular class the month of February.

Confirmation Schedule & Meals

February 1—Regular Class	Meal Family—McKay
February 8—Regular Class	Meal Family—Sathre
February 15—Regular Class	Meal Family—Forthun

Ash Wednesday is February 22nd. Watch for new details for our Wednesday nights.

Be sure to be meeting with your mentors.



Senior High Youth Group

Our January meeting was on the 8th. We went to the Escape Challenge in Rochester. Our room was The Private Collection of R.K. Ologist. We made it out with 19 seconds to spare! We then went to Fat Willy's for supper. It was a great time!

Coltan Bryan

High School LYO Secretary



Junior High Youth Group

Our January meeting had to be pushed back to the end of February. Stay tuned for details.



Minutes – respectfully submitted, Tricia Kulow, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink, President
<p>Pastor Jeremy updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jan Johnson and Julie Hanson led the “Lessons and Carols” service on January 1st. ● Pastor has begun lining up speakers of the Hindu, Muslim and Jewish faiths to talk to his High School religious program students. ● The Drive-Thru Nativity Scene made approximately \$1900. The money will be divided between the Mower County Backpack Food Program and the Southland Education Fund.
<p>Secretary and financial/treasurer’s reports were reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total offering for December \$13465/\$ 492.25 for the Eagles Cancer Telethon. ● January Cause of the Month offering will be for Bungjot, a seminary student ● February Cause of the Month offering will be for <p>Motion to accept reports from Gary -----with second from Jan. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The church has received an insurance check for the expenses caused by the flooding in the basement. We had previously received a check to replace the carpet and bathroom linoleum. ● We received an estimate for new carpet and linoleum from D & E Carpets. It was decided to go with the carpet tiles for the dining area and linoleum for the bathroom. Jan made a motion to purchase these items with a second from Gary. Motion carried ● Len will set up a meeting with Nic Hale, a Thrivent representative, to sign a new signature card and discuss other options for the money that is now in a Thrivent Bond Fund. ● Len will follow up with Tom Kiefer about making repairs to the lower stairwell. ● Kathy Voigt will be retiring from her cleaning job at Marshall. Kathy will put a notice in the bulletin, the Church Mouse and on the church Facebook page that we are looking for someone to take over the job. Len thanked Kathy for her years of service.
<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The bathroom toilet malfunctioned again and continued to run which caused the septic tank to fill with water. Lewis Septic pumped the tank. Schmitz Electric replaced everything in the back of the toilet. Dakota Johnson (Lewis Septic) suggested getting an alarm put on the septic tank to alert us when the septic tank is ¾ full. Dale will look in the alarm. ● The council discussed and made a proposed church budget for 2023. The proposed budget will be presented at the annual meeting on January 15th.
Motion to adjourn from Gary with second from Darrel. 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)	
Kevin Hanson (T)	X	Gary Kulow (D)	X	Andrew Sprau (T)	X
Dale Himebaugh (financial secy)	X	Tricia Kulow (secy)	X	Kathy Voigt (D)	X



Installation of Council Members will be Sunday February 5th during worship at both churches.



LITTLE CEDAR COUNCIL 2023

MARSHALL COUNCIL 2023

John Jax

Lynn Johnson

Tara Mandt

Holly Meyer

Bryce Nelson

Connie Sathre

Nancy Thalberg

Jan Weness

Secretary

Nancy Smith

Financial

Joe Matheis

Financial

Janet Stephenson

Financial

Lyndsey Hall

Treasurer

Spencer Medgaarden

Co-Chairman

Tracy Smith

Co Chairman

Kathy Voigt

Jan Johnson

Darrel Gordon

Lonny McKay

Kevin Hanson

Gib Seimers

Dale Himebaugh

Carie Hanson

Treasurer

Amber Hanson

Secretary

Len Mensink

Chairman

Gary Kulow

Co-Chairman

Little Cedar Council meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month

Marshall Council meets the 1st Wednesday of each month

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on **Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 7:30 p.m.** Present: Lyndsey Hall, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Tara Mandt, Spencer Medgaarden, Holly Meyer, Bryce Nelson, Connie Satre, Nancy Thalberg, Tracy Smith, Jan Weness.

The meeting was called to order by Pastor Jeremy. Election of officers was held. Holly Meyer and Spencer Medgaarden volunteered to serve as co-chair persons for the year. Devotions were given by Pastor Jeremy.

Secretary's Report: Motion by John, seconded by Lynn to accept the report as printed. Carried.

Correspondence: Many thank you notes have been received and are posted on the bulletin board.

Treasurer's Report: Millie noted two corrections on the annual report. The finance committee will meet soon to discuss two of the investments that mature soon. Lyndsey reviewed the printed report. Motion by Jan, seconded by Tara to accept the report as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-Building: The committee is still gathering estimates and information on the replacement of the boiler.

-Cemetery: Nancy reported that there will be work to move a grave and fix several grave stones next spring. Funds will need to be available from the cemetery fund to complete the work.

-Finance: The committee will be meeting soon.

-Daycare: The committee met to determine Kate's wages for 2023.

-Personnel: Contracts will be prepared and signed by February 1, 2023.

-Worship and Music: It was decided that the Holden Evening Service will be used again during Lenten services.

Pastor's Report: Pastor reported that they were unable to find an intern for St. John's, Elkton, this year. St. John's sends their thanks for sharing together in ministry with intern Marcia. They will share a pastor with Evanger Lutheran and welcome pastor Jackie to the area. Marsha will be ordained soon.

-Pastor anticipates the strong possibility that he will be gone Sunday, April 30, if the robotics team moves on to higher competition in Texas.

Outstanding Business:

-Offering Envelopes: The ordered envelopes have not arrived and the office has been unable to communicate with the company. The office will print some offering envelopes and put them in the narthex.

New Business:

-2023 Committees: Council members signed up for committees for the upcoming year. They were challenged to get some new members on each committee.

-Defibrillator: Memorial money has been given to purchase a defibrillator for Little Cedar. Tara has done some research and one will be purchased for the building. Discussion was held on location, use and maintenance. Thanks to the family for the donation.

-Joint Council: There will be a joint council meeting with Little Cedar and Marshall councils on Wednesday, February 8, at 7:30 p.m. at Little Cedar.

The next council meeting is **Wednesday, February 15, at 7:30 p.m.** Tara will give devotions. Motion by John, seconded by Tracy to adjourn the meeting. Carried. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness, Secretary

