



May 2014



Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



NOTICE OF VOTING: Little Cedar Church will have a congregational vote on Sunday, May 11th for the purpose of replacing the roof on the Education Building.

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." ⁵⁰Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵²And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches!

The graduation season will be upon us soon! Graduations are such a joyous time. A celebration of the accomplishments that have been made, and hope for the future that is to come. I remember graduation from high school very well. I remember my parents sending me off to college on my own. Although they provided me guidance I certainly felt like I was heading off on my own. It was only a year ago that I graduated from seminary, and our family was heading off to new adventures in our ministry in Adams! Many of you may be in the midst of your own transitions and adventures in life!

Although graduations are a joyous celebration, they can also be scary. Heading off on our own into the world. Many of our Gospel readings during the next few weeks will be stories of the disciples being sent off into the world. In a sense, it is their "graduation." They had received teachings and guidance from Jesus and now they are being sent out into the world, but they are by no means alone. The Holy Spirit is sent upon them. God promises them an advocate. God promises them guidance and prays for their protection.

We are certainly not alone either! We have the promise of God's presence in our lives. God walks by our side in the deepest of valleys and the highest of hills. Even when we feel that God has abandoned us, we have the promise that God is calling to us in that loneliness. God meets us in that darkness. So as we make all of our transitions and journey through life, remember that you are not alone, God is with us! Amen.

Blessings,

Pastor Jeremy



Important Dates

May 2nd & 3rd
Synod Assembly

May 3rd
Women at the Well
@ Little Cedar @ 1:00pm

May 4th
Last day of Sunday School @
Little Cedar

May 7th
Marshall Council @ 7:30pm

May 18th
Senior Sunday @ LC
Recognition Sunday @ Marshall
Baccalaureate @ St. John's 4pm
Last Day of Sunday School @
Marshall

May 21st
Little Cedar Council @ 7:30pm



Website Changes: We are very excited about the new website. It needs work yet so please be patient but we just couldn't wait to unveil it!

The News tab is where you can find the Churchmouse and calendars. We would be happy to hear any feedback you may have. We cannot promise to make all change requests but we can sure discuss them. Let us know if there is something missing you would like to see added. Also, if there is something that is in a confusing spot or does not seem right, don't hesitate to let us know. We want the webpage to be a place anyone can go to find any information they are looking for. Please go out and look it over!!! www.littlecedarmarshallchurches.org

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

Family of Mort Kellogg
Aria Kellogg (daughter of Ed & Amanda Kellogg)
Marge Bartholmey ~ Linda Ludwig ~ Steve Bamrick ~ Jim Bustad
Lois Lewison ~ Arvis Gunderson ~ Val Pitzen ~ Ethel Nerison
Amy Sprau (daughter of Rod & Cathy Sprau) ~ Ramona Hanson
Troy Boelman (son-in-law of Wayne & Bonnie Johnson)
Raeann Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)
Julene Monteleone (granddaughter of June Wolf) who passed away April 28th.



Funerals: Mort Kellogg
If you have a prayer request, please let the church office know.



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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 Marshall 9:30am

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For Pastoral emergencies please call: 507-574-1059

Cause of the Month for May 2014

Marshall

“LSS Teen Homeless Shelter Fund”

Little Cedar

“Ruth DeHoogh”

Mission work in Papua, New Guinea



Quilters meet at Little Cedar

May 5th @ 1:00pm

Friends & Fellowship

Tuesday, May 13th @ Little Cedar

Program Musical Guest John Ulland @ I I am

Noon Meal

Cost \$5

All are welcome!



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Southland Religious Release Program

Come join us Sunday, May 4th for sloppy joes at 5:00pm followed by a program at 5:45pm.

The children will put on a short program and tell what they have been doing in religion class this past year. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to come and see what the kids are doing in class and meet their instructor. A

free will donation will be taken with all proceeds going towards this awesome ministry. Hope to see you there.

Childcare Director Needed

- Salaried- up to 45 hours per week expected- pay dependent on experience/education
- Meet licensing qualifications or be willing to obtain.
- Responsible for paperwork, billing, maintaining ratio, communication with families, following licensure procedures, being fair, loving and nurturing with children, attending daycare committee meetings, providing educational and Christian programming and other duties as needed.



Please submit letter of interest and resume with three references by May 16th.

Childcare Assistant Needed

- Hourly up to 40 hours per week- pay dependant on experience/education
- Meet licensing qualifications or be willing to obtain.
- Responsible for maintaining ratio, communication with families, following licensure procedures, being fair, loving and nurturing with children, supporting educational and Christian programming and other duties as needed.

Please submit resume with three references by May 16th.

Service Group #1

Bryce & Kellie Nelson Family – Co Chairperson (325-4535)

Gayle & Lavonne Bergstrom – Co Chairperson (437-3009)

Russell & Karen Anderson (433-4846)

Brad & Beth Stadheim Family (433-3221)

Steve & Pam Bamrick Family (582-7787)

Sue Barnes Family (993-6022)

Brian & Teresa Bergene Family (437-8663)

Bruce & Mary Bergene Family (584-0908)

Dorothy Bergene (582-3259)

Ward & Lois Bergene (582-3523)

Gordon & Terry Briggs (582-3594)

Deb Fasbender Family (582-7848)

Mary Finbraaten (582-3451)

Shari Wagner (582-3123)

Marjorie Bartholmey (582-8614)

Dorothy Triplett (582-3287)

Kerry Webber (438-8625)

May 2014

- Communion Clean-up 4th & 18th

- Deliver Meals on Wheels

1st thru 5th & 22nd thru 30th

- Coffee Hours

11th, 18th, 24th

Extra on the 18th for Senior Sunday

LYO has Coffee on the 1st Sunday of the Month

- Serve any funerals held

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



Head Usher for May

John Jax

582-7797

Scripture Readers

May 4th ~ Jim Osmundson

May 11th ~ Gabrielle Smith & Madison Wolff

May 18th ~ Shirley Schroeder

May 25th ~ Gayle Bergstrom

Youth activities

Educational News

Thank you to all the students & parents who helped during Holy Week, Easter services and with the Easter Breakfast. It was so wonderful to have such a great group to work with.

Little Cedar LYO Coffee Hour is May 4th
Education Committee

Sonshine 2014 Music Festival ~ We are working out the details to go to Sonshine again this year. The dates are July 16 through 19, 2014 and is in Willmar, Minnesota. The cost will be about \$150. This will cover your ticket (you will see over 100 artists), meals and gas. Please let Tara know if you would be interested in going! Even if you are sort of interested or could only go a few of the days; that will help with our planning. More details will be emailed as we have them! There are scholarships available so please don't let cost deter you from going. This is for students going into 7th Grade this fall to College age!

Little Cedar Communion Helpers
May 4—Colton Mandt
May 18—Ramsey Gilson

Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is May 11th

Ushers: Chris Webber

Readers: Gabrielle Smith & Madison Wolff

LITTLE CEDAR SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

We will celebrate our last day of Sunday School on May 4th during the worship service. The Children's Choir will perform during the service. I hope you can join us for cake after church to continue the celebration.

Mark Your Calendars! The 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering will be here before you know it! The convention is from July 15th to the 19th. Stay tuned for more official information coming soon! This is for students who are currently in 7th Grade through 11th Grade.

MARSHALL NEWS ~ Sunday, May 18th is the last day of Sunday School. The students will sing and receive their awards during the worship service. Confirmation & Graduation students will also be recognized. We will have a balloon release and fellowship dinner following the worship service.

Mark Your Calendars! Vacation Bible School will be at Little Cedar from July 28th to August 1st from 9am to 3pm and is from youth who are 4-years-old through completed 5th Grade.

Workshop of Wonders is an interactive, energizing week that gives your children a chance to experience the wonders of God. We will discover how the ordinary becomes extraordinary, we will meet people from the Bible who used materials on hand to make something amazing, we will experience the love of Jesus, as we hear his message to expect great things and we will explore using our hearts, minds and imaginations to follow the example of God, the one who works wonders.

Cost to attend VBS is \$20.00 for one child, \$35.00 for two children, and \$45.00 for three or more children. Payment is due the first day of VBS.

For more information about our Vacation Bible School, you can email taramandt@frontiernet.net and to register please go to <http://2014.cokesburyvbs.com/littlecedarvbs2014>.



Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors of 2014

Little Cedar

Delanie Reberta Barnes

Parents: Sue Barnes and Dan Barnes

Paxton LaMonte Gray

Parents: Lamonte and Julie

Max Michael Klingerman

Parents: Bill and Joann

Sarah Marie Sorenson

Parents: Mark and Lilly



Marshall

Montanna Jane Kinney

Parents: Cindy and Terry Hamilton
& Jeff & Jodi Kinney



Senior Sunday will be on May 18th at Little Cedar and Marshall during morning worship.

Baccalaureate is at St. John's Lutheran Church in Elkton at 4pm.

Confirmation and Worship News



Little Cedar Acolytes and Worship Assistants

May 4—Noah Lamp

May 11—Carter Johnson

May 18—Cade Sheehan



Congratulations to Cody, Dakota, Maya, Rachel, Nick, Asa and Jacob who were confirmed on Sunday, April 27th. We wish them many blessings on the next chapter in their Faith Journey.

Little Cedar Church Assistants

U=Usher G=Greeter

May 4 - **U:** Noah Milks **G:** Hannah McMasters

Communion Family: Kylie Poshusta

May 11 - **U:** Hannah McMasters **G:** Cole Medgaarden

May 18 - **U:** Cole Medgaarden **G:** Kylie Poshusta

Communion Family: Noah Milks

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Marshall Church Assistants

May 4 - Erin Hanson

May 11 - Kendra Emanuel

May 18 - Erin Hanson

If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact another Confirmation Student to replace or switch with you and then let Tara know.

Marshall Church Council Meeting Minutes

April 2nd 2014

The Marshall Church council met for its regular meeting on April 2nd 2014. Present were: Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Dale Himebaugh, Darrell Gordon, Andrew Sprau, Rhonda Hatle, Carie Hanson, Craig Hanson, Luvern Hanson, Gary Kulow, and Karina Mensink. Absent were: Gus Johnson and Jerry Sprau.

The meeting was called to order by Dale. The Secretary's report from March was read. Carie gave the Financial Secretary's report. Total offering for the month of March was \$5030.30. Cause of the Month offering was \$157.30. Luvern gave the Treasurer's report. Expenses were reviewed and Gary made a motion that the reports be accepted as read with Craig seconding the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: May cause of the month will be the Teen Homeless Shelter Lutheran Social Services is working on in Rochester. Discussed the roof again. A bid has been received from Southland Construction for \$25,000. We are going to look at some projects to see what gauge steel we want and what style. Look at going over the existing roof or tear it off. Several new ideas for memorial money were presented, a table for the back door or a table for pastor up front so he can face the congregation. The garbage pickup is on hold until we need it and then we will try "Y" disposal. The youth packed food in Austin and there was about \$500 left if kids or families want to go back.

NEW BUSINESS: Pastor is looking for ideas for the Maundy Thursday service if anyone has any thoughts. The Religious release programs will be hosting a program on May 4th at 5:00, "May the 4th be with you" and will serve a meal for those who come. Becky Hartwig is in charge of the meal if you want to donate bars or help.

Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Rhonda seconded. The motion carried.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by:

Karina Mensink, Council Secretary



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church Council met on Wednesday, April 23, 2014 @7:30pm. Members present: Karen Anderson, Gordy Briggs, Becky Hartwig, Pat Hinz, Joe Matheis, Tricia Milks, Rod Nordeng, Mary Schmitz, Tracy Smith, Lani Wolff, Jaymie Poshusta, and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members absent: John Jax(in for Jim Johnson), Cathy Roser, and Nancy Smith. The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Hinz.

DEVOTIONS/PRAYER: Pastor Jeremy

APPROVAL of COUNCIL MINUTES: A motion was made by Gordy Briggs, seconded by Becky Hartwig to approve the March 2014 Council Minutes, as printed. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION of VISITORS: A letter was received and read from the Family of Wilma Wenes. The family gave \$1025.00 in memorial money, to be used to support and enhance the ministry to seniors and others who are unable to attend church services. Discussion and suggestions followed. A motion was made by Karen Anderson, seconded by Rod Nordeng to do the wiring from the camera recorder (that records the church services) to the sound system. Motion carried. Council will continue to explore more options here.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jaymie recorded a balance of \$7947.43 in the General Fund and \$4410.23 in the Daycare Fund. Jaymie pointed out that the February Energy Bill was \$3185.00, with over \$2000.00 of that going for heating the building. Pat will talk to Jim Schroder about the thermostats and how they are set throughout the building. A motion was made by Joe Matheis, seconded by Tracy Smith to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

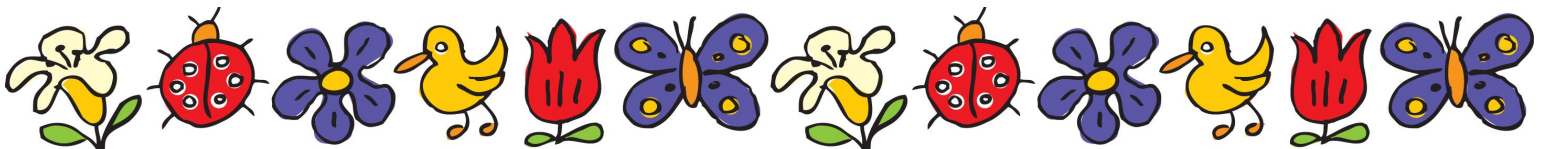
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Building: Joe Matheis reported that 2 of 3 estimates have been received on the roofing project. Kiker estimates \$40,900 for a rubber roof/no insulation. Merit gave 2 estimates: \$79,687 for rubber roof/insulation and \$96,390 for asphalt roof/insulation. Joe is waiting on one more estimate that would include the removal of asbestos, if present in the existing roof. Council set a tentative meeting date of April 30th, to discuss all 3 estimates and put together a proposal to present to the congregation for a vote. Announcement of this vote will take place Sundays April 27 and May 4. Voting would take place on Sunday, May 11, following worship. Jaymie presented one possible fundraiser, called "Tree of Life", for members to look over.

B. Cemetery: Tracy Smith reported that the Directory is soon to be put in place.

C. Daycare: Linda Gilles reported that the Fall daycare rates were discussed and it was decided to go with a daily rate for children rather than an hourly rate. There will be a summer contract for families that is separate from the school year contract. The committee also discussed setting up a scholarship fund to help Little Cedar daycare family participants, in times of need, with daycare expenses. This fund would be separate from the daycare fund and would be funded through donations by individual donors and possibly using it for the Cause of the Month. Inquiry was made into the Glenda Osmundson Fund, as a possible source for this. Council will look into this further at the May meeting, with more information coming from the daycare committee. Two daycare committee members have volunteered to take over the daycare finance job.

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D. Finance: no report

E. Life & Missions: Becky Hartwig reported that they met with the service groups. A Religious Release Program will be presented at church on Sunday, May 4th. There will be a light meal (free will donation) from 5-5:45 pm with a program to follow at 5:45 PM. A motion was made by Tracy Smith, seconded by Joe Matheis to take money from the Lutefisk Fund to purchase the food for this meal, with the free will donation money to be put back in the Lutefisk Fund. Motion carried. This committee also discussed Blanket Ministry, communion to shut-ins, Cause of the Month, Summer Picnic/Service in the park (with LYO helping those in need of assistance) and get-togethers for young adults in the church. There have been concerns among the service groups of not finding enough workers to prepare the food at funerals. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Gordy Briggs, seconded by Lani Wolff that all funerals held at Little Cedar be catered. Motion carried.

F. Personnel: Gordy Briggs reported that staff visits were made and went well.

G. Youth & Education: Pastor Jeremy reported that Confirmation is April 27th, First Communion went well, the youth may attend part of the Sonshine festival this summer and the next Youth gathering is in Detroit.

H. Worship & Music: Pat Hinz reported that Setting 10 will be used for summer worship. There will be Wednesday evening Worship Services in June and July. If attendance is good, they will look at extending it to August.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Jeremy attended a Boundaries Workshop, put on by the Synod. He presented Council with a handout "Establishing Safe Connections: Practical Steps for Pastors and Congregations".

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS:

A. Pat gave Council the updated Rental Agreement for Little Cedar.

Inquiry made about the parking lot project that was started last summer. Joe Matheis said filling the cracks can be done as that is under warranty with the contractor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cause of the Month for May: continue the Ruth DeHoogh Mission work in New Guinea.

DATES to REMEMBER:

1. May 21st is next Council meeting

June 2014 Newsletter Article deadline is May 21, 2014.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Rod Nordeng, seconded by Mary Schmitz to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm with members praying the Lord's Prayer.

*Submitted pending approval in May

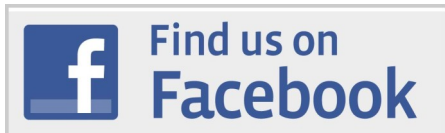
Linda Gilles, Council Secretary



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