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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



June 2021



Genesis 1:28-31; 2:1-3

²⁸God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." ²⁹God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

¹Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. ²And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

Greetings!!

As I write this, it is a beautiful day outside! Except it is windy. It is always windy around here. With summer weather well into swing, I am excited to get outside and enjoy creation. With Covid restrictions starting to come to an end, many of us are even more excited to get out and enjoy our favorite activities and get together with family and friends!

God has given us the gift of life. Through God's love and grace, we are then free us to live life to the fullest. We are free to live with joy and passion. We are free to bring meaning to life!

Above is one of my favorite readings! It always reminds me of the blessings that we have in creation, and God's care for humanity! And not just the blessings of creation, but the blessings of the life we have been given. It is an incredible relationship between God and humanity! The creation story is always so great to read and reflect on. God's gift to us is in creation. Creation has been given to humanity to joyously take delight in it.

Of course, as a gift, we are also called to care and to be good stewards of it. Not only is it an invitation to enjoy creation, but also to be responsible for creation. To be good stewards of creation! Enjoy creation with respect and care!

So, this summer, I invite you to enjoy creation! Get outside and enjoy the God's gift!

Have a happy summer y'all!!!

Pr. Jeremy



Important Dates

June 2
Marshall Council

June 16
Little Cedar Council

June 20th
Fathers Day




Mark Your Calendars

Vacation Bible School

The Education Committee is working on a safe way to bring this wonderful event back to our community this summer.

It will take place July 19-23.


Stay tuned for full details soon.

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

Pat Hinz ~ Mavis Klautdt ~ Judy Johnson ~ Curt Lewison ~ Gloria Mallory

Baptisms @ Little Cedar:
Elsie & Elijah Yotter

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



COVID Office Hours Are: Monday ~Tuesday ~Thursday ~ Friday from 10:00am to 4:00pm

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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The school year is just about over!! We finished out our curriculum by reviewing all of the colors of the rainbow and making a rainbow necklace, and learning to count up to 19 and 20. Our letters were X- made a xylophone and x rays, Y-yak puppet and yarn craft, Z-zoo and zebra. Shape that we learned was a star. It was named Scarlett and our friend Scarlett was excited about that! Opposites were sunny and cloudy and we have loved seeing more sun than clouds this month. Since we have talked about the life cycle of butterflies, we have collected a few caterpillars. Unfortunately, none of them have lasted too long. Netherlands was the "around the globe" country. We made Mother's Day crafts. Our theme was "hugs and kisses" and put pictures of each kid on a Mason jar filled with chocolate kisses and made personalized hand cards that looked like they were reaching for a hug. They turned out great! We celebrated a birthday and National Provider Appreciation Day. We received flowers from many parents and the daycare committee It was very thoughtful. We are very blessed with our families!

Kate Wiste ~

Little Cedar Daycare Director

Dairy Days Bingo



The Little Cedar and Marshall Middle School and High School Youth will be hosting Bingo on Sunday, June 13th at the Adams Legion from 2PM to 6PM.

Come and support our youth and have some fun too.

Open Bridal Shower for Kristina Hanson



Saturday, July 3rd

at 10:00am

Marshall Church

*Kristina will marry Jordan Heimer on
September 4, 2021*

The couple is registered at Target & Menards

Cause of the Month for June



Marshall

United Way

(backpack program)



Come to VBS!

Watch for Information on Donations Needed for Vacation Bible School

Your Quest: To Serve, Lead and HAVE FUN at Vacation Bible School

Our quest takes place on July 19 through 22 from 9am to 3pm.

We are currently seeking lots of help from teachers and assistants to help with crafts, snacks and more! Please contact Tara at :

taramandt1cm@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

**BE STRONG
IN THE
LORD
AND IN THE
STRENGTH of
HIS POWER.
EPHESIANS 6:10**

Join us at Little Cedar July 19th through 22nd from 9am to 3pm for our Knights of North Castle VBS.

Your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they go on a quest in search of the King's Armor. They will become Knights and discover how to serve God and God's mission for their lives. After a high-energy opening assembly time, the Knights make their way to the Bible Story Station. Interactive Bible lessons reveal Castle Callouts to equip your Knights for an active life with God. Your Knights will discover a Banner Verse (Bible memory verse) that will remain with them in their faith long after VBS. The students will expand on what they have discovered by participating in a variety of activities: making their own art projects at the Craft Station, singing new songs at the Music Station, exploring wonders at the Science Station, playing games at the Recreation Station, and enjoying tasty treats at the Snack Station.

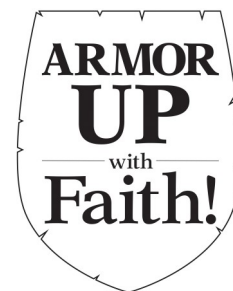
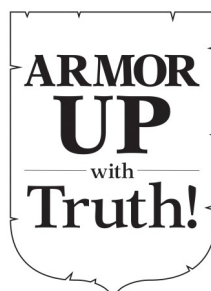
To register for Knights of North Castle, visit our website: <https://2020.cokesburyvbs.com/littlecedarvbs/>

The student must be 5 prior to VBS through completed 5th grade. Registration closes on June 21st but to be guaranteed a t-shirt, register by June 10th.

We can always use help so feel free to register to volunteer as well at the same link above!

Sincerely

Your Knights of North Castle Team!



Congratulations to our 2021 Graduating Seniors

Little Cedar

Avery Gena Medgaarden is attending Minnesota State University – Mankato this fall; majoring in Dental Hygiene. Her favorite high school memories are hanging out with friends and going to basketball games. Her favorite church memory was going to Houston, Texas for the ELCA Youth Gathering in 2018.

Lydia Lynn Wik currently plans on attending Southern New Hampshire University online and majoring in Developmental Psychology with an Emphasis on Child Development. Her future plans are to raise a family so she is considering things that she feels will benefit her as she embarks on the path towards motherhood. Her favorite high school memory was on an early morning before school. “I had just hidden a wrapped piano and drawing book in a friend’s locker. There was no label on it, the Art and Theatre Club was doing a take on Secret Santa where each member got assigned a few people that could use a pick-me-up during the holidays and then they would hide a gift in their locker. I’m sitting in the hallway nearby and the girl comes up to her locker. As she opens it, she spots the present, and her face lights up. Grabbing it she tears off the paper and gets a big smile looking at the gift. She looks at me and says, “Did you see who put this in here?” “No, I did not,” I reply. She then asks me to help her investigate who put it in there. We spend time thinking about who it could possibly be until she leaves for class. Another member of the club is also in the hallway, she looks at me and mouths, “Was it you?” I nod my head and the laughter could probably be heard in every classroom. The girl and “I” never did discover who put those piano and drawing books in her locker, but she loved using them!” Her favorite church memory is from a Confirmation lock-in when everyone was getting tired and went into the kitchen at around 4 AM to play Never Have I Ever. “I think some of us may have even fallen asleep in there.”

Marshall

Kelsey Ann Mensink is attending Minnesota State University – Mankato this fall but is undecided at the moment on her future plans! Her favorite high school memories are going to football games, student sections, sports, and being with friends. Her favorite church memories are the Confirmation lock-ins and the trip to Houston for the ELCA Youth Gathering in 2018.

Little Cedar and Marshall Churches wish you all the best as you start a new adventure in your journey!

We hold you and your families in our prayers!



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Present: John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Vicki Kiefer, Carol Matheis, Spencer Medgaarden, Chris Roser, Connie Sathre, Tracy Smith, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: Nancy Thalberg.

The meeting was called to order by co-chair, John Jax. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Devotions were given by Chris Roser.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Carol, seconded by Spencer to accept the April minutes as corrected. Carried.

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

Committee Reports:

Building: A new toilet is needed in the south women's restroom. Schmitz Electric will take care of the installation.

Daycare: The Daycare has been getting COVID grants for the last several months. This helps the daycare work with parents who may not be working because of COVID, etc. There is full staffing for the summer months, but the daycare is advertising for an assistant beginning in the fall. New carpet will be purchased for the playroom and the payment will be made from a grant from Freeborn-Mower Electric Coop and daycare funds.

Worship and Music: Lynn Johnson volunteered to help with planning worship and music. She will also help with keeping the pianos and organ tuned on a regular basis.

Pastor's Report: Pastor is meeting once a month with intern Marcia Pederson. The internship and mentorship are going well. Pastor is happy to be able to do worship services at the Health Care Center again.

Outstanding Business:

COVID and Precautions: A majority vote was taken and the following changes are made to COVID rules for the church and building: No masks will be required at worship or in the building unless personal choice, the Fellowship Hall is open for gatherings with no requirements, service groups will not be active for serving events until further notice. This policy will be reevaluated regularly depending on State guidelines. Social distancing is still recommended if possible.

New Business:

Water Meter: Tracy reported that he has had discussion with city worker, Craig Hegge. He recommended we install a back pressure valve on the boiler and install a new water meter in a more convenient place. We also have to have a couple pipes evaluated for asbestos. Motion by Tracy, seconded by Carol that we get a back pressure valve on the boiler, have a couple small pipes by current water meter tested for asbestos, and have new water meter installed. Carried.

Stove and Oven: Tracy did research on industrial ranges as the ovens in our current range don't work and don't seem to be repairable. Motion by Jan, seconded by Vicki, we purchase a Southbend six burner stove at the price of \$1656 base price. Carried.

The next meeting is Wednesday, June 16, at 7:30 p.m. Millie will give devotions. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness~Little Cedar Council Secretary



Minutes Respectfully submitted by, Dawn Kiefer, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink President.
<p><i>Pastor Jeremy updates:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Informs that visits to the nursing home and services are going well. Pastors Jeremy and Marcia will likely rotate for services, alternating between them. ● Confirmation has concluded for the year. ● VBS planned for 7/19 – 22. Children 5 yrs. - 6th grade children are invited to participate. ● Graduation recognition – Sunday 5/23 during services. ● Baccalaureate planned for Sunday, 5/23 at 4pm in the Sacred Heart auditorium. ● Note that Commencement will be held Sunday, 5/30 at the football field unless inclement weather. ● Brief discussion of outside services over the summer – Council will revisit next month.
<p>Secretary and financial/treasurer’s reports were reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total offering for April \$3200.00/ \$162.00 COM for Neighbor in Need. ● May Cause of the Month offering will be for Vacation Bible School. ● Group discusses \$500 Neighbor in Need donation, through ELC or LWR, to India Relief. Motion for contribution made by Gary with second from Darrell. Motion carried. ● PPP loan for \$7000 processed. Note that it is unlikely we will receive the second loan. <p>Motion to accept reports from Gary with second from Chris. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No changes to current COVID action plan. ● Piano has been claimed and removed. ● Summer Lawn care – Group agrees to increase lawn care payment by 10% (\$165.00 per) as costs for equipment, fuel, etc. have gone up. Gary moves to endorse increase with second from Kevin. Motion carried. ● Chris offers to contact Mike Bustad regarding patch of paved road. Wondering if perhaps Christian Brothers might repair/replace while they are working on Co. 8? There is approximately 10ft where services roads intersect that is in need of repair.
<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pastor wonders if Marshall/Little Cedar parishes might be interested in sponsoring a migrant family? Council expresses interest but would like to better understand requirements/expectation, etc. Pastor Jeremy will solicit information regarding to share with Council at an upcoming meeting. Intent of the program is to assist a family with acclimation/transition to new environment. ● Spring Clean-up proposed for Saturday, May 15 – bring your own tools – rake, etc. Kathy to note in the bulletin.
<p>Motion to adjourn from Gary with second from Chris. Meeting closed with The Lord’s Prayer.</p> <p><i>Dawn Kiefer</i> –Secretary Marshall Council</p>

