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August 2022



Psalm 18

- ¹ I love you, Lord, my strength.
- ² The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,
my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
- ³ I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise,
and I have been saved from my enemies.



Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches!!

As I write this month's newsletter article, I find myself in St. Louis with 9 youth. We are spending our time learning, serving, and having some fun. One of the things we will be doing is visiting a couple of local churches. St. Louis has many beautiful places to worship. When the family and I were in Europe, we visited many churches as well.

In any city, from the biggest booming city to the smallest most modest village. You can find places of worship. The bell tower of the church typically towers over the rest of the town as a symbol of refuge and of Christ's presence. They were places that we can go to not just in times of need, but also in times of joy and celebration. We worship to be reminded of who we give thanks to in all circumstances.

At the center of our faith is Christ. Christ is the one who has redeemed us from the rubble. Christ is the one in whom we go to and give praise. In times of need we go to Christ. Christ is our rock and our refuge.

Peace, Pr. Jeremy



Important Dates

August 3rd
Marshall Council

August 17th
Little Cedar Council

August 20th
Marshall
Ladies Day Out

Looking Ahead

September 11th
Rally Sunday/Backpack Blessing

LWR Kits

Its time to start collecting School Supplies for LWR School Kits
INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING IN EACH SCHOOL KIT FOUR

70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper, approximately 8" x 10 1/2"; no loose leaf paper
ONE 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other

ONE pencil sharpener ~ ONE box of 16 or 24 crayons ~ ONE 2 1/2" eraser
ONE pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
FIVE unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
FIVE black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band



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

Sue Hamilton-Quinn ~ Charlotte Anderson ~ Gloria Mallory
Mavis Klautdt ~ Judy Johnson ~ Gerald Meier

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

Deaths:

M: John L. Munson

Weddings:

LC: Colton Mandt & McKendry Kennedy

Baptism:

LC: Ava Lynne Nelson ~ Parents Adam & Kimberley



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



How is possible that summer is half over already?! I haven't been able to take some much needed time off this summer with the wonderful assistants I have. I'm going to be really sad when most of them go back to college and high school. With that being said, we are still currently looking to hire an assistant for the fall and beyond with the potential of becoming director in the future. Please spread the word. We celebrated the Fourth of July by making some tie dyed shirts for each of the kiddos. The kids made a flag kite and enjoyed doing that. We displayed them over our table in the daycare. Other crafts we have made were butterflies and popsicles. We have been going on walks to the school park and playing at the practice field behind the daycare. The children like to get out of the fence every once in a while! The sprinklers have been running quite a bit with all these warm days. Freezies have definitely been enjoyed, too! One of our future babies was born this month! A current family had a sweet baby boy and he will be joining us at daycare in the fall. Can't wait!! Hope you're well and staying cool!

Kate Wiste ~ Little Cedar Daycare Director

MARSHALL LADIES DAY OUT SAT. AUG. 20TH

Lunch & Play "Leading Ladies" in Lansboro

Cost \$35.00

Meet @ Marshall at 10am

sign up sheet @ Marshall or call Judy Hanson @ 582-3310

Deadline to sign up-Aug. 7th

Marshall

Cause of the Month for August

"Salvation Army"

SOUTHEASTERN MINNESOTA SYNODICAL WOMENS' ORGANIZATION CONVENTION

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

810 3RD AVE. SE

ROCHESTER, MN 55904

Registration/Coffee: 8:00—9:15am

Business Session 1: 8:10—9:15am

Gathering Music Welcome: 9:15am

Keynote Speaker: Author Kim Kane

Empowering Women Aging in Gratitude

Churchwide Message

Bible Study

Lunch

Special Music

Business Session 2: 1:30—2:30pm

Installation of Officers by

Churchwide Representative

Closing Worship: 3:00pm

Registration Form Deadline: September 2, 2022

Diane Linbo 507-634-6602

Question Contacts:

Judi Mickelson 651-764-3575 or

Linda Sanborg 507-835-2881

Cost \$25.00



Worship Assistants & Service

Little Cedar Service Group #3

Co-Chairs: Tara Mandt and Sam & John Mueller

**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 we all get!

- Jim & Lynn Johnson
- Brenda & Chris Landherr
- Mike & Lisa Lamp
- Linda Anderson
- Lucas & Emma Mandt
- Ed & Carol Koch
- Carol Lagerstedt
- Dave & Susan Lagerstedt
- Jill Sathre
- Chans & Holly Meyer
- Nancy Decker
- Vicki Kiefer
- Marcia Mullenbach
- Patricia & Ron Milks
- Phillip Milks

Communion Clean-Up
August 7 and 21

Deliver Meals on Wheels
August 1 through 12

Coffee Hour
None

And any functions that are requested



Little Cedar Readers

August 7
Cindy Jax

August 14
Jim Osmundson

August 21
John Logsdon

August 28
Joni Osmundson

Youth & Education News

Sunday School Save the Date

September 11th—Sunday School Rally Sunday and Backpack Blessing

September 25th—Little Cedar Sunday School Class Starts



Confirmation Save the Date

September 14th—Parent/Student Meeting—6th, 7th and 8th Grade

September 21st—Class Starts



Youth Group Save the Date

September 11th—Senior High Meeting

September 25th—Junior High Meeting



St. Louis Youth Trip

♥Thank you for all your prayers and donations! Here is a little bit about our trip!

Day 1 - Sunday, July 24

We started our day with a Joint worship service at Little Cedar at 9:30am. It was a very nice service to send us on this faith journey. After about 7 hours and a few bathroom breaks, we arrived at our VRBO house. We settled in, had some St. Louis pizza, did our Bible study, then it was off for a late night swim. The house has a very nice pool which is good because it is hot down here! Our first lesson was God's boundless love for us. We discussed that love has no labels. God's love cannot be contained so we need to be free in sharing it. We are deeply rooted in God's love, a love so big it's unimaginable. Our worth and value as a child of God is through who we are and whose we are. You can't love other humans without loving yourself. Self-doubt, lack of self-worth, knowing our value is something we all struggle with.

Day 2 - Monday, July 25

We enjoyed the sites of St. Louis today. We spent the day at Forest Park enjoying the fountains and gardens and then on to the Zoo. There were a few sprinkles but nothing could stop us from our fun. Some of our favorites were the hippos, elephants, prairie dogs, painted dogs, penguins and puffins!! We had tickets to ride the tram up to the top of the Gateway Arch. We had some time so we could tour the museum and explore. We all enjoyed the sites from 630 feet in the air! We ate supper at Soda Fountain in Union Station. It had good food and awesome ice cream. **Our Bible study** was on forgiveness today. We read from Genesis 50:15-21. We had great discussion on how forgiveness can be so hard but yet is so very important. There is so much hurt and pain in the world. God will help us ease that pain with forgiveness.

Day 3 - Tuesday, July 26

So we had a stormy night. Apparently it's the worst rain in 140 years. 21 inches. It was a long night of thunder, lightning and rain! We kept getting emergency alerts on our phones. Thankfully our house is up high so we were not in the flooding. The basement got a little wet but the owner came right away to soak up the water. We stayed at the house longer then in the morning and did our Bible study first. The rain kept us from our church tours but we were still able to go to the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis for noon mass. It is so beautiful there. The service was a great experience for all of us. We then went to play at City Museum. The rain kept us from the full experience but the kids (including Pastor Jeremy, our big kid) had a great time "playing". It was hot and humid in there now after all the rain so we needed to cool off and it was too early to eat so we headed to IKEA for a few hours. Most kids had never been there. They had a great time and it was fun to watch them use their imaginations. Supper was at Sugarfire Smokehouse. The food was very good. Everyone was stuffed! When we got back there was more swimming and we had a great discussion about the Basilica while the kids enjoyed the water. **Our Bible study** was on God's invitation and how Mary felt in Luke 1:26-55. We shared how it feels to be invited and spent time discussing how God invites everyone in to His story; no matter your race, gender or social status. What an honor it is to receive such a wonderful invitation!

Day 4 - Wednesday, July 27

Today was our last full day in St. Louis. It was a wonderful day of service and ministry. We started the day packaging food for Wings of Love/Crisis Aid. This is a wonderful ministry that was an honor for us to share in. We worked with wonderful, appreciative people and the kids did great work. We finally made it for custard at Ted Drewes! They had way to many choices. Then we were off to shop for school supplies and deliver them to Good Shepherd, Pastor Jeremy's friend Pastor Josh Brecht is the Senior Pastor there. We then toured the museum of Dred Scott. It was a wonderful history lesson for us all. Our final Bible study was on God's promises. His promises to us are never broken and He makes them new at the same time. We read from John 11:17-27 where Mary and Martha were upset with Jesus for not being there for Lazarus and the promises that came from that experience. We discussed the promises made at our Baptism and Confirmation as well as the importance of keeping the ones we make.

Day 5 - Thursday, July 28

What a wonderful trip this has been. We were blessed with great kids and we pray this was a wonderful stop on their faith journey timeline. We are safely home, ready to rest and then go out and share God's boundless love, forgiveness, invitation and promise.



Minutes— respectfully submitted, Tricia Kulow, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Andrew Sprau, Vice Chairman
<p>Pastor Jeremy updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pastor Jeremy is leaving on Friday, June 3rd to begin his sabbatical. ● Pastor Dwight Dobell will begin on Sunday, June 5th. Pastor Dobell will do a nursing home service in July. ● Pastor Jeremy said that he has visited the shut-ins before his sabbatical. ● The Vacation Bible School will be 2 or 3 evening events during the summer months instead of the week. ● The Youth trip to St. Louis is still being planned (service work, museums, etc). An AirBnB has been rented for the group to stay in. ● On July 24 there will be a joint service at Little Cedar to have a sendoff for the youth group trip.
<p>Secretary and financial/treasurer's reports were reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total offering for May 18,110/ \$ 401.50 for Vacation Bible School. ● June Cause of the Month offering will be for the United Way (backpack program). <p>Motion to accept reports from Darrell with a question about the \$290.62 bill at Heimer Foods for the Youth. with second from Gib. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No change to COVID plan ● Thank you to all those who helped with the clean-up. ● No Constitution review report. ● St. John's internship situation has not changed. ● There does not seem to be much interest in using a TV or screen to project our church order of service on at this time. Discussed purchasing a newer TV for showing videos etc. during the church service. Andrew will bring in a 42 TV to see if we feel that would be large enough
<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The church did not sustain any hail damage in the most recent storm ● The fencing around the church needs to be looked and possibly be replaced soon. ● Motion by Darrell to cancel the July Church Council meeting with a second by Kevin. Motion carried
Motion to adjourn from Kevin with second from Darrel Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Darrell Gordon (T)	X	Jan Johnson (D)		Len Mensink (T)	X
Carie Hanson (treasurer)	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Gib Siemers (T)	X
Kevin Hanson (T)	X	Gary Kulow (D)	X	Andrew Sprau (T)	X
Dale Himebaugh (financial secy)	X	Tricia Kulow (secy)		Kathy Voigt (D)	



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on **Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at 7:30 p.m.** in the narthex. Present: John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Carol Matheis, Spencer Medgaarden, Holly Meyer, Nancy Thalberg, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: Chris Roser, Connie Sathre, Tracy Smith.

The meeting was called to order by Spencer. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Devotions were given by Pastor Jeremy.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Holly, seconded by John to accept the secretary's report with the correction of the spelling of Pastor Dobell's name. Carried.

Correspondence: A thank you was read from St. Peter's Church in Rose Creek thanking Little Cedar for the use of a classroom for religious release classes.

Financial Report: Millie reviewed the reports from the last two months and the year up to date. We are about \$11,000 behind last year's donations. Millie informed us that there will be three children going to Good Earth Village for Bible camp. The church pays 50% of the balance of registration after WELCA gives their donation toward registration. Millie noted that we haven't made a donation to Good Earth Village yet this year. Motion by Millie, seconded by Nancy to give \$1000 to GEV out of lutefisk funds. Carried.

-Motion by Holly, seconded by Lynn, to challenge the congregation to match the council's donation of \$500 to Bung Jot Nyigou's seminary expenses to prepare for ministry to his native congregation in Austin. This will be the Cause of the Month for September and October. The donation will come from lutefisk funds. Carried. Pastor will give more information to the congregation beginning in September.

-Motion by John, seconded by Carol to accept the treasurer's report as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

Building: The adjuster will be here soon to assess the possible hail damage to the roof.

Cemetery: The committee has a meeting scheduled for next week.

Daycare: Kate is still looking for a part-time assistant beginning in September. Daycare fees will be raised by 5 % for the next contract period.

Finance: The committee will be meeting soon

Personnel: Carol will be setting up meetings mid-year meetings with employees soon.

Youth and Education: Tara and Pastor will be leaving Sunday to take nine LYO members to St. Louis for a mission trip.

Worship and Music: There will be a joint worship service with Marshall at 9:30 a.m. this coming Sunday, July 24.

Pastor's Report:

-Update on St. John's Elkton- The congregation has approved a contract for pastoral services from Evanger Lutheran Church.

Outstanding Business: None

New Business:

-The school has requested us of our building for a couple fundraisers. The request is to use our parking lot for a car wash and to use the kitchen and fellowship hall for a spaghetti dinner on back- to- school night, August 30. Motion by Jan, seconded by John to allow the school to use the parking lot for a car wash and to charge \$75 for use of the fellowship hall which includes custodial fees for the dinner. Carried.

-Motion by Jan, seconded by Millie to have a meatball dinner on Sunday, November 6, 2022. Carried. Details will be determined at the next council meeting.

Devotions for the August meeting will be given by Jan. Next meeting is Wednesday, August 17, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.



Jan Weness, Secretary