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# Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



## September 2021



### 1 Corinthians 12: 4-13

*4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines.*

*12 The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. 13 For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. 14 Now the body is not made up of one part but of many.*

### GREETINGS LITTLE CEDAR AND MARSHALL LUTHERAN CHURCHES,

We are each given different gifts to work in church. We are each called to work in the church in a variety of ways, with no ones gift being better than another. There are many parts, but they form one body; the body of Christ.

Confirmation for our 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders starts up again in just a short couple of weeks. At the core of our confirmation program is for the students to learn what it means to be a church. We want them to experience everything that makes a church a church. They spend time wrestling with scripture and the catechism. They spend time exploring the church building. They learn about worship, communion, the organ, piano, hymnals, altar, and paraments. They serve as ushers and communion assistants. They learn with their mentors. We join in food and fellowship. We have fun. We pray for each other and our community. We take care of our church building. We serve our neighbors and the world through service work.

As a church we are called to be the body of Christ to the world. We are called to proclaim the Gospel, worship with Christ as the center, nurture each other in faith, and reach out to those in need, the community, the world and all of creation. At the core of what it means to be church is to love God and love our neighbor.

This work is a work that can't be done alone, but is a work that we do together as the church. As we embark together into the busyness of the school year, Sunday school, Confirmation, Friends & Fellowship, other programs, and holiday season, I look forward to the work that we will do together. I hope that we can embolden, encourage, and empower each other and share our gifts as we gather together as the body of Christ. So as we venture together this year, I encourage you to share your gifts with the church as you feel called by God. It is a gift to the church, the community, and the world.

In Christ,

*Pastor Jeremy*



**Important Dates**

September 1st  
Marshall Council

September 6th  
Labor Day Office Closed

September 12th  
Rally Sunday/Backpack Blessing

September 15th  
Little Cedar Council



**SEPTEMBER**

**2021**

**COVID News for Little Cedar and Marshall!**

With Covid cases on the rise, we will be going back to masking during worship. Worship will still continue as usual, we just ask for masking to keep our community safe and healthy. We ask you to use your best judgement for other general use of the buildings. Thanks for your help!



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

Mary Finbraaten ~ Mavis Klaudt ~Gloria Mallory~Judy Johnson  
Emmett Mueller~Logan Rodberg~Ruth Leibrand



**Baptisms @ Little Cedar:**

RaeLynne & Addylin Voigt ~ Mother Amy Voigt

**Funerals:**

LC ~ Charles "Chuck" Prescott

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

**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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"Do not worry about anything; instead pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank Him for everything He has done."

*Phil 4:6*

We have been searching for either two part time assistants or one full time assistant for a few months. We have been unsuccessful, so please everyone, send a prayer to God that we fill the job! We have enjoyed many pool days since the weather has been wonderful. We are very blessed to have gotten new carpet for our whole playroom with thanks to a grant from Freeborn Mower Cooperative. It's amazingly soft and it cuts down on noise when we are all playing inside. The kids, and staff, are taking in as much sunshine as we can before we get back to school and the sun isn't as warm! We said farewell to a couple of our part time assistants who left for college. We will miss them dearly!



*Kate Wiste ~*  
Little Cedar Daycare Director

In today's rush, we all think too much,  
seek too much, want too much,  
and forget about the joy of just being.

*joy* *Eckhart Tolle*  
German spiritual teacher

**Cause of the Month for September**

**Marshall**

**"Socks For the City"**

**Central Lutheran Homeless Ministry**



Mary Finbraaten would like to thank everyone for the wonderful Birthday Cards she received. She was very surprised and appreciative.



Our first **Senior High LYO** meeting will be **Sunday, September 12th**. We will plan our calendar and elect our officers. Watch your email for details on time and location.

This is for all 9th through 12th grade students at Little Cedar and Marshall.

We will have an informational/registration meeting for the 2022 Youth Gathering on Sunday, September 12th at Little Cedar. This is for all students in 8th through 12th grade.

Watch your emails for times and further details.

We are excited to finally be able to plan this event!

Our first **Junior High LYO** meeting will be **Sunday, September 26th**. Watch your email for details on time and location.

This is for all 6th through 8th grade students at Little Cedar and Marshall.

**Rally Sunday** is Sunday, September 12th at Little Cedar and Marshall during regular worship. We will have a backpack blessing and welcome our students back to Sunday School.

#### **At Little Cedar**

Cradle Roll Hearts will be presented to our 3-year-olds: Connor Chamberlin, Finley Felten, Addilynn Johnson & Luciana Rembao  
Bibles will be presented to our 2nd Graders: Hayden Felten, Adrian Mergen, Blakely Meyer, Jackson Schotanus, RaeLynne Voigt & Grayson Wiste

#### **At Marshall**

The Cradle Roll Heart will be presented to our 3-year-old: Rhett Hanson  
Bibles will be presented to our 3rd graders: Kenzie Canterbury & Addie McKay



**Little Cedar Sunday School will start on Sunday, September 26th following worship**

### **Confirmation**

There will be a 6th, 7th & 8th grade Parent/Student meeting on Wednesday, September 15th at 6:30pm. We will discuss the plan for the year and have a meal sign-up.


\*7th Graders—be sure to have an idea for a Mentor before the meeting if you have not all ready told Tara.

### **Worship Assistants**

This fall we will go back to our worship assistant duties at Little Cedar and Marshall. Watch for emails and schedules coming out soon. We will again help with reading, communion, ushering and lighting candles.

This is for grades 5th through 12th.

**Minutes**—respectfully submitted by, Dawn Kiefer, Marshall Council Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink President.
Pastor Jeremy updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Preschool VBS at the end of August 25, 26. To be held in the evening with parents.</li> <li>● Meeting with St. John’s council in August for mid-review.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Prep for fall conversation and planning for next year (Carie, Len, Dawn).</li> </ul> </li> <li>● LC received donation from Pat Hinz memorial for music and services (screen &amp; projector).                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Would Marshall be interested in purchasing similar equipment?</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Elementary Religious Release will continue to take place on Thursday.</li> <li>● Middle and High school students will have Religious Release during block schedule on Wednesdays beginning in November</li> </ul>
Secretary and financial/treasurer’s reports were reviewed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Total offering for June/July \$6605.00/ \$153.00 COM for UW Backpack program/Southland Angel Fund.</li> <li>● August Cause of the Month offering will be for the Salvation Army.</li> </ul> Motion to accept reports from Gary with second from Kathy. Motion carried
<b>Old Business:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● COVID action plan. Using current Mower County status as a guideline, congregations are asked to mask for church services at this time.</li> <li>● Co. 4 road work completed – seal-coat Marshall frontage revisit next month.                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Gary to inquire with Roger/Austin, quote for \$5,000.00 received.</li> <li>○ Christian Brothers – estimate to be updated</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Fence repair/replacement pending. ○ Andrew’s terrible joke – insert here.. ☺</li> <li>● Migrant family sponsorship – to be revisited when Pastor is able to provide information regarding.</li> </ul> 
<b>New Business:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● NON AT THIS TIME</li> </ul>
Motion to adjourn from Andrew with second from Carie. Meeting closed with The Lord’s Prayer.  <i>Dawn Kiefer</i> -Secretary Marshall Council

**Members:**

Darrell Gordon (T)	NA	Dale Himebaugh (treasurer)	X	Len Mensink* (T)	X
Carie Hanson (financial secy)	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Gib Siemers (T)	X
Kevin Hanson (T)	NA	Gary Kulow (D)	X	Andrew Sprau (T)	X
Chris Himebaugh (D)	X	Dawn Kiefer (Secy)	X	Kathy Voigt (D)	X

## Little Cedar Council Meeting Minutes August 5, 2021

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. Present: Jeremy Johnson, Carol Matheis, Spencer Medgaarden, Chris Roser, Connie Sathre, Nancy Thalberg, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: John Jax, Lynn Johnson, Vicki Kiefer, Tracy Smith.

The meeting was called to order by co-chair Spencer. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Prayer was given by Millie.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion by Millie, seconded by Connie to accept the June minutes as printed. Carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Millie reviewed the report and answered questions. Motion by Jan, seconded by Carol to accept the report as printed. Carried.

### **Committee Reports:**

**-Daycare:** Kate is looking for part-time help. New carpet is being installed in the playroom.

**-Personnel:** The committee will be meeting with all the staff soon.

**-Youth and Education:** Tara submitted a written report which is attached to the minutes. Motion by Nancy, seconded by Carol for Little Cedar to provide financial support for Tara to attend the Extravaganza to be held February 11-14, 2022, which is preparation for the Youth Gathering to be held next summer in Minneapolis. Tara would be paid for her regular work hours for that week.

Carried.

**-Worship and Music:** Pastor explained the breakdown of the costs of projector and screen to be used in the sanctuary for worship. Liturgy and music would be projected during worship. The funds for the project were given in memory of Pat Hinz. Motion by Carol, seconded by Nancy to proceed with the purchase of the projector and screen using the memorial money donated in honor of Pat Hinz. Carried.

### **Pastor's Report:**

**-St. John's Intern-** All is going well with intern Marsha at St. John's. Pastor meets with her once a week.

**-Campsite Worship-** Pastor Jeremy will have a campsite worship at St. John's Elkton on Sunday, August 29, at 6:00 p.m. All from Little Cedar and Marshall are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### **Outstanding Business:**

**-COVID-** Council has decided that we will go back to wearing masks at worship and in the Fellowship Hall with large groups beginning Sunday, August 22.

### **New Business**

**-Real Hope for the Hungry Food Pack:** Tara and Pastor will set a date this fall for a food pack at Little Cedar.

**-Lutefisk Dinner:** It was decided that Little Cedar would only have a drive through meatball dinner this fall because of COVID. Date is to be determined.

**-Larry Smith Fundraiser:** Motion by Nancy, seconded by Spencer to give \$250 to the Larry Smith fundraiser on August 25, with the money to come from the lutefisk fund. Carried.

Devotions for September will be given by Nancy. Cause of the Month for September and October is Real Hope for the Hungry. Meeting adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness, Secretary

