



August 2014



Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



Ephesians 3:18-21

¹⁸ I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰ Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches!!

As I write this month's newsletter article, I find myself amongst VBS week! We have 75+ kids joining us and countless junior high, high school, and adult helpers. The church is busting at the seams! This years theme for Vacation Bible School is "Workshop of Wonders: Imagine and build with God!"

And what a fun week it has been! Kids have such an imagination! A broom becomes a horse...a laundry basket a rocket ship...a living room becomes a grand ballroom...and a cardboard box becomes a fort.

As a church, that is part of what we are called to do. Imagine with God. We are called to imagine a world with no more hurt and pain. Imagine a world where no one is hungry. Imagine a world where all feel loved and filled with grace. Imagine a world where everyone can live life to the fullest!

It is in first imagining such a world, that we can be bold enough to bring that world into a world. As we hear in Ephesians 3, with God we can accomplish so many things; more than we can ever imagine. It is joining together with God and imagining greater and better things that we can be bold enough to join together with God to build up others around us and bring dreams into realities!

The mission project for this week was our Southland Community Foodshelf. The food shelf is such an incredible example of the how this church and community joins together to "Imagine and Build with God!" Thanks be to God!

Peace, Pr. Jeremy



Important Dates

August 1st
VBS

August 6th

Marshall Council

August 12th

Lawn Breakfast

@ Jim & Joni's

August 20th

Little Cedar Council

Kudos to: ♥

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Jan Weness for constructing and displaying the beautiful banners at the front doors of the church. She has been doing this since our 150th Anniversary in 2009!



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

June Nelson ~ Doug Carpenter ~ Steve Vangsness
 Marge Bartholmey ~ Curt Hamilton ~Lois Lewison
 Arvis Gunderson ~ Val Pitzen ~ Jim Bustad
 Steve Bamrick~ Norma Larson
 Erik Gunderson (grandson of Jim & Joni Osmundson & Arvis)
 Raeann Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)
 Lorrie Meier-Helfritz and family ~ Tammy Klennert Boelman and family



Burials @ Marshall: Larry Helfritz (Husband of Lorrie Meier)

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 August 2014

Marshall

“Southland Foodshelf”

Little Cedar

“Little Cedar Daycare”



Quilters meet at Little Cedar

August 4th @ 1:00pm

Friends & Fellowship

No Meeting Until September

More Opportunities to help our Youth



Get organized in style while supporting our youth! Purchase Thirty-One products (totes, purses, thermals, etc.) from our youth fundraiser and 25% of your purchase goes towards their Detroit Youth Gathering trip. Or-

der online at <http://www.mythirtyone.com/shop/catalog.aspx?eventId=E4706405&from=DIRECTLINK> or call

Sandy Johnson at 481-4393 or find a youth today! Orders due by August 12th. Thanks for your support!

Roof Update!



We wanted to update everyone on the progress of replacing the roof over education wing of the church. All major work has been complete. The asphalt roof has been replaced, and metal cap, and fascia around perimeter of roof has been replaced as well. You will notice the metal work around that part of the church looks nice and shiny! We do have some repairs to complete on the ceiling of the fellowship hall where water had leaked in. As far as the capital campaign goes, approximately \$40,000 of the needed \$55,000 has been received or pledged to complete the roof. A huge thank you to all who have given or pledged towards this effort. Our church is blessed by you! We give thanks!! If you haven't had an opportunity to pledge or donate to the campaign yet, we'd ask that you'd prayerfully consider! We will periodically update all of you on our progress towards this goal.

To help raising additional funds, a lawn breakfast is being planned at Jim and Joni Osmundson's home on Tuesday, August 12th. Thank you Jim and Joni! The details can be found in the Churchmouse.

Thank you again! If anyone has any questions, please let any of the council members know.

In Christ, Little Cedar Council

Lutefisk News



We will have a lutefisk dinner this year if we get 2 people or 2 couples to help with the planning. During the past few years several chairmen of different areas of the dinner have done the planning. They are willing to work with a new committee this year but we cannot expect them to continue to organize AND work the extra hours they do at the dinner. If you are willing to take on this responsibility, please call the office (582-3185) or Pat Hinz (582-3466). Please don't make us come looking for you!!!

Thank you so much to all those who donated items to Vacation Bible School. We had a great week and those donations make it all possible. A very big thank you to those who donated meals and helped in the kitchen. It is so nice to be able to offer the kids a good healthy meal on the crazy, hot days of VBS. See the Youth page for more info on VBS.

Service Group #6

Larry & Ann Tompkins Co-Chairperson (582-7743)

John & Cindy Jax Co-Chairperson (582-7797)

Nancy Thalberg (582-3300)

Nancy Smith Family (582-7826)

Al & Pat Sorenson (582-3223)

Mark & Lilly Sorenson Family (438-6354)

Randy & Janet Stephenson (433-7582)

Kerry Stroup (437-4329)

Jon & Laura Stroup (438-8995)

Virgil Bergene (582-3254)

Cathy Sumner (440-5068)

LeRoy & Karen Swanson (582-3416)

Marlo & Marilyn Thorstenson (582-3605)

Dean Tipton (582-3417)

Randy & RoeAnn Voigt (582-7717)

Kendal & Deb Klaehn (582-3224)

Beau & Holly Voigt (272-3840)

Jill Sheehan Family (434-9622)

Tracy & Angie Smith (440-5404)

Jon Thalberg

Gretchen Thome



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August

Communion Clean-up

3rd & 17th

Deliver Meals on Wheels I

1th thru 22nd

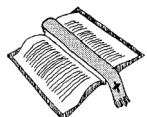
Serve any funerals held

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

Head Usher for August

Bryce Nelson

507-325-4535



August Readers

August 3rd ~ Marlene Hanson

August 10th ~

August 17th ~ June Wolf

August 24th ~ Lyn Meany

August 31st ~ Sandy Johnson



Youth activities



Contact Tara if you are still interested in signing up for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in 2015. Please be sure to promote the Schwan's fundraiser and the Thirty-One fundraiser that we currently have going!

Schwans-Cares Fundraiser: The LYO has started their first fundraiser for their trip to Detroit in 2015. It is a super easy and delicious fundraiser! All you have to do is go to <https://schwans.flipgive.com/campaigns/10024-lyo-detroit-2015/fundraisers#content> and pick a student you would like to support or call 1-855-870-7208 and mention that you are purchasing for the LYO Detroit 2015 fundraiser and we will receive 20 to 40% of your purchase and the items will be delivered right to your door! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tara Mandt. Watch for the bulletin board going up soon with more details too.

Confirmation News

Hey 7th and 8th Graders

Watch for info coming out about the start of Confirmation classes this fall!!

Educational News

Workshop of Wonders

Vacation Bible School

The 2014 VBS is in the record books and what a record it was!
We had 75 students and 25 leaders & helpers!

VBS was a great success. If you want to see pictures, feel free to check out our Facebook pages or our website.

Thank you to all that participated (students, leaders, helpers and volunteers, staff) and contributed to the success of a great week. We thank God for this opportunity to share the Word of God with so many people.

We learned countless ways to imagine, build, grow, work and walk with God. We thank God for letting us experience his power this week and for bring us his son Jesus who showed us how to follow the blueprint for our lives and helps us make the ordinary EXTRAORDINARY!

Thank you to the congregation for all the wonderful donations and for all the members who donated meals and worked in our kitchen! It wouldn't be possible without you!

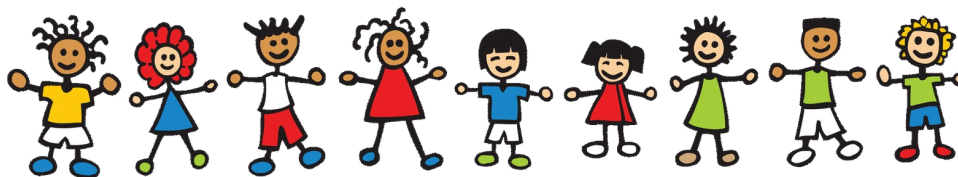
Little Cedar Sunday School News

I know it seems hard to believe but Sunday School will be right around the corner!

Rally Sunday at Little Cedar is
Sunday, September 7th.

♥♥♥August Cause of the Month for Little Cedar ♥♥♥

Little Cedar Daycare!! Yeah! We are looking to add a lot of new things to our daycare and would appreciate any monetary donations to make this possible! Through your monetary donations, a few items we are looking at adding are: a new cd player, water table, swing for our outside equipment and many others! If you would rather purchase an item, please talk to us so we can give you a few ideas. Thank you for helping us out!!



Help Us Raise Money For Our Roof!

IT'S A LAWN BREAKFAST! RAIN OR SHINE!

Tuesday, August 12th

7:30-11:30 a.m.



@

**Jim & Joni Osmundson's Home
68362 150th Street~Adams, MN**

******The Bridge maybe out, so come from the East******

***Proceeds will go to new roof for
Little Cedar Lutheran's Educational Wing**

***Not responsible for accidents**



Do you love to receive homemade cards?

Have you ever thought about making your own?

Make and Take Homemade cards at our August Ladies' Night!

There will be work stations set up around the room with materials (some precut for convenience) to make the displayed cards at each station. Some will be very easy and others will be a bit more challenging. You choose which cards you want to make and how many.

The cost for each card is \$1.50.



Marshall Church Council Meeting Minutes

July 2nd, 2014

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

The meeting was called to order by Dale and Pastor Jeremy lead us in devotions. The Secretary's report from June was read. Carie gave the Financial Secretary's report with the total offering for the month of April being \$4810. Cause of the Month offering was \$244.75. Luvern gave the Treasure's report and reported a \$1000 donation had been made to the building fund. Jerry made a motion that the reports be accepted as read with Darrel seconding the motion. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Pastor will be out the next 2 Sundays. Little Cedar's roofing company (Schwigert's) will give us an estimate to do formed steel on the steeple. They have done them in the past. Confirmed that the endowment fund is set up for education uses and camp fees for members. Donations can be added to it.

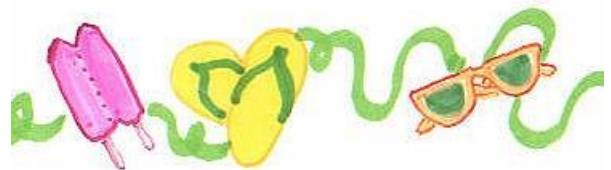
NEW BUSINESS: Cause of the Month for Aug. will be the "Southland Food Shelf" and Sept will be "Socks in the City". Jerry made a motion that a cash fund be available for Pastor whenever he needs it to help someone. Craig 2nd and the motion passed. Jerry also moved that we give Little Cedar \$200 for meals during VBS. Andrew 2nd the motion and it passed. The new insurance man was out to inspect the church and said most things looked good. He offered a few suggestions for minor improvements that Dale will look into.

Jerry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Craig seconded. The motion carried.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by:

Karina Mensink, Council Secretary



Little Cedar Church Council Minutes

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church Council met on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 @7:30pm. Members present: Karen Anderson, Becky Hartwig, Pat Hinz, Jim Johnson, Joe Matheis, Tricia Milks, Rod Nordeng, Cathy Roser, Mary Schmitz, Nancy Smith, Millie Weness, Linda Gilles and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members absent: Tracy Smith and Lani Wolff. The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Hinz.

DEVOTIONS/PRAYER: Pastor Jeremy Johnson

APPROVAL of COUNCIL MINUTES: A motion was made by Mary Schmitz, seconded by Joe Matheis to approve the June 2014 Council Minutes and the June 25th Special Council Minutes, as printed. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION of VISITORS:

Good Earth Village: received a Congregational Giving Statement.

TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Millie Weness. Discussion was held on the Account Balances Report and the Treasurer's Report by Account. Nancy Smith presented the Offerings report. There will be a follow up letter sent to members and a note in the Churchmouse, about the status of the roof.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Building: Joe Matheis reported that the lawn mower was fixed, at no charge to the church, by Kent Anderson. A letter of thanks will be sent to Kent for doing this, by Council Secretary. Roof work is complete. Joe spoke to Dave Kirtz, from L & M Boilers, to get information on servicing/cleaning the boiler. Cost would be \$85/hour, for labor. A motion was made by Karen Anderson, seconded by Becky Hartwig, to inquire with Dave Heimer on what he has done previously in cleaning the boiler, what he thinks needs to be done and to get a bid for the work. Motion carried. Discussion on the sealing of the parking lot, which was approved by council in 2013 but was unable to be completed in 2013, due to the weather. Joe will look into this.

B. Cemetery: no report

C. Daycare: no report

D. Finance: no report

E. Life & Missions: no report

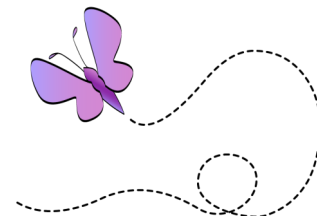
F. Personnel: no report

G. Youth & Education: no report

H. Worship & Music: no report

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Jeremy reported that 8 youth will be attending the Sunshine festival, VBS is July 28-Aug 1, and that in his absence, July 20 and 27th are both covered. Tara's laptop is in need of replacement. Discussion followed.

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Little Cedar Council Minutes continued~**OUTSTANDING BUSINESS:**

Lutefisk Dinner: still in need of volunteers to head this up.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Memorial Committee was discussed.
- B. August Cause of the Month: Little Cedar Daycare



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DATES to REMEMBER:

August 20th - next council meeting

August 20th - Newsletter Article Deadline for the September 2014 Churchmouse

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Rod Nordeng, seconded by Joe Matheis, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm with members praying the Lord's Prayer.

Linda Gilles, Council Secretary

*Submitted pending approval in August

Little Cedar Special Meeting Minutes

A special meeting of the Little Cedar Church Council was held on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 @7:30 pm. Members present: Karen Anderson, Pat Hinz, John Jax, Joe Matheis, Mary Schmitz, Tracy Smith, Lani Wolff, Nancy Smith, Millie Weness, and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members absent: Becky Hartwig, Tricia Milks, Rod Nordeng, and Cathy Roser.

Pat Hinz opened the meeting with a prayer.

Joe Matheis, from the building committee, gave a report on the Air Conditioner that is not working. Over \$1000.00 has been put into the existing unit and it is still not working properly. The AC unit that is not working is the one that serves the church sanctuary, not the rest of the facility. Joe spoke with David Schmitz, from Schmitz Electric, to get some information on replacing or fixing the current unit. Dave suggested installing something new and more modern. The current unit is a 10 ton unit. New ones would be at 3 ton per unit. We would likely need 4 units, but he suggested installing 2 units to begin with, at an estimated cost of \$4500-\$5000 per unit. We could add the other 2 as we can afford them. One would be installed on the east wall of the sanctuary and the other on the west wall. Everything is controlled by a remote.

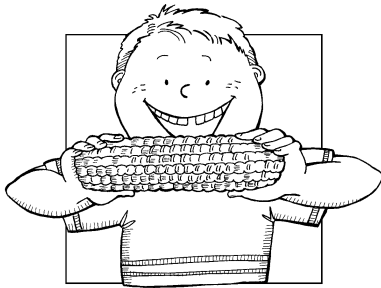
After discussion and questions, a motion was made by Tracy Smith, seconded by Karen Anderson, to purchase 2 AC units, from Schmitz Electric, with money to come from the Knutson Benevolence Fund, not to exceed \$12,000 and to be installed as soon as possible. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Linda Gilles, Council Secretary



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