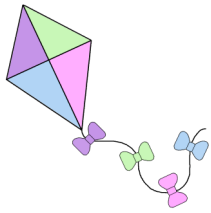


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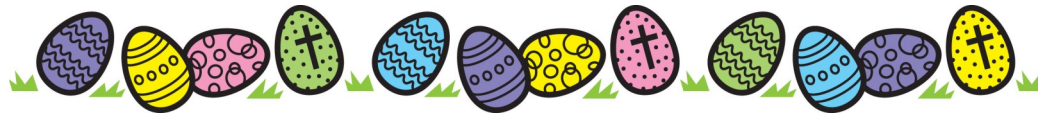
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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



Colossians 3:13-14

¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches,

As a child I loved Lent. Every week we would go to church on Wednesday evening. It would get us out of the house, we would eat yummy soup and bread, I would get to play with my friends, often times involving a snow ball fight, and sometimes.... we would make trouble. I don't know if I really knew what lent was really about as a child, but I do remember lent was fun and when we spent a lot of time at church as a community.



I invite you then to join us for our Wednesday Lenten services. Soup Supper is at 6:00, and Holden Evening Prayer service at 7:00. We have skit series during the service entitled "In Jesus' Wake." Wednesday night is such a wonderful time for prayer and singing, but also for fellowship.

During the skits, we hear from many people in the Bible who were personally affected by Jesus. We hear from the Samaritan woman who was healed, Zacchaeus, and the demon-possessed man who was healed.

As we hear from each of the characters, I am struck by the affect that Jesus has on people. The Good News of Jesus Christ has a way of bringing people together. It is the grace of Jesus Christ that frees us to live with grace filled relationships. By no means are the relationships perfect, but they are bound together by the gracious love of God.

I hope you are having a blessed and meaningful lent!

Peace,

Pr. Jeremy



Congratulations to our Students who take their First Communion on Sunday, March 25th.

Little Cedar

Cameron Bryan—Parents Jeremy & Bonny Bryan
Ella Johnson—Parents Brad & Maria Johnson
Wyatt Krull—Parents Lori Krull & John Krull
Juliette Matheis—Parents Joe & Kristina Matheis
and Jill Kaufman

Elliot Medgaarden—Parents Spencer & Nicole Medgaarden
Easton Meyer—Parents Chans & Holly Meyer
JJ Smith—Parents Tracy & Angie Smith
Avery Stroup—Parents Jon & Laura Stroup
Riley Walerak—Parents Mike & Joni Walerak

Marshall

Sara Canterbury—Parents Jeremy & Kristin
Shannon Kiefer—Parents Tom Kiefer & Linda Sendle
Amy Smith—Parents Andy & Angie Smith

Important Dates

March 7th
Marshall Council

March 21st
Little Cedar Council @ M

March 25th
Palm Sunday
1st Communion

March 29th
Maundy Thursday @ M

March 30th
Good Friday @ LC

April 4th
Marshall Council

April 18th
Little Cedar Council

April 29th
Confirmation Sunday

Lenten Services Schedule

Soup Supper @ 6pm

Worship @ 7pm

March 14th @ Little Cedar~ March 21st @ Marshall

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday March 29th-7pm @ Marshall

Good Friday March 30th-7pm @ Little Cedar

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**Easter Sunday April 1st**

**Sunrise Service @ Little Cedar @ 6:30am**

**Easter Worship @ Little Cedar @ 9am**

**Easter Worship @ Marshall @ 10:30am**

**NO Sunday School at Little Cedar or Marshall on Easter Sunday**

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

George Struthers ~ Marcelle Voigt ~ Noah Milks ~ Theo Rubio ~ Dawn Weaver  
Lois Kobes ~ Mary Ann Munson ~ Norma Larson ~ Marge Batholmey  
Dan Morgan ~ Bev Nordeng ~ Ramona Hanson ~ Dawn Weaver  
Brandi Rudd (granddaughter of June & Ed Wolf)  
Karen Kane & Raeann Kane (granddaughters of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)

**Baptisms:**

LC~Haven Russell Kana, Parents Tim & Bailey Kana  
M~Eden Marie Chisholm, Parents Casey & April Chisholm

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



**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 and Marshall 9:30am

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**March Cause of the Month**  
**Marshall**  
"Brevig Mission"

**Little Cedar Cause of the Month**  
**Little Cedar**  
"Real Hope for the Hungry"

**April Cause of the Month**  
**Marshall**  
"Neighbor in Need"





**SE MN Synod Conference 2018**  
Little Cedar is still in need of 2 voting members for the Synod Conference  
**Fri., May 4 and Sat., May 5**  
**@ Verizon Center in Mankato,**

Please contact the church office if you are interested in going



**Women's Spring Event**



Zumbro River Conference

**When:**

April 19, 2018 Cost \$15.00

4:45pm Registration

5:30pm Welcome & Dinner

6:30pm Program & worship

**Where:**

Trinity Lutheran Church-Ostrander

**Sign-up deadline April 9th**

Sheet on the bulletin outside the office @ LC

**Daycare February News**



February was full of love! We celebrated Valentine's Day by doing a craft, donut eating with no hands contest, movie and exchange of cards. We learned about the color pink, numbers 9 and 10. Our letters this month were O, P and Q. We had a couple of birthdays that we were able to celebrate! We had a healthy month so that was exciting!! Looking forward to spring!



Wednesday, March 21st  
@ 9am @ Marshall

**MEN'S LENTEN BREAKFAST** All are welcome!

**\$\$\$Little Cedar Financial Report\$\$\$**

|                           |                   |
|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Beginning Balance 1/1/17  | \$ 11,214.93      |
| Income                    | \$18,593.26       |
| Expenses                  | -\$30,702.43      |
| <b>Balance 12/31/2017</b> | <b>-\$ 894.24</b> |

**Mark Your Calendars!**  
**Senior Sunday is May 20th at both Little Cedar and Marshall.**

**Service Group #1**

Bruce & Mary Bergene Family (507)584-0908 Co-Chairperson

Bob & Marlene Hanson (507)251-6316 Co- Chairperson

Shari Wagner (507)440-1458

Brian & Teresa Bergene Family (507)437-8663

Bryce & Kellie Nelson Family (507)325-4535

Russell & Karen Anderson (507)433-4846

Brad & Beth Stadheim Family (507)433-3221

Steve & Pam Bamrick Family (507)582-7787

Ward & Lois Bergene (507)582-3523

Deb Fasbender Family (507)582-7848

Dorothy Triplett (507)582-3287

Kerry Webber (507)438-8625

Gayle & Lavonne Bergstrom (507)437-3009

Larry & Bev Bowers (507)440-1898

Kevin Kelly (507)434-7646

Isaac & Susan Ydstie (507) 923-0432

Cody & Kathy Kirkpatrick (507) 440-0298



**March**

**Communion Clean-up**

March 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

**Coffee Hours**

March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>

**Deliver Meals on Wheels**

March 19<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup>

Serve any functions requested

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

**Head Ushers**

Brian Bergen-March

Maynard Lewison-April

Quilters meet at Little Cedar



Monday, March 11th

@ 1:00pm

**Christ In Our Home Devotionals**

April, May, June copies are here.

Don't forget to pick up a copy in the church Narthex at both Little Cedar & Marshall.

**March Readers**

March 4th  
March 11th  
March 18th  
March 25th

Cindy Jax  
Carter Johnson & Avery Medgaarden  
Pat Hinz  
Steve Schroeder





**Service Group #6**

- Kerry Stroup (507)437-4329 Co-Chairperson
- Jon & Laura Stroup (507)438-8995 Co-Chairperson
- Mark & Lilly Sorenson Family (507)438-6354 Mark (507)438-0804
- Tracy & Angie Smith (507)440-5404
- Larry & Ann Tompkins (507)582-7743
- John & Cindy Jax (507)582-7797
- Nancy Thalberg (507)582-3300
- Nancy Smith Family (507)582-7826
- Al & Pat Sorenson (507)582-3223
- Randy & Janet Stephenson (507)433-7582
- LeRoy & Karen Swanson (507)582-3416
- Marlo & Marilyn Thorstenson (507)582-3605
- Randy & RoeAnn Voigt (507)582-7717
- Gretchen Thome
- Mary Conroy (507) 298-0229
- Alec & Lydia Frank (507)460-2234
- Brian & Sherry Schotanus (507)440-6163



**April**

**Communion Clean-up**  
April 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>

**Coffee Hours**  
April 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>

April 29th Confirmation may need more.

**Deliver Meals on Wheels**  
April 16<sup>th</sup> thru 27<sup>th</sup>

Serve any functions requested

Your Chairperson or one of your  
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**Head Usher for April**  
Maynard Lewison  
582-3324

Quilters meet at Little Cedar



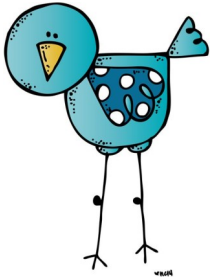
Monday, April 9th  
@ 1:00pm

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**April Readers**

- April 1st Easter Sunrise—Youth  
9:00am –Bev Bowers
- April 8th Lydia Wik & Jacob Stephens
- April 15th Bev Bowers
- April 22nd Carol Matheis
- April 29th Joni Osmundson



# Youth & Education News



June 24th - July 2, 2018 Houston is only about 100 days away! Stay tuned for meetings ! We will have our Houston Hoedown and the Envelope Fundraiser plans out soon.



**Thank you to everyone who helped with this fundraiser and who purchased Puffins. We had great success with this first-time fundraiser!**

### Senior High LYO

We are looking over schedules trying to find a time to get together. Watch for details.

### Junior High LYO

Hopefully we can have a meeting soon. Stay tuned for details.

### Little Cedar Sunday School News

**We do not have class on April 1st for Easter Sunday.**

**The Children's Choir will be singing for Palm Sunday**

### **First Communion Class Schedule!**

Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> @ Marshall  
Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ Little Cedar  
Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup> @ **Little Cedar**  
(church is at Marshall, but we make Communion Bread)

First Communion is March 25, 2018 (Palm Sunday)  
9:00am @ Little Cedar and 10:30am @ Marshall

### **Little Cedar LYO Coffee Hour is March 4th**

Lead family: Ron & Tricia Milks and Noah  
Helpers: Noah Lamp & Lydia Wik

### **Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is March 11th.**

Ushers: Dawson Gilson & Carter Johnson  
Readers: Carter Johnson & Avery Medgaarden

### **Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is April 8th.**

Ushers: Noah Lamp & Lexi Smith  
Readers: Lydia Wik & Jacob Stephens

### **Little Cedar Communion Helpers**

March 4—Dakota Johnson  
March 25—Noah Milks  
April 15—Carter Johnson  
April 29—Cody Crumb

If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact Tara ASAP so she can make a switch.



### **Congratulations to our Little Cedar Students who will be Confirmed on Sunday, April 29th.**

There are no Marshall students this year.

Chase Johnson—Parents Brad & Maria Johnson  
Alizha Kappers—Parents Sarah & Kyle Mergen and Gary Kappers  
Olivia Matheis—Parents Joe & Kristina Matheis and Jill Kaufman  
Kiyanna Meyer—Parents Chans & Holly Meyer  
Eli Wolff—Parents Brian & Lani Wolff





**Confirmation Meals**

- April 4—Sarah & Kyle Mergen
- April 11—Shawn Fasbender
- April 18—Kristina & Joe Matheis
- April 25—Kristina & Joe Matheis
- May 3—Potluck

**Confirmation Lock –In—March 17,2018  
starting at 4:30pm at Little Cedar**

**Mentor News—Make sure you  
are finishing up your packets  
with your Mentors.**

**Marshall Church Assistants**

- \*March 4—Chloe Whipple
- \*March 11—Trent Canterbury
- \*March 18—Logan Fasbender
- \*March 25—Asa Smith
  
- \*April 1—Trent Canterbury
- \*April 8—Logan Fasbender
- \*April 15—Chloe Whipple
- \*April 22—Kendra Emanuel
- \*April 29—Erin Hanson

**Little Cedar Church Assistants**

- \*March 4—U: Olivia Matheis G: Chase Johnson  
\*Communion Family—Kiyanna Meyer
- \*March 11—U: Kiyanna Meyer G: Gregory Crumb
- \*March 18—U: Chase Johnson G: Olivia Matheis
- \*March 25—U: Khlover Schulz G: Alizha Kappers  
\*Communion Family—Eli Wolff
- \*April 1—U: Olivia Matheis G: Eli Wolff  
\*Communion Family—Chase Johnson
- \*April 8—U: Alizha Kappers G: Gregory Crumb
- \*April 15—U: Chase Johnson G: Olivia Matheis  
\*Communion Family—Eli Wolff
- \*April 22—U: Alizha Kappers G: Kiyanna Meyer
- \*April 29—U: Gregory Crumb G: Khlover Schulz  
\*Communion Family—Khlover Schulz

**If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact Tara ASAP so she can make a switch.**

**Little Cedar Worship Assistants**

- |                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| *March 4—Hope Stephens    | *April 1—Coltan Bryan     |
| *March 11—Micah Johnson   | *April 8—Gavin Mergen     |
| *March 18—Brad Lagerstedt | *April 15—Brad Lagerstedt |
| *March 25—Abby Sorgatz    | *April 22—Cody Krull      |
|                           | *April 29—Hope Stephens   |

**If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday,  
contact Tara ASAP so she can make a switch.**

*We will be looking for help from all our  
High School and Middle School  
Students again this year for Holy Week.  
Watch for emails coming soon!*

**Mark Your Calendars—Vacation  
Bible School with Good Earth Village  
is at Little Cedar from July  
16through the 20th!**



Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on **Wednesday, February 21, 2018** after Lenten services at Marshall Church. Chairperson, Steve Schroeder, called the meeting to order. The mission statement was read in unison. Pastor Jeremy Johnson gave devotions. Present: Lydia Frank, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Mike Lamp, Joe Matheis, Lyn Meany, Steve Schroeder, Sherry Schotanus, Carrie Sorgatz, Janet Stephenson, Jan Weness, Millie Weness, Issac Ydstie. Absent: Mary Conroy, Linda Logsdon, Sarah Mergen, Lahoma Retterath.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion by Joe Matheis, seconded by Isaac Ydstie that the secretary's report be accepted as written. Carried.

**Correspondence:** Thank you notes were read from ELCA Good Gifts and Amy DeHoogh for the gifts of money.

**Treasurer's Report:** Millie Weness gave the treasurer's report. Motion by Jan Weness, seconded by Mike Lamp to accept the treasurer's report as printed. Carried.

-Millie reviewed our investments with the ELCA Mission Investment Fund that will mature in March. There are two separate investments: \$36,301 from the Endowment Fund and \$63,484 from parsonage proceeds. Motion by Joe Matheis, seconded by Sherry Schotanus that both the Endowment Fund and Parsonage Fund be invested in the ELCA Mission Investment Fund for 5 years at an adjustable rate, with each fund invested individually. Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**Building:** Joe Matheis reported that we have contracted with a new dumpster company. He reported a projected savings of around \$130/month.

**Daycare:** Jessica Wagner has completed all required classes and has started working as assistant at the daycare.

**Personnel:** The committee met with staff to get all annual contracts signed.

**Youth and Education:** Vacation Bible School will be led by Good Earth Village this year and will be held July 16-20.

- Eleven students are in the First Communion class.
- Tara went to the Youth Ministry Conference in Texas in January. She will report at next council meeting.
- There will not be an Easter breakfast this year.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Jeremy passed around a committee sign-up sheet for 2018.

**Outstanding Business:** It was decided to invite Pastor Fred Rengstorf, from Our Savior's in Rochester, to facilitate one more discussion on same sex marriage as Little Cedar contemplates if a ceremony can be held in our church. The date has not been set and will be announced. The discussion will be held after a worship service.

**New Business:** None.

The Cause of the Month for March will be Real Hope for the Hungry (Kids Against Hunger). The next meeting is March 21, 2018 after Lenten services at Marshall Church. Millie Weness will give devotions.

Meeting adjourned.

*Jan Weness, Secretary*





### Marshall Lutheran Church

March 7, 2018

Council meeting



**Minutes** – respectfully submitted, Julie Hanson, Financial Secretary

#### Topics

Meeting was called to order by Gary Kulow

Pastor Jeremy – Note Items:

- Continuing education coming up – two (2) day long workshops
- Men's Lenten Breakfast scheduled for Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 9:00 am
- Discussed combined congregational meeting with Pastor Fred Rengstorf, Our Saviors Rochester parish presenting on same-sex marriages. Council is considering adopting a church statement on the issue. Pastor Jeremy will be sending out some proposed statements that could be considered.
- Pastor Jeremy provided an update with regard to the Angel Fund with Southland School District (money allocated for middle/senior high school for clothing or personal hygiene items). The fund is currently flush, but monies will be needed for next school year. Council assigned the Angel Fund as the August COM.
- Church youth will be participating in Real Hope for the Hungry as a March activity

Secretary's report was read, financial and treasurer's reports were given.

- Total offering for February - \$3682.00 offering / \$99.00 COM
  - February Cause of the Month offering, to Real Hope for the Hungry in the amount of \$198.00
- Donna Osmundson made a motion to accept the reports; motion second from Linda Ludwig

#### Old Business:

- New lights were installed by Forrest. He will submit the bill to Cindy for memorial fund reimbursement.
- Discussion was held on the possibility of having Pastor Fred Rengstorf come to talk to the congregation after a church service. Pastor Jeremy will follow up with him to check on his availability.

#### New Business:

##### Council housekeeping items:

- Ruth DeHoogh will be the cause of the month in July of this year

Move to adjourn from Forrest Himebaugh with second from Gus Johnson. Group closed with The Lord's Prayer.

#### Members

|                   |   |                       |   |                 |   |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------|---|
| Craig Hanson      | X | Pastor Jeremy Johnson | X | Linda Ludwig    | X |
| Julie Hanson      | X | Dawn Kiefer           | O | Donna Osmundson | X |
| Forrest Himebaugh | X | Gary Kulow            | X | Andrew Sprau    | X |
| Gus Johnson       | X | Tricia Kulow          | X | Rodney Sprau    | X |

X = Present O = Absent