

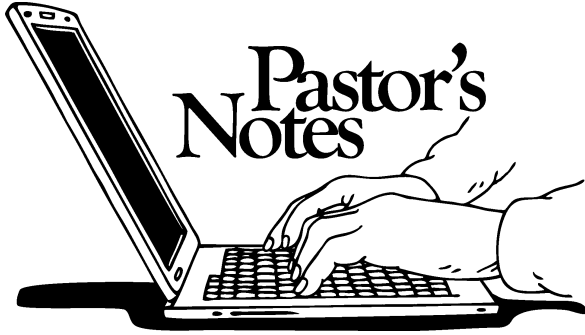


October 2013

Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches!



Ephesians 2:8-9

⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast.

We are now on our way into October and fall!!! Fall is one of my favorite times of the year. Fresh crisp air, pumpkins, beautiful fall colors, harvest time, and Halloween! And for Lutheran nerds everywhere it is also means Reformation Sunday!! Reformation Sunday is always a fun time to celebrate our Lutheran heritage! Reformation Sunday marks the anniversary of Martin Luther nailing the 95 theses to a church door in Wittenberg, Germany on October 31, 1517.

One of Martin Luther's hallmark doctrines was God's grace shown us in Jesus Christ. We are saved by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ, and not by our own works. Grace. Grace. Grace. Grace... God's unmerited love for us in Jesus Christ. In Luther's time it was a message that people desired to hear; and it is message that people desire to hear today as well. Christ has done all that needs to be done on the cross. There is nothing for us to do but fall on our knees at the foot of that cross.

So whatever binds you, whatever shackles you, whatever weighs on your mind, whatever keeps you from God, whatever brings sorrow in your life; bring it to Christ at the foot of the cross and leave it there.

I encourage you during this fall to explore a little more what it means to be Lutheran. Our beliefs, doctrines, rich history, victories, and errors. We have a rich heritage. We have something worthwhile to bring into the lives of those around us. So explore what that means. I have always found it very enriching to dig into our past to discover what it means to be Lutheran. May you all have a blessed fall as you enjoy all that the season brings!!

In Christ,

Pr. Jeremy



Important Dates

October 2nd
Marshall Council

October 4th
High School 5th Quarter

October 23
Little Cedar Council

October 27th
LC Fall Festival
M Hayride & Auction



Bible Study Opportunities!!!

Thursdays at 10am at Little Cedar
There is no need to sign-up!



Bibl-E Study



If you would like to be included in the online Bible Study. Please let the office know what your email address is and we will put you on The list to receive weekly readings and information.



Weddings @ Little Cedar:

Bailey Stadheim & Tim Kana ~ September 7th



Baptisms @ Little Cedar:

Madalin Sue Wollenburg daughter of Adam & Tina ~ September 15th

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

Mort Kellogg ~ Marcelle Voigt ~ Noah Milks ~ Charlie Gilles
Lois Lewison ~ George Nolte ~ Sharon Osmundson ~ Arvis Gunderson
Raeann Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)
Julene Monteleone (granddaughter of June Wolf)

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 October 2013

Marshall
"Neighbor In Need"
Little Cedar
"Colorado Flooding"

Central Lutheran

A group from Little Cedar & Marshall will be traveling to Central Lutheran in Minneapolis on Monday, November 25th to work in the Homeless Ministry Program. If you would be interested in going or have questions, please contact the church office.



Quilters meet at Little Cedar on Monday, October 7th @ 1pm

Friends & Fellowship

Tuesday, October 8th @ Little Cedar
Program @ 11am
Noon Meal
Cost \$5
All are welcome!

Marshall Hayride-Potluck-Auction

When: Sunday, October 27th
Time: Hayride 9:30am
Potluck & Auction after worship

Bring a dish to pass if you would like to donate something for the Auction bring that on Sunday Morning

All are invited!!!



♪Little Cedar Senior Choir♪

Practice is every Sunday following worship.

All are welcome!

We love NEW members!

Little Cedar will be hosting a Fall Festival in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, October 27th from 5 to 7pm. The cost is \$10 per family. Please wear your costumes (but NO Scary or Gruesome Costumes). This is for all ages! Bring a friend too!

We will have Ghost Bowling, Board Games, Pumpkin Painting, Pumpkin Ring Toss, Obstacle Courses, Cupcake Decorating, Face Painting, Bobbing for Donuts and lots more. There will be food and snacks provided! Hope to see you there!



It's Coming Soon!!!!

Little Cedar Annual ~ Lutefisk Dinner

When: Wednesday, November 6, 2013



Grandma's Attic

You may bring your items to church and place them at the north end of the Sunday School Room at the end of the hall by the foodshelf.

Information concerning what days people are needed to help prepare and set-up will be available soon.

Service Group #2

- Joyce Halver – Co Chairperson (582-3313)
- Mavis Wermager – Co Chairperson (584-6628)
- Linda & Jon Gilles (582-7734)
- Bob & Marlene Hanson (507-251-6316)
- Penny Gilson (438-8884)
- LaMonte & Julie Gray Family (582-7871)
- Arvis Gunderson (582-7785)
- Curt & Geneva Hamilton (582-3149)
- Kevin Hanson (325-4597)
- June Hanson (433-5886)
- Robert & Ramona Hanson (582-3469)
- Ken & Becky Hartwig (433-4902)
- Shirley Hemingway (324-9555)
- Gloria Hill (582-3455)
- Richard & Pat Hinz (582-3466)
- Norm & Joan Hoeft (582-3564)
- Bryant & Ann Hokeness (584-6812)
- Duane & Meridee Wigham (582-3125)
- Sarah & Kyle Mergen (421-2184)




October

Communion Clean-up
6th & 20th

Coffee Hour
13th, 20th, 27th
LYO has coffee hour on
1st Sunday of the Month

Deliver Meals on Wheels
7th thru 18th
Serve any funerals held

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



Head Usher for October
Ron Milks
507-582-3037

Scripture Readers

October 6th ~ Roger Weness
October 13th ~ Alyssa Anderson & Phillip Milks
October 20th ~ Linda Gilles
October 27th ~ Jim Osmundson

Youth activities



High Schoolers...Friday Night just got Awesome!!!!

We will be hosting a 5th Quarter on Friday, October 4th after the football game. This is at Little Cedar and the fun will go until Midnight.

We will have pizza, big screen video games, carpetball, foosball, air hockey, ping pong, SWAT and much much more!

Bring a friend—or two or three! It will be a great time!

Little Cedar Sunday School News

Sunday School is off to a great start. Our first lesson is The Good Samaritan. We will start the Ten Men Healed lesson on October 13th.

There is **NO** Sunday School on October 20th.

Children's Choir News

We will sing in church on Sunday, October 13th.



Rainbow Ringers: I will not be directing Rainbow Ringers anymore. If someone is interested in exploring this opportunity, please contact Pat Hinz.

I have loved spending this time with the kids and getting to know them better. We had a lot of fun! I will truly miss it.

Tara Mandt

Little Cedar LYO Coffee Hour is October 6th.

Sue Barnes, Leader

Delanie Barnes, Maddie Wolff and Jacob Anderson

Little Cedar Communion Helpers

October 6—Delanie Barnes

October 20—Max Klingerman

Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is October 13th

Ushers: Chase Gilson & Olivia Gray

Readers: Alyssa Anderson & Phillip Milks

Senior LYO (9th through 12th Grade)

Our next meeting will be on Sunday, October 13th. We will be having a bonfire and hayride. Time and Location will be finalized soon. Stay tuned for further details.



Congratulations to our new officers for the 2013-2014 school year. President—Paxton Gray, Vice-President—Lucas Mandt, Secretary—Olivia Gray and Treasurer—Brandon Bergene

Educational News

Fall Festival

Little Cedar Fellowship Hall
Sunday, October 27th from 5 to 7 pm

Cost is \$10 per family

Wear your costumes (but please no Scary or Gruesome Costumes).

We will have Ghost Bowling, Board Games, Pumpkin Painting, Pumpkin Toss, Obstacle Courses, Cupcake Decorating, Face Painting, Bobbing for Donuts and lots more.

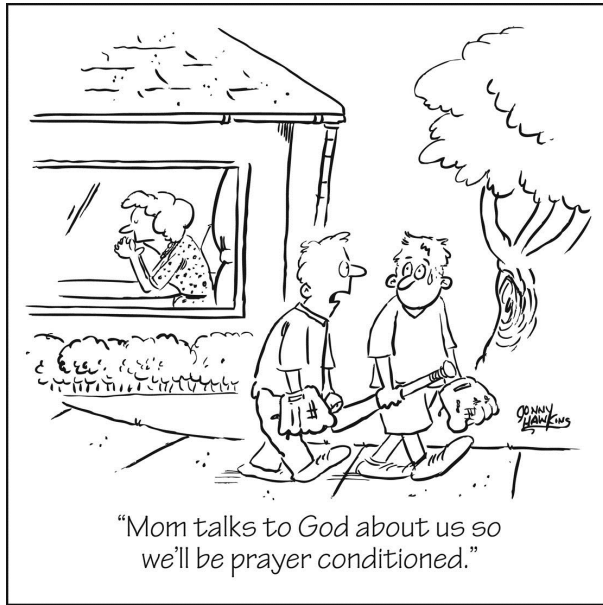
This is for all ages! Bring a friend!



There is **NO** class on Wednesday, October 16th due to the Football Game and MEA Break.

Confirmation Meal Family for October

- October 2 - Heather Felten
- October 9 - Scott & Tammy McMasters
- October 23 - Spencer & Nicole Medgaarden
- October 27 - Rhonda Hatle



Little Cedar Church Assistants

U=Usher G=Greeter

- October 6 - **U:** Jacob Stephens **G:** Noah Milks
- Communion Family:** Cody Crumb
- October 13 - **U:** Maya Luke **G:** Rachel Meany
- October 20 - **U:** Cody Crumb **G:** Hannah McMasters
- Communion Family:** Noah Milks
- October 27 - **U:** Kylie Poshusta **G:** Cole Medgaarden

Marshall Church Assistants

- October 6 - Asa Smith
- October 13 - Kendra Emanuel
- October 20 - Erin Hanson
- October 27 - Nick Mensink



If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact another Confirmation Student to replace or switch with you and then let Tara know.



Little Cedar Acolytes and Worship Assistants

- October 6—Alexis Smith
- October 13—Lydia Wik
- October 20—Cade Sheehan
- October 27—Malina Luke



Marshall Church Council Meeting Minutes**September 4, 2013**

Marshall Church council met for its regular meeting September 4, 2013. Present: Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Dale Himebaugh, Darrell Gordon, Brenda Hanson, Andrew Sprau, Gary Kulow, Jerry Sprau, Rhonda Hatle, Carie Hanson and Cathy Sprau. Absent: Gib Seimers and Luvern Hanson.

Chairman Dale Himebaugh called the meeting to order.

Pastor Jeremy gave devotions and prayer. Pastor's report was given. He has done a funeral and a wedding recently at Little Cedar. He continues with visitations. A reminder of the work day at Adams Park, Sunday, September 8, 2013 with Little Cedar. He reported the health insurance plan from Portico is changing in January 2014. This will decrease the premiums the church pays. He also shared the subject of performing gay weddings. This needs to be decided by the individual church not the pastor. Pastor Jeremy suggested we pray about this issue and will discuss at a later time.

Secretary's report was given for the month of August. Financial secretary and treasurer's report was given by Carie Hanson. (in the absence of Luvern Hanson, treasurer). Total offerings for the month of August was \$4,286.60. Cause of the month was \$335.60, Marshall's cemetery fund. Total offerings thus far for 2013 are \$32,650.77. The blacktop and parking lot repair was paid for from the road fund. A motion by Jerry Sprau to accept reports. 2nd by Gary Kulow. Motion carried.

Cause of the month for September is "Sock for the City". Cause of the month for October will be "Neighbor in Need" fund. November will be Salvation Army and December will be Southland Food Shelf. A motion by Jerry Sprau to give \$100 from our "Neighbor in Need" fund to the anti-bullying program at Southland School. 2nd by Gary Kulow. Motion carried.

Old Business: Plunketts Pest Control will again spray the church.

Continued with much discussion of different options for replacing the church's roof.

New Business: Information of having an Out Reach Team from Luther College conduct worship service. Will check the availability for this.

After much discussion on changes to the Pastor's health plan, a motion by Jerry Sprau to give the finance committee of Little Cedar and Marshall authority to move forward with the most comparable plan within the confinements of budgeted amount. 2nd by Rhonda Hatle. Motion carried.

Andrew Sprau shared that he has purchased a video recorder and DVD's to record the worship service. A camera has been donated for this. A motion by Darrell Gordon to pay Andrew for equipment. 2nd by Jerry Sprau. Motion carried.

Reminder of the work day at Marshall Church Saturday, September 7, 2013 beginning at 1:00.

Dale Himebaugh shared that flowers were sent to the funeral of Pastor Natacha Kemp's mother's funeral.

A motion by Gary Kulow to adjourn meeting. 2nd by Andrew Sprau. Motion carried.

Meeting closed with the Lord's prayer.

Submitted by: (pending additions or corrections at next meeting)

CATHY SPRAU, Council Secretary



The Little Cedar Lutheran Church Council met on Wednesday, August 21, 2013 @7:30pm. Members present: Gordy Briggs, Becky Hartwig, Pat Hinz, Maynard Lewison, Joe Matheis, Tricia Milks, Mary Schmitz, Tracy Smith and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members absent: Karen Anderson, Bill Klingerman, Lyn Meany, Rod Nordeng, Jaymie Poshusta, and Nancy Smith. 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 Gordy Briggs to approve the secretary's minutes for July, as printed. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION of VISITORS:

- A. Weekday School Report: Weekday School teacher, Amy DeHoogh, was present to explain the program and take any questions from the group.
- B. Sunday School Report: Tara Mandt was present to explain the 2013 Sunday School program and take any questions from the group.
- C. Farewell Event for Bishop Usgard: informational
- D. Michael Siebel Center in Austin: informational

TREASURER'S REPORT: discussed by Pat Hinz, in Jaymie's absence. The General Fund Balance is - \$10,478.50. Discussion, then a motion was made by Tracy Smith, seconded by Becky Hartwig to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- A. Building: Maynard Lewison reported that some sod and fill is needed by the patio in the daycare. Council gave approval to proceed with this project. A motion was made by Tracy Smith, seconded by Joe Matheis to repair/seal coat/paint lines in the parking lot, not to exceed \$10,000. If the cost should exceed that amount, go with the \$800 to fill the cracks and repairs only. Motion carried.
- B. Cemetery: Tracy Smith reported that the elevator will replace the four (4) trees and two (2) shrubs that were planted earlier. Due to the nitrogen contamination of the water tank, provided by the elevator, these trees and shrubs died. A final plan will be worked on for further plantings at the cemetery. The committee will go with Rochester Welding, to construct the directory, at a cost of \$750.
- C. Daycare: Linda Gilles reported that Lori Jax will help out part-time in the daycare, replacing Kate Wiste. \$250 was received from a Freeborn-Mower grant Lynn Johnson applied for. This will be used to replace toys and supplies. Numbers have been down during the summer months but is expected to pick up come September.
- D. Finance: no report
- E. Life/Missions: Becky Hartwig reported that she contacted Marlene Hanson, service group organizer, about the Memorial Day lunch. Becky is waiting to hear back from her. Stewardship Campaign was discussed for fall. Pat reported that this item falls under the Finance Committee.
- F. Personnel: Gordy Briggs reported the committee will meet with staff in September.
- G. Youth/Education: Tara presented earlier in the meeting.
- H. Worship/Music: Pat Hinz reported that beginning September 8, the service will be back in the ELW hymn book. The committee will be exploring new ways to celebrate the Advent Season. Pastor Jeremy discussed assisting ministers during worship and the children's message. Anyone interested in participating in these areas can contact Pastor Jeremy.

PASTOR'S REPORT: Pastor Jeremy discussed the Sr. High release time program and mentioned he will conduct services at the AHCC the first Wednesday and third Monday of the month. Elizabeth Eaton will be the new presiding Bishop of the ELCA.

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OUTSTANDING BUSINESS:

A. Social Statement – Same Gender marriage: discussion by council.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. DAC cleaning sanctuary: this has started up again and is done on Monday mornings, at \$20 per time.
- B. Portico-Health Insurance: they now offer four (4) options. Pastor Jeremy discussed these. The Gold + Plan is comparable to what we are currently doing, which will be \$448 less than what we are paying now, come January. A motion was made by Gordy Briggs, seconded by Joe Matheis that we offer the Gold + Portico Plan. Motion carried.
- C. Church Directory: Tara Mandt is willing to work on a directory. Pat Hinz will get more information on this for the next meeting.
- D. September 8, 2013: God’s Work, Our Hands – this is an ELCA church wide event. Little Cedar will plan to do clean-up work in the Adams Park, with a hotdog supper to follow, from 4-6pm. LYO will meet following this event.
- E. Cause of the Month for September: Central Lutheran in Minneapolis
- F. Devotions for September: Pat Hinz
- G. National Convention in Philadelphia: Pat Hinz shared information on church wide discussions at the convention.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm with members praying the Lord’s Prayer.

Linda Gilles, Council Secretary



Let’s Get Involved!!!!

Would you like to be involved in leading worship!?! Do you enjoy worship? Are you curious about worship? Do you enjoy chanting the liturgy? Do you enjoy speaking the liturgy? If you would be interested at all, please join Pastor Jeremy on Sunday, September 15th at 8:30 before worship at Little Cedar and after worship at Marshall to visit about the role of the assisting minister and to learn more about our worship practices. Feel free to catch him at some other time if your not able to make it.



This could be FUN!

Do you have a great idea for a children's message? Or perhaps you have no ideas for a children's message, but you want to find out how to get one? If you would be interested, please see Pastor Jeremy for details. He would love to have others involved in children's messages, and would be happy to give guidance in any way that he can!!

Responding to U.S. Flooding/ Lutheran Disaster Response Alert!

These floods have consumed parts of Colorado, damaging or destroying over 18,000 homes and businesses. Three ELCA church buildings have also been affected. Some areas continue to experience mudslides, damaged roads and downed power lines. Your help is needed to bring help and hope to our sisters and brothers in need. Lutheran Disaster Response is at work, assessing the immediate and long-term needs of those affected by the floods. We already know it will be a long road to recovery, and your gifts are needed now to begin coordinating relief efforts.

Gifts designated to “U.S. Flood Relief” through Lutheran Disaster Response will be used entirely — 100 percent — to help survivors of floods rebuild their lives and livelihoods. Our church is reaching out in response to these devastating storms and assessing the needs —working together for as long as it takes. Thank you for your gifts, your prayers and your partnership. These floods have consumed parts of Colorado, damaging or destroying over 18,000 homes and businesses. Three ELCA church buildings have also been affected. Some areas continue to experience mudslides, damaged roads and downed power lines. Your help is needed to bring help and hope to our sisters and brothers in need. Lutheran Disaster Response is at work, assessing the immediate and long-term needs of those affected by the floods. We already know it will be a long road to recovery, and your gifts are needed now to begin coordinating relief efforts.

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Give through your congregation or send your check directly to:
Lutheran Disaster Response, 39330 Treasury Center, Chicago, IL 60694-9300

Write “U.S. Flood Relief” or “Where Needed Most” on your check’s memo line.



Cemetery News ~

The website, www.findagrave.com, is being used to preserve information from the Little Cedar Cemetery. Findagrave is a free website that currently has over 103 million grave records. On this site, people may create a memorial page for an individual, post pictures, biographies, plot numbers, flowers, links to family members, GPS coordinates and other pertinent information.

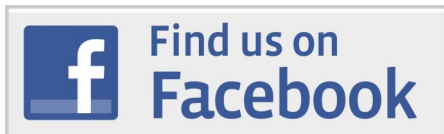
I am currently looking for obituaries/biographies of any person who is buried in the Little Cedar Cemetery to add to the Findagrave site, especially the older members. If you want to check the site to see if there is already an obituary/biography posted, you may do that before submitting one to me. I would prefer the obituaries/biographies through email (jstephenson@myclearwave.net), but a printed copy would be good, too. You can leave it with Kathy in the office.

There is also a Little Cedar Cemetery website that I have created: www.littlecedarcemetery.org. This site includes a little background on the church and cemetery, a church timeline, cemetery map and directory, and some miscellaneous records that are still a work in progress. There is also a contact form on the site, if anyone needs to contact me.

Thanks for your help! Janet Stephenson, Little Cedar Cemetery Secretary

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