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# August 2019

# Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse





#### Luke 5:27-36 ~ Love for Enemies

<sup>27</sup> "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, <sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. <sup>29</sup> If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. <sup>30</sup> Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. <sup>31</sup> Do to others as you would have them do to you.



<sup>32</sup> "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. <sup>33</sup> And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. <sup>34</sup> And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. <sup>35</sup> But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches!!

Loving your enemies. This is easier said than done. As I look around our society, nation and world, there seems to be so much hatred being passed around. I find it to be so discouraging and disheartening. It can be incredibly easy to fall into the same patterns of hatred. When someone mistreats us, it can be so easy to show the same harsh treatment in return.

However, that is not the kind of life that Christ calls us to. We are called to travel the more difficult path. When someone calls us a name, we are to respond with sympathy and respect. We are to find common ground and work towards mutual respect and understanding. We are called to the more difficult path. "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them."

Martin Luther King Jr. said, "Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that." There couldn't be truer words than that. Hate can only beget more hate. It becomes a vicious cycle. Instead we must stop hate in its tracks. We must respond to hate with love. We must respond to brutality with mercy. We must respond to with cruelty with kindness. That is the only way to put an end to hate, is with love.

Peace, Pr. Jeremy

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#### **Important Dates**

August 4th

Campfire Worship

August 7th

Marshall Council Meeting

August 21st

Little Cedar Council Meeting

#### **Lutheran World Relief Kits:**

Today and every day, Lutheran World Relief "Quilts and Kits of Care" give families around the world some of life's essentials, as well as a reminder that they are not alone. From chronic poverty and conflict to drought and typhoon, the intensity of humanitarian needs continues to increase. Your quilts and kits are urgently needed!

Baskets are out at Little Cedar and Marshall for collecting your items for:

- **♥**Quilts
- **♥**School Kits
- **♥**Personal Care Kits
- ♥Health Kits
- **♥**Baby Care Kits
- **♥**Fabric Kits
- ♥Soap



Information Sheets are available at both churches as to what you will need for each kit.



Yup  $\sim$  it's time to go back!!!

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

Lahoma Retterath ~ June Nelson ~ Almon Sorenson ~ Jon Osmundson Judy Johnson ~ Alice Koball ~ Mary Finbraaten ~ Marcelle Voigt MaryAnn Munson ~ Dan Morgan ~ Mel Thome Brandi (Granddaughter of June Wolf) Ramona Hanson ~ Curt Hamilton Karen Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton) Dawn Weaver (Daughter of Neil & Judy Johnson) Linda Hendrickson (Kristina Matheis Mother)

Baptisms:

LC ~ Taya Leigh Emanuel ~ Parents: Derek & Megan Emanuel

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

Office Hours Are: Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm

Roger Heimgartner (Ken Hartwigs brother in law)

**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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Day Care Director Kate Wiste Icdaycare14@gmail.com

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# Daycare News July 2019



How is summer almost over?? This month we had a fun water day with a pool, sprinkler, squirters and splash pad. We

also gained a new family with 3 Children enrolled! We have been enjoying new books and toys that were donated by a couple families. We have also spent A LOT of time outside! We still keep on routine a little bit but the kids are doing great with Creative play together. Only a couple more weeks until school starts! We received a grant from Freeborn-Mower for \$500 for a new outside shed. That will be nice to keep all of our toys safe from the weather Changes. The computer stopped working so we had to purchase a new laptop. Trying to get everything switched over is hard work! We are also looking for Thrivent Cards to help replace the Carpet in our baby room as it has worn down so much. Lots of changes happening and we are excited to embrace them!

Kate Wiste, Director Little Cedar Daycare



# **Summer Campfire Worship Schedule**



Sunday Evening @ 6:30pm August 4th

Campfire worship at Little Cedar by the peace garden! It will be a laid back service of campfire songs, fellowship, prayer, and fun for all ages. Please join us!

Don't forget to bring your Lawn Chair!!

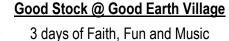
# **Cause of the Month for August**

Marshall
"Neighbor in Need"
Little Cedar

"Real Hope for the Hungry"

#### **▼▼▼**Ronald McDonald House Update▼▼▼

Thank you to all who brought their pop cans to Little Cedar this weekend. Thanks to your wonderful donations Roger reported he collected \$157.00 for the Ronald McDonald House!



Celebrating 50 years GEV will hold a special event on Friday, August 16th thru Sunday, August 18th. There will be concerts, family fun area, food trucks and tons of activities. For more information go to GEV website: www.goodearthvillage.org/goodstock

#### **▼Thank You**

Tara Mandt and the Little Cedar Education Committee would like to thank everyone who donated items, money or Thrivent cards to our wonderful VBS program. It was a great year!

See Page 7 for more details



# **Readers**

August 4th Lyn Meany

August 11th Christine Wik

August 18th volunteer needed

August 25th Pat Hinz

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#### **SERVICE GROUP #1**

Name	Phone #1		
Bruce & Mary Bergene	438-7200		
Bob & Marlene Hanson	507-251-6316		
Brian & Teresa Bergene	437-8663		
Shari Wagner	440-1458		
Bryce & Kellie Nelson	440-9175		
Russell & Karen Anderson	433-4846		
Brad & Beth Stadheim	433-3221		
Steve & Pam Bamrick	582-7787		
Deb Fasbender	582-7848		
Dorothy Triplett	582-3287		
Kerry Webber Family	438-8625		
Gayle & Lavonne Bergstrom	440-2818		
Larry & Bev Bowers	440-1898		
Kevin Kelly	434-7646		
Cody & Kathy Kirkpatrick	440-0298		
Sam & John Mueller	440-5383		
Michelle Chamberline	507-272-5360		
Gabrielle Smith	438-8681		

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

# We are trying to Make Giving Easier!!!!

Making use of bill-pay through your bank is a great way to give your offering to the church. Especially during the summer time, when many of us are busy traveling, electronic giving is a great way to continue supporting the church. You can also click on the donate button on our Facebook page or website and you will be directed to PayPal. Thank you to everyone for your generosity!!!



# mebergene@gmail.comCo-Chairmhanson40@gmail.comCo-Chair

# August 2019

# **Communion Clean-Up**

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

### **Deliver Meals on Wheels**

August 5<sup>th</sup> thru 16<sup>th</sup>

Coffee Hours NONE





## Head Usher August

Bryce Nelson ~ 438-1682

# **Give Offering with your Phone!!!!**

Want to help support the ministries of Little Cedar Lutheran Church as we live out our calling to the community and world, but don't have your wallet to-day? We've made is easy! Just scan the QR code to make a contribution using Paypal or your credit card right now!



# Youth & Education News

## Vacation Bible School News

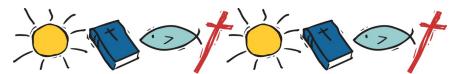
We had a great week back in June with 75 kids and 23 helpers (both up from last year).

With the help of EP3-20, we learned how to Go Beyond with God & Boldness, Faith, Kindness, Thankfulness and Hope. Our verse was: Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us! Ephesians 3:20.

Thank you to everyone who helps make the week possible. Each and every one of you is greatly appreciated.

God's love and blessings,

Tara Mandt ~ Education Director



Wow! It is August! Please mark your calendars as September will come quickly.



**September 4th**—Confirmation Parent/Student meeting at 6:30pm.

This is for all 6th, 7th and 8th grade families.

**Confirmation MEETING** 

**September 8th**—Rally Sunday and Backpack Blessings at Little Cedar& Marshall



**September 8th**—Senior High LYO's first meeting (at Ashlynn Mandt's—TBD)



September 11th—Confirmation starts

(5pm for 6th Grade and 6pm for 7th & 8th Grade)

September 15th—Junior High LYO's first meeting

(more information to follow at a later date)



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The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by chairperson, Joe Matheis. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Prayer was led by Millie Weness. Present: Mary Conroy, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Vicki Kiefer, Joe Matheis, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: Lydia Frank, Lyn Meany, Sarah Mergen, Sherry Shotanus, Carrie Sorgatz, Janet Stephenson.

**Secretary's Report:** Motion by Millie, seconded by John to approve the secretary's minutes as printed. Carried.

**Correspondence:** Information will soon be available in the narthex for gathering supplies for LWR school kits. A thank you was read for our donation to Lutheran Disaster Response and from Good Earth Village for a \$1000 donation.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Motion by Jan, <u>seconded</u> by Mary that the treasurer's report be accepted as printed. <u>Carried</u>.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- **-Building:** The building committee will meet and propose a long-term plan for our buildings and grounds. The committee will get an estimate to remove a tree damaged by a storm this spring.
- **-Daycare:** Mary reported that a new laptop computer had to be purchased for the daycare and that new carpet will be ordered and installed in the sleep and play area in the main room. A new assistant was hired and Kate has her staff in place for this fall.
- **-Youth and Education:** Tara and Pastor are working with parents of confirmands to put together a schedule for fall Confirmation. Starting date changes are necessary because of the changes in the school calendar.

<u>Pastor's Report:</u> Pastor will be gone this weekend. He also reported that he is finishing up a continuing education class offered through the Synod.

#### **Outstanding Business**

- \_Pastor and Tara met with Scott Hall, school superintendent, about using our parking lot for the upcoming school year. Guidelines and perimeters were discussed. Joe Matheis will be paid by the school to plow the parking lot used by the school.
- -The new windows are beginning to be installed. \$12,511 has been donated for the windows as of 7/14/2019.
- -Pastor reviewed a printed summary of the insurance report from the flood damage to records and storage rooms. (Report attached to permanent minutes.)
- -Pastor presented a printed report of suggested items needed for updating the sound system for the church and praise band. Council gave him the go ahead to order all items. Payment will be determined at the next meeting after study of funds available.
- -Motion by John, seconded by Vicki to give Kathy Voigt two extra PTO days because of several work days missed this winter because of storms. Carried.
- -Little Cedar will contribute \$1000 to a food pack to be done this fall for Real Hope for the Hungry. A donation of \$1000 has been made by an individual and the council challenges the congregation to match it.

Next meeting is Wednesday, August 21, at 7:30 p.m. John will give devotions. August Cause of the Month is Real Hope for the Hungry. Meeting adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness, Secretary



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Submitted by, Dawn Kiefer

#### Marshall Lutheran Church ~ July 10, 2019 ~ Council Meeting

Luke 17: 11-19

11 Now on his way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. 12 As he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance 13 and called out in a loud voice, "Jesus, Master, have pity on us!" 14 When he saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were cleansed. 15 One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. 16 He threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan.17 Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? 18 Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?"19 Then he said to him, "Rise and go; your faith has made you well."

### Meeting was called to order by

#### Pastor Jeremy updates:

- For consideration the nursing home in Adams is planning to purchase a 4 seat bicycle for residents. Might the council designate funds to assist with purchase? Council agrees to donate \$100 from 'Neighbor in Need'.
- Nursing home resident would like to purchase newer, large print, hymnals for services. If there is a balance remaining Council agrees to use Memorial Fund \$ to assist. Pastor will provide an update at next month's meeting.

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

- Total offering for June \$2936.00/\$188.00 COM (Hand in Hand).
- July Cause of the Month offering will be for Southland Angel Fund.
   Motion by Craig to accept the reports; motion second from Len. Motion carried.

#### Old Business:

- Storage shed could use some paint, new walk in door, and perhaps new steel roof.
- O Chris to collect estimates for the group to consider

#### **New Business:**

Congregational call for Sunday School Superintendent to assist with: (Sunday bulletin announcement)

Cradle roll	Ordering/engraving of Bibles for Confirmands
Baptism remembrance	Assist with Christmas program

Carie will contact Cindy to find out if there is any remaining 3rd grade Bibles.

Pastor to share 'Splash' publication (similar to Highlights) information and cost at the next meeting.

Discussion to address weeds on Church grounds (Creeping Charlie, etc.). Note that application or treatment would likely take place this fall.

- O Craig to inquire at the elevator what might be used and cost
- O Tricia to inquire Matt Simon as to cost for spraying.
- Rod informs that he's trimmed landscaping in front of the church noting that Arborvitae may need to be removed or replaced. Tricia and Donna agree to conversation with WELCA to see if there might be a preference for replacement and possible funding. Council will revisit at the next meeting.

Move to adjourn from Donna with second from Craig Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Carie Hanson	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Len Mensink	X
Craig Hanson	X	Dawn Kiefer	X	Donna Osmundson	X
Chris Himebaugh	X	Tricia Kulow	X	Andrew Sprau	X
Gus Johnson	0	Linda Ludwig	О	Rodney Sprau	X