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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



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Matthew 5:43-48 ~ Love for Enemies

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ that you may be children of your Father in heaven. He causes his sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. ⁴⁶ If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that? ⁴⁸ Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches,

God's Word is at the center of who we are as Christians. So in worship we hear scripture read and proclaimed. We study scripture and do things like join for Bible Studies. We have music based on scripture. But truth-be-told, there are some parts of scripture that we struggle with. Perhaps it is because it says something that pushes us past our comfort zone. Or perhaps something we struggle with ourselves. Or perhaps it has imagery that is beyond our grasp and understanding.

"Love our enemies and pray for those who persecute you." That is one of the verses that challenges us in scripture. We are called to a radical kind of love. At the center of what it means to be a Christian is Christ. On the cross in his suffering and dying, Jesus prayed for those who were hanging him on the cross. He said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

This then means extending ourselves beyond our comfort zone. It means loving those who are different from us. This means loving those who we feel don't fit into the mold for humanity that we have in our mind. People who we see as lesser or inferior to us and should be treated accordingly. It means even loving our enemies.

Starting November 11th, Intern Marcia and I lead a study of The Other. There will be a study on Thursdays at 9:00am. I will also post study sheets on my office door and send it out via Bibl-E-Study for those who can't join us.

Blessings! *Pr. Jeremy*



Important Dates

November 3rd
Marshall Council

November 7th
All Saints Sunday
Meatball Drive Thru Dinner

November 17th
Little Cedar Council

November 22nd
Central Lutheran Trip

November 24th
Thanksgiving Eve
Worship @ LC

Central Lutheran Homeless Ministry Trip

Going to Central Lutheran
Monday ~ November 22nd
to work in the Free Store and the Kitchen to help
prepare and serve the Thanksgiving meal.

Items needed most for the Free Store at this time are:

- Jeans, Men's winter gloves, Rolling luggage,
- Adult backpacks, Lined pants, Belts
- Brand-new underwear(all genders and all sizes)
- Long johns/thermal wear



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

Mavis Klaudt ~Judy Johnson ~ Gerald Meier
Kevin Sternhagen (Husband of Cheryl Underdahl Sternhagen)



Baptisms:

M ~ Theodore Albert Kiefer ~ Parents: Christopher & Kathy Jo Kiefer

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

Office Hours Are: Monday ~Tuesday ~Thursday ~ Friday from 9:00am 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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Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, November 24th

Little Cedar @ 7:00pm

Followed by:

Pie and Coffee etc.



October was a bit of a crazy month. We made it until the middle of the month before our first positive case of Covid 19 hit. Luckily, we one had one child and they remained asymptomatic. No other children nor adults caught it. Before we closed for the two weeks, we learned that everyone has different families. Some have brothers, sisters, pets, etc. We had our Fire Prevention Week. We discussed what to do if there was a fire in our house and who to call. Our shape was square and our color was orange. We went on a few walks where we collected leaves of different shapes and colors. The kids loved that! We also picked up garbage around town. We didn't get too much so that made us happy about our community members. We were able to celebrate Halloween! The kids dressed up in their costumes. We decorated pumpkins and brought the to share within the church on the tracks. We did a Halloween craft. It was a Frankenstein footprint canvas picture. They turned out super cute! We are ready to move on to November. Hopefully no snow soon...

Kate Wiste ~
Little Cedar Daycare Director

POP CAN PICK-UP

The wagon will be in the Little Cedar Parking Lot
Saturday ~ November 6th thru
Sunday ~ November 7th.

******This is for Pop Cans only******



Cause of the Month for November

Marshall

“Gerard Academy “



LWR Kits Update



Quilts 87

School Kits 85



Baby Care Kits 14

Personal Care Kits 48



Sewing Kits 3

Real Hope for the Hungry

We will once again be hosting a food pack for Real Hope for the Hungry in the Little Cedar Fellowship Hall on **Monday, December 6th at 6:00**. We will be in need of two things. Hands to help us pack food and monetary donations to make it happen!

It's a meaningful and hands on way for kids and adults to make a concrete impact on the world. The rice meals that are packed go to some of the neediest people in the world that find themselves in troubled times for various reasons. We will be accepting monetary donations. A \$15 donation will buy 10 bags and that feeds 60 people. Give as much as you would like.

We encourage everyone to help in any way that they can. A little can go a long way! We will be looking for 35 people to sign-up to pack. Please call/text Pastor Jeremy at 507-481-4394 or email at pastorjeremylcm@gmail.com



Pastor Jeremy and Intern Marcia will be hosting a Bible Study starting this fall on Thursday mornings at 9AM starting on November 11th. All from St. John's, Little Cedar, and Marshall are welcome to join us. And heck, you can even bring your neighbor's, sister's, cousin-twice removed. All are welcome! We will meet in the Little Cedar narthex over a cup of coffee. Bring your favorite study Bible.

Our title of the study is **The Other**. The Other is an individual who is perceived by the group as not belonging, as being different in some fundamental way. Any stranger becomes the Other. The other is often seen as a lesser or inferior being and is treated accordingly. We will look at stories of Others in scripture and how God sees the Other and calls us to embrace the other. The study sheets will be available on Pastor Jeremy and Intern Marcia's office doors. We will also send out the Bibl-E-Study email each week. I'd invite you to sign up for that if you haven't already. It's a time in the church to venture together into God's Word.

Equal Exchange

And let the
peace of Christ
rule in your hearts...
and
be thankful

Colossians 3:15



Worship Assistants & Service

Little Cedar Service Group #1

Co-Chairs: Tara Mandt & Sam and John Mueller

**We will no longer be listing emails and phone numbers in the Churchmouse. Contact the church office if you need to contact anyone. We are trying to help reduce the SPAM calls and emails we all get!

- Jim & Lynn Johnson
- Patricia & Ron Milks
- Mike & Lisa Lamp
- Linda Anderson
- Phillip Milks
- Lucas Mandt
- Nancy Decker
- Vicki Kiefer
- Brenda & Chris Landherr
- Marcia Mullenbach
- Ed & Carol Koch
- Carol Lagerstedt
- Dave & Susan Lagerstedt
- Jill Sathre
- Mike & Joni Walerak
- Chans & Holly Meyer

Communion Clean-Up
November 7th and 21st

Deliver Meals on Wheels
November 1st through 12th

Coffee Hour
November 14th, 21st & 28th

Little Cedar Readers

November 7th
Steve Schroeder

November 14th
YOUTH—See Below

November 21st
Joni Osmundson

November 28th
Wayne Robertson

Little Cedar High School
Communion Helpers
November 7—Olivia
November 21—Alizha

Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is November 14th
Ushers: Eli & Micah and Readers: Kendra & Kiyanna

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

*November 7—Taya

*November 14—Addison

*November 21—Audrey

*November 28—Addie

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

Little Cedar Confirmation Church Assistants

*November 7—Usher: Easton, Greet: JJ, Communion Family: Avery

*November 14—Usher: Beau, Greet: Liliana

*November 21—Usher: Nolan, Greet: Juliette, Comm. Family: Kaden

*November 28—Usher: Mya, Greet: Justin

Marshall Confirmation Church Assistants

*November 7—Usher: Lillian, Communion: Shannon

*November 14—Usher: Sara

*November 21—Usher: Amy, Communion: Brecken

*November 28—Usher: Lillian

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

Our October **Senior High LYO** meeting was held on Sunday, October 17th. We went to a haunted house in Fillmore. We had a great time! We plan to have our November meeting on November 14th. Watch for emails with details but we will be doing a service project together.



Respectfully submitted,
Alizha Kappers, Secretary

Our first **Junior High LYO** meeting was on October 24th. We were suppose to meet at the park but it was super cold and rainy so e moved to the church. We had fun carving pumpkins and playing games at church.

Our next meeting with be our Christmas party probably in January. Watch for details.

Little Cedar Sunday School Schedule:

We will have class all 4 Sunday's in November. We will not sing in November. We are working on plans for a Christmas program on December 19th.

Confirmation Schedule & News:

- November 3—Regular Class—All Grades**
- November 10—Regular Class—All Grades**
- November 17—Regular Class—All Grades**
- November 24— NO CLASS**

- Meal: Helgesons**
- Meal: Stroups**
- Meal: Lagerstedts**



"Because he works from home. That's why we never see God in person."



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

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| Topics | |
| Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink President. | |
| Pastor Jeremy updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirmation classes are once again having dinner together, students can opt in/out as desired. ● Thanksgiving eve service (with pie) planned at Little Cedar (was canceled last year due to COVID). ● Sabbatical funding not received but would still like to take 1-3 months off next summer, pending personnel committee review/ approval. Pastor to inquire regarding pulpit supply, noting consistency is desired if at all possible. | |
| Secretary and financial/treasurer’s reports were reviewed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Total offering for September \$6220.00/ \$157.00 COM Socks in the City. ● October Cause of the Month offering will be for Lutheran Disaster Response (hurricane Ida relief.) Note items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Gift from Bonnie Boe to be used as needed – no specific designation. Council will review budget at the end of the year and determine where funds may be needed. ● Frontage road resurfacing, pothole repair = \$4548.00 Motion to accept reports from Gary with second from Kathy. Motion carried. | |
| Old Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No changes to COVID action plan. Using current Mower County status as a guideline, congregations are asked to mask for church services at this time. ● AV equipment, TV or projector – tabled with review of LC use and value add pending. ● Extended keyboard purchased = \$575.00 ● Migrant family sponsorship – Information from Catholic Charities shared/reviewed. Sponsors would be asked to aide with anything that may be needed to support a family. Suggested 10 people for approximate 6-month duration. Pastor to inform congregations and ask for individuals to help as/if interested. ● Internship at St. Johns – Marcia remains through the end of Feb. Application for replacement pending. | |
| New Business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Shared Ministry – Len/Gary to participate in reviewing document verbiage/content. ● 2022 Youth gathering in Mpls. 5 Marshall youth currently planning to attend. Fundraising will start soon. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○Gary moves to allocate \$500 to assist with cost, 2nd from Kathy. Motion carried. | |
| Motion to adjourn from Gary with second from Darrell. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer. | |
| Dawn Kiefer –Secretary Marshall Council |  |

Members:

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

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, October 20, at 7:30 pm. present: John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Carol Matheis, Chris Roser, Connie Sathre, Millie Weness, Nancy Thalberg.

Absent: Tracy Smith, Vicki Gunderson, Spencer Medgaarden.

The meeting was called to order by co-chair John. The Mission Statement was read in unison.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Millie, second by Carol to accept report as presented. Carried

Treasure's Report: Millie reviewed the report. Motion by Lynn, seconded by Connie to accept the report as printed. Carried

Committees:

Building: Lighting in Food Shelf rooms was reported poor. Committee will check on problem. The screen and projector to be used in the sanctuary have arrived at the church. Kitchen refrigerator has been fixed and is working.

Cemetery: Chans Meyer has completed spraying of the cemetery.

Daycare: The Daycare is closed for two weeks because of a Covid case with one of the children. Exposure happened on a day when all the children were present. Daycare will reopen Thursday, October 28th.

Finance: The committee met in Sept. to discuss the upcoming budget for 2022 and staff wages. They will meet again to finalize a budget and wages.

Personal: The committee met with all staff employed by the church. They reviewed and discussed with each the positives and needs of their positions.

Youth and Education: Thirteen youth will be attending the 2022 ELCA Youth Gathering in Minneapolis. Pastor Jeremy and Tara will be chaperones.

Pastor Report: Pastor is working on a Sabbatical this summer during June. Last summer travel had to canceled because of the pandemic. He will meet with a combined group of council people from Little Cedar and Marshall to go over proposal.

The mentorship he is doing with Pastor Marcia of St. John's continues to go well. He will be assisting the St. John's congregation in applying for another intern. Pastor Marcia's internship ends in Feb.

Old Business! The drive through Meatball dinner will be held Sunday, November 7, 4-6:30 pm. Publicity is out! The Medgaarden and Lamp families stepped up to chair the event.

The food Pack for Real Hope for the Hungry has been scheduled for Dec.

New Business: There was a discussion about service groups as to how they are working. Presently there is a need for new co-chairs in most groups. When sending out requests for help, Tara is getting no response or an actual no. Council members were asked to help with outreach for co-chairs of the groups.

The mission trip to Central Lutheran is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 22. Little Cedar and Marshall groups will be the first groups coming back to the church since Covid.

Devotions for November will be Connie. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 17, at 7:30 pm. The cause of the month is "Real Hope for the Hungry."

The meeting adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Nancy Thalberg. Acting Secretary



Meatball Dinner

Little Cedar Lutheran Church

Adams, MN 55909

Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021

Serving

4:00PM TO 6:30PM

**FREE WILL
DONATION**

Proceeds to support mission work in our community
and across the world

Menu:

Swedish Meatballs & Gravy ~ Mashed Potatoes

Glazed Carrots ~ Cranberries~ Lefse ~ Cookie

We are going to have a Meatball (Drive Thru) Dinner held at
Little Cedar Lutheran Church in Adams, Minnesota.

You won't even have to get out of your car!

Just Drive -up place your order and we will bring it out to you.

A Free Will Donation will be collected.