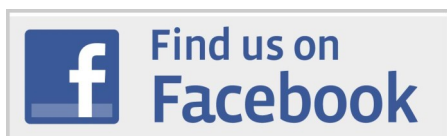


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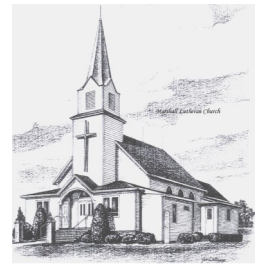
Bible E Study: If you would like to be included on the Online Bible E Study, please let the office know what your email address is and we will put you on the list to receive weekly



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.

Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



Isaiah 9:6-7

⁶For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Churches!

The season of Advent begins on December 1st . It a time of waiting for the light of Christ. During this time, we are reminded of the light that Christ brings into a world often marked by darkness. Each week, we light a candle on the Advent wreath, and the flames symbolize the gifts that Jesus brings to us: hope, peace, joy, and love. This is what Jesus is and what he offers to a weary world. Each candle shines brighter as we move closer to the celebration of his birth, culminating in the arrival of the Christ candle, representing Jesus as the Light of the World.

The prophet Isaiah tells of the coming of the Messiah with these words: *"For to us a child is born...And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."* Jesus is our hope when life feels uncertain, our peace in the midst of chaos, our joy that sustains us even in hardship, and the perfect expression of God's love. Through him, we are invited to not only receive these gifts but to share them with the world around us. This Advent, let us take time to reflect on these gifts and how we can embody them in our lives. Let us cling to hope, knowing that God's promises never fail. Let us pursue peace, striving for reconciliation in our relationships and communities. Let us embrace joy, delighting in the good news of Christ's coming. And let us share love, reflecting the heart of God through acts of kindness and compassion. May the light of each Advent candle remind us of the unchanging truth that Christ is with us, and through him, we can be bearers of hope, peace, joy, and love to a world in need.

Have a blessed Advent as we wait and prepare for Christ, our light and our salvation!

Pr. Jeremy

Merry
CHRISTMAS
& Happy
NEW YEAR



December 4th
Marshall Council Meeting

December 8th
Marshall Children's Program

December 15th
Little Cedar's Children's Program

December 18th
Little Cedar Council Meeting

December 24th
Christmas Eve Worship
Little Cedar 5:00pm
Marshall 7:30pm

Sunday School Programs

Marshall ~ December 8th @ 10:30am

Little Cedar ~ December 15th @ 9:00am



Christmas Worship Schedule

Tuesday * Christmas Eve @ Little Cedar @ 5:00pm

Tuesday * Christmas Eve @ Marshall 7:30pm



IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

♥**Prayers:** Those known to have been hospitalized, ill or in need of prayers:
Dave Weness ~ Carol Koch ~ Judy Johnson

If you know of someone who is in the hospital or in need of prayers
please call the church office or let Pastor Jeremy know.

Baptisms:
M ~ Cooper Michael Voigt ~ Parents ~ Adam & Emily Voigt

Funerals:
LC ~ Karen Swanson

Office Hours Are: Monday ~Tuesday ~Thursday ~ Friday from 9:00am to 5:00pm
Wednesday from 11:00am to 6:00pm

Sunday Worship: Little Cedar 9:00am Marshall 10:30am

Sunday School: September - May Marshall 9:30am and Little Cedar 10:00am

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****CEDAR COURT LIVING WORSHIP SERVICE ****

A CHURCH SERVICE IS HOSTED AT THE CEDAR COURT LIVING ON THE 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 2:00PM. WE MEET IN THE LARGE DINING ROOM THAT IS ADJACENT TO THE MAIN ENTRANCE. COOKIES, COFFEE, AND JUICE ARE SERVED FOLLOWING THE SERVICE. PASTOR JEREMY WILL BE LEADING THE SERVICE. YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR THE SERVICE. THE RESIDENTS ENJOY HAVING VISITORS JOIN THEM FOR THE SERVICE. ALSO, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE GOODIES AND COFFEE, PLEASE TALK TO PASTOR JEREMY.

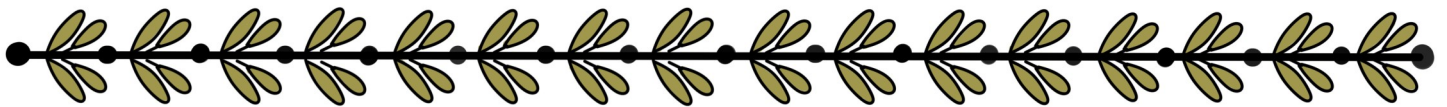


♥MARSHALL CAUSE OF THE MONTH♥

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“CANCER TELETHON”

Little Cedar & Marshall have purchased a couple of the Bible Recorders. You just put on some headphones and choose what chapter you would like to listen to. If you would be interested in using one, please let the office know.



✦ Celebrate the true meaning of Christmas ✦

Live Nativity



Sunday, December 15th
4:30-6:30

Little Cedar Parking Lot

The story will come to life with live costumed characters and animals, all while listening to Christmas carols. This will be an ecumenical opportunity for our community to come together and share in the joy and hope of the Christmas season.

A free-will offering will be taken for the Adams Town and Country Pool
Business sponsors welcome.
See sponsorship form on Facebook Event.

Little Cedar Service Group #3

Chairs: Tara Mandt and Sam & John Mueller

Jim & Lynn Johnson

Lucas & Emma Mandt

Brenda & Chris Landherr

Chans & Holly Meyer

Mike & Lisa Lamp

Emily Billings & Jordan Harland

Mary Schmitz

Vicki Kiefer

Dave & Susan Lagerstedt

Marcia Mullenbach

Karen Anderson

Patricia & Ron Milks

Jill Sathre

Carol Lagerstedt

December 2024

Communion Clean-Up

1st, 22nd, and 24th

Coffee Hour

8th, 15th, and 22nd & 29th
(not December 1st—that is LYO)

Deliver Meals on Wheels

16th through 27th
(not December 25th)

Serve any functions requested

Little Cedar Readers

December 1—Jan Weness

December 8—YOUTH

December 15—Christmas Program

December 22—John Logsdon

December 29—Lessons & Carols

Christ In Our Home
January, February, March
Issue is available at both churches in the
entryway. Pick up your families copy
today!

Little Cedar Communion Helper

December 1—Cindy Jax



Marshall
Wednesday, December 4th

Little Cedar
Wednesday, December 18th

Holiday Office Hours

Closed ~ Christmas Day ~ Dec. 25th

Closed ~ Weds. & Thurs. Jan. 1st & 2nd

Merry Christmas

and

Happy New Year



Youth & Education News

Little Cedar Confirmation Church Assistants

- *December 1—Usher: Addie, Greeter: Addison
Communion: Sadie & parent
- *December 8—Greeter: Taya
- *December 15—Christmas Program
- *December 22—Usher: Taya, Greeter: Audrey
Communion: Addison & parent

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

- *December 1—Harper F.
- *December 8—Lane
- *December 15—Christmas Program
- *December 22—Hayden

Marshall Middle & High School Church Assistants

- *December 1—Usher: Aria, Communion: Sara
- *December 8—Christmas Program
- *December 15—Usher: Kenzie, Communion: Shannon
- *December 22—Usher: Addie



Little Cedar High School Communion Helpers

- December 1—Abby
- December 22—Nolan



Little Cedar High School Sunday is December 8th

- Ushers: Cameron & Liliana
- Readers: Elliot & Easton

Little Cedar High School Additional Help Needed—December 15th

- Greeter: Wyatt
- Ushers: Juliette & JJ

Little Cedar Senior High Coffee Hour

- December 1—Sorgatz Family
Kurt, Carrie, Abby, and Lauren



If you are unable to work your assigned Sunday please contact Tara.

Youth & Education News

Little Cedar Sunday School News

Christmas Program Practice:

December 1—10am to 11am **and** December 8—10am to Noon *Watch for emails on details

December 15th—Christmas Program at 9am with Sunday School party to follow!

We will not have Sunday School on December 22nd and 29th.

Marshall Sunday School News

Our Christmas Program is December 8th at 10:30am

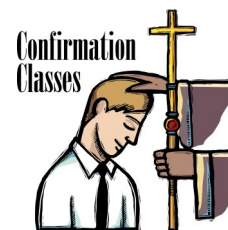


Confirmation News

December 4—Regular Class—Supper, Matheis Family

December 11—Regular Class—Supper, Stroup Family

December 18—Regular Class—Supper, Kellogg Family



We do not have class on December 25th or January 1st!!!!



Senior High Youth Group

We will help with The Live Nativity on December 15th. This is a service project. We will have our Christmas Party in January. We should have a date soon.

Respectfully submitted,

Junior High Youth Group

Our next meeting in our Christmas Party in January. Watch for emails.

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024**, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Lyndsey Hall, John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Joe Matheis, Spencer Medgaarden, Holly Meyer, Dixie Rose, Pat Sorenson, Jan Weness. Absent: Bryce Nelson, Tara Mandt.

The meeting was called to order by Spencer. The Mission Statement was read in unison.

Devotions were given by Lynn.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Holly, seconded by John to accept the report as printed. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: After review, motion by Holly, seconded by Jan to accept as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-Finance: The council reviewed the joint expense report

-Life and Missions: Next Sunday, November 24, new members will be recognized.

Committee members will prepare candy canes for Pastor to use as symbol for education about Christmas in weekday release classes.

-Personnel: The committee met with staff and printed report is attached.

Old Business:

-Meatball dinner: The drive through was considered a success. There were no final results on profit at this time.

New Business:

-Steamers- It was brought to the attention of the council that the steamers in the kitchen are no longer used.

The council decided that they could be sold.

-Rental Agreement: The rental fees for use of our building were reviewed and updated. Motion by Holly, seconded by John to update the fees as decided by the council. Carried.

-Thanks: Thanks went to Lynn Johnson for painting the storage shed east of the Fellowship Hall.

-It was decided by council to work with the bank to help with the Angel tree. A tree with tags suggesting Christmas gifts for individuals in need will be in the Narthex.

-Thanks: Gift certificates will be purchased with meatball money and given to Kevin Sathre for appreciation of the use of his meat mixer for meatballs and to Curt Heimer for meat grinding and his great service providing groceries for the meatball dinner.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned as closed with the Lord's Prayer.

The next meeting is **Wednesday, December 18, at 7:30**. Lyndsey will give devotions.

Jan Weness, Secretary

Little Cedar Council



Minutes – respectfully submitted by Amber Hanson, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Gary Kulow, President.
<p>Pastor Jeremy updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Jeremy shared a reading from Romans, Chapter 12. <input type="checkbox"/> Vicar Matt Ryan will be leading service on Sunday, November 10th. as Jeremy will be at St. John's. <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Release started for the elementary students and there are around 50 kids enrolled. <input type="checkbox"/> Real Hope for the Hungry food packing will be held in two weeks at Little Cedar with the religious release students helping to <input type="checkbox"/> Jeremy will send an email to both councils to see if it works to have a joint council meeting on November 20th at Little Cedar.
<p>Secretary and financial/treasurer's reports were reviewed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Total offering for October was \$2,385.00/\$524.00 for the Cause of the Month. <input type="checkbox"/> November Cause of the Month offering will be for Gerard Academy <input type="checkbox"/> Next month – December- Cause of the month will be for the Eagles Cancer <p>Motion to accept reports from Forrest with a second from Len. Motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Road repairs have been completed. <input type="checkbox"/> Central Lutheran date is set for November 25th. Kathy shared that they are not accepting socks this year, but the group will instead donate what has been collected to The Drawer.
<p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday, November 12th is the Salvation Army meal. Council is looking for volunteers to help serve the meal at 5pm. <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating committee this year consists of Gib and Darrell. Rotating off council next year is Len, Gary and Jan. Dale's two terms are also up, so he will also be rotating off. <input type="checkbox"/> Deb Fasbender said that the Dexter United Methodist Church has an organ that they want to give away. Deb went and played it and said it is in better shape than our current one. Dale to reach out to Kelli Popenhagen about going to measure the organ to see if it will fit in our space. If we pursue getting it, Jan will check if Kevin Spear wants the current organ before disposing of it. <input type="checkbox"/> We have been donated a Nativity Set. Dale will go get the platform that it sits on and see if it will work in the space outside of the church, potentially by the sign. <input type="checkbox"/> We got a new audio system and once it is set up, it will be moved to the Pastor's room. The new audio system will be able to make use of the 4 microphones that we have available as well. A motion by Jan and second by Lesley to pay for the system using Memorial Funds.
Motion to adjourn from Forrest with a second from Len. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

ACROSS A WHITE DECEMBER NIGHT,
EACH HOME IS FILLED WITH CANDLE LIGHT.
THE MOON SHINES BRIGHTLY IN A GOLDEN SKY.
STARS ARE TWINKLING WAY UP HIGH.



THE COOL, STILL AIR, A GLISTENING FROST,
SMOKING CHIMNEYS ON WHITE ROOFTOPS.
THE CHRISTMAS TREE, THE MISTLETOE,
CHRISTMAS CAROLS, OUR LOVED ONES AT HOME.



CHRISTMAS IS A TIME FOR MERRIMENT AND CHEER.
IT'S ALSO A TIME TO THANK GOD WE'RE HERE.
SO WHEN WE WAKE ON A BRIGHT CHRISTMAS MORN,
REMEMBER THE REASON WE CELEBRATE.
IT'S THE DAY OUR SAVIOUR WAS BORN.

WELCOME LITTLE CEDER NEW MEMBERS 2024

Jon & Ashley Krebsbach

Jon is a Truck Driver and Farmer

Ashley is a Registered Nurse

Children: Harper age 11 ~ Addy age 6 ~ Quint age 3

Hometown: Adams, MN

Hobbies: Camping, Gardening, Bike riding, Sports activities

Favorite sport/Sports team: Vikings and Twins



Jordon & Jordyn Foster

Jordon is a Transportation Generalist at MN DOT

Jordyn is a Dispatcher at Krueger Trucking

Children: Payton age 12 ~ Parker age 10 ~ Paige age 5

Hometown: Stewartville, MN

Hobbies: Showing cattle all over the State as a family

Community Involvement: Active in Olmsted County 4-H

Favorite Sport/Sports Team: Showing Cattle is our Sport

Family Fun: We started our own company called "Triple P Show Stock" to help promote our small herd of show cattle and show goats. "Triple P" stands for Payton, Parker & Paige.

Ethan Heard

Ethan is a CNC Operator

Hometown: Lyle, MN

Hobbies: Reading, Camping and Stargazing

Favorite Sport/Sports: Basketball

Community Involvement: Not much currently. Hope to change that.

Joey & Emily Smith

Joey & Emily both work at Hormel Foods

Hometown: **Joey's** ~ Stacyville, IA and **Emily's** ~ Blooming Prairie, MN

Children: Sophie Elkins age 11 ~ Alex Elkins age 9 ~ Olivia Smith age 3 ~ Hudson Smith age 1

Hobbies: Hobby Farm

Community Involvement: 4-H

Favorite Sport/Sports Team: Football-MN Vikings, Kansas City Chiefs, Iowa Hawkeyes and MN Gophers

Nick & Katie Lunning

Nick works at Agri-Steel in Lyle, MN ~ Katie is a first-grade teacher at Southland

Hometown: **Nick's** LeRoy, MN ~ **Katie's** Austin, MN

Children: Beau age 8 ~ Henry age 5 ~ Maclane age 3

Hobbies: Showing livestock, fishing, spending time on our Hobby Farm

Community Involvement: Active in Country Aces 4-H

Favorite Sport/Sports Team: MN Vikings