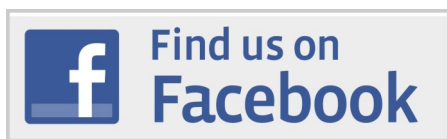


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2025



Look us up on Facebook and click Like. You will be updated on activities, prayer concerns and more.

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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



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## Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



### *Lamentations 3:25-26*

<sup>25</sup> *The Lord is good to those who wait for him,  
to the soul that seeks him.*

<sup>26</sup> *It is good that one should wait quietly  
for the salvation of the Lord.*

Greetings Little Cedar and Marshall Lutheran Churches!

This year feels a bit strange to me. Easter is late this year. Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup>, and Easter is April 20<sup>th</sup>. It can still be even later, but it is not unusual for Lent to start in February. This makes February a bit interesting this year. The excitement of the new year has faded, but spring still feels far away. We find ourselves in an “in-between” time—not quite winter, not yet spring. These in-between moments can feel frustrating, like we’re just waiting for the next big thing. But what if God is just as present in these in-between times as he is in the mountaintop moments?

Throughout Scripture, we see that God often works in the waiting. The Israelites wandered in the wilderness before reaching the Promised Land. The disciples spent days in uncertainty between the crucifixion and resurrection. Even Jesus Himself spent time in the quiet of the desert before beginning His public ministry. These seasons of waiting were not wasted; they were times of preparation, growth, and trust. The passage above from Lamentations reminds us that waiting is not wasted time—it is an opportunity to trust in God’s goodness and faithfulness. It encourages patience and hope, even in the in-between seasons of life.

If you feel like you find yourself in the in-between time, be encouraged! God is at work even when you can’t see it. He invites us to trust Him in the process, to be faithful in the small things, and to recognize His presence in every season. So, as we journey through February, let’s embrace the in-between. Let’s use this time to seek God, to grow in faith, and to prepare our hearts for what He has ahead. Because no season is wasted in the hands of our loving God.

Blessings everyone!


Pr. Jeremy



**February 5th**  
Marshall Council Meeting

**February 19th**  
Little Cedar Council Meeting

**Looking Ahead**  
March 5th  
Ash Wednesday @ Little Cedar




**Zumbro River WELCA**  
**Spring Conference**  
“Growing in God’s Love “  
Saturday ~ April 5, 2025  
At Zion Lutheran Church  
400 5th Ave. NE  
Stewartville, MN 55976

**Registration Deadline: March 15th**  
**Fee: \$15.00 at door**

**9:30am Registration & Displays**  
**10:30am Welcome and Program**  
**Speaker Emily Carlson from the SE MN Synod Office**  
**Special Guest: Rev. Martha Kitiku ~ From Tanzania**  
**Lunch @ Noon**  
**Sign up sheet on bulletin board outside of the church office.**





♥**Prayers:** Those known to have been hospitalized, ill or in need of prayers:  
Bob Hanson ~ Rod Sprau ~ Penny Kane ~ Gordon Klaudt ~ 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.

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

<b><u>Sunday Worship:</u></b>	Little Cedar 9:00am	Marshall 10:30am
<b><u>Sunday School:</u></b>	September - May	Marshall 9:30am and Little Cedar 10:00am

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Youth & Education Director	Tara Mandt	taramandt1cm@gmail.com



**GREAT NEWS**

Little Cedar will be collecting plastic bags for recycling. There will be a container in the hall for you to deposit your bags in. A list of acceptable bags to recycle is posted on the bulletin board outside the office.

♥MARSHALL CAUSE OF THE MONTH♥

“Ronald McDonald House”

ROCHESTER



In the Narthex at Little Cedar are a variety of sizes of Thrivent T-shirts for the taking.

Help yourself!

**CHURCH COUNCIL**

**MARSHALL COUNCIL 2025**

- Cody Grant
- Lonny McKay
- Rhonda Emanuel
- Kathy Voigt
- Kevin Hanson
- Adam Chapek
- Lesley Heimer
- Forrest Himebaugh
- Carie Hanson
- Amber Hanson
- Patricia Kulow



- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Financial Sec.

Marshall Council meets the  
1st Wednesday of each month

**LITTLE CEDAR COUNCIL 2025**

- Ethan Heard
- Jim Johnson
- Tara Mandt
- Pat Sorenson
- Bryce Nelson
- Dixie Rose
- Joe Matheis
- Spencer Medgaarden
- Holly Meyer
- Jan Weness
- Nancy Smith
- Joe Matheis
- Janet Stephenson
- Lyndsey Hall



- Co-Chairman
- Co-Chairman
- Secretary
- Financial
- Financial
- Financial
- Treasurer

Little Cedar Council meets the  
3rd Wednesday of each month

### Little Cedar Service Group #2

**Chairs: Ken & Becky Hartwig, Nicole & Spencer Medgaarden, and John & Cindy Jax**

Deb Fasbender	Linda Gilles
Lori & Brian Hill	Steve & Audrey Schroeder
Lilly & Mark Sorenson	Kurt & Carrie Sorgatz
Del & Marge Sorgatz	Randy & Janet Stephenson
Larry & Tammy Wilson	Gladys Morgan
Jim & Joni Osmundson	Pat Sorenson
Dorothy Triplett	Emily Billings & Jordan Hartland
Megan Emanuel	Jordan & Jordyn Foster
Kate Wiste	Kayla Gilles


**February 2025**  
**Communion Clean-Up**  
 February 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>

**Deliver Meals on Wheels**  
 February 10<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup>

**Coffee Hour**  
 February 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>  
 (Not February 2<sup>nd</sup> – that is LYO)

**Serve any functions requested.**

**Little Cedar Readers**  
**February 2—Bryce Nelson**  
**February 9—YOUTH**  
**February 16—Jan Weness**  
**February 23—Sam Mueller**



**Church Council**

**Marshall**  
**Wednesday, February 5th**

**Little Cedar**  
**Wednesday, February 19th**

**Little Cedar Communion Helper**  
**February 2**  
**Lynn Johnson & Kiyanna Meyer**

**Handicap Operator Installation**



There has been an interest in installing an automatic handicap door operator for our main entry at Little Cedar to better serve those that need a helping hand as they enter the building. The cost to install the operator comes to \$6,250. Thus far \$1,650 has been donated towards the cost. We also have undesignated memorial money that can be used towards this effort but, know that folks may like to help support this effort. If you would like to contribute towards this project, checks can be turned into the office or placed in the offering plate.

**Please mark as handicap door donation.**



Pastor Jeremy will host a Bible Study  
**“Everyday Life in Biblical Times”**  
 Thursday’s at 9:30am.

# Youth & Education News

## Little Cedar Confirmation Church Assistants

- \*February 2—Usher: Taya, Greeter: Audrey  
Communion: Addison & parent
- \*February 9—Greeter: Addie
- \*February 16—Usher: Audrey, Greeter: Payton  
Communion: Audrey & parent
- \*February 23—Usher: Addie, Greeter: Sadie

## Little Cedar Worship Assistants

- \*February 2—RaeLynne
- \*February 9—Grayson
- \*February 16—Parker
- \*February 23—Harper K.

## Marshall Middle & High School Church Assistants

- \*February 5—Usher: Addie, Communion: Alex
- \*February 12—Usher: Aria
- \*February 19—Usher: Adam, Communion: Shannon
- \*February 23—Usher: Aria



## Little Cedar High School Communion Helpers

- February 2—Adelyn
- February 16—Beau



## Little Cedar High School Sunday is February 9th

- Ushers: Abby & Justin
- Readers: Justin & Wyatt

## Little Cedar Senior High Coffee Hour

February 2—Sathre Family



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

# Youth & Education News

## Little Cedar Sunday School News

We do not have class on February 2nd and February 16th.

## Marshall School News

We will have regular class the month of February.



## Confirmation News

- February 5—Regular Class—Supper, Stroup Family
- February 12—Regular Class—Supper, Mergen Family
- February 19—Regular Class—Supper, Matheis Family
- February 26—Regular Class—Supper, Heimer Family

**Looking ahead! First Communion classes start on March 5th. This is for our 4th grade students and any older students who would like to participate!**

**Watch your emails for information!**

**First Communion Sunday is on Palm Sunday, April 13th.**



## Senior High Youth Group

We were not able to meet in January. Fingers crossed for February.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Abby Sorgatz, Secretary

## Junior High Youth Group

Watch for emails ~ we hope to get together soon!

**The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, January 15, 2025, at 7:30 p.m.**

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

The meeting was called to order by Holly Meyer. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Pat Sorenson gave devotions. Motion by Jan, seconded by John, to nominate and cast a unanimous ballot for Holly and Spencer to be co-chairmen of the congregation. Carried.

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

Correspondence: Pastor brought correspondence from the Mission Investment Fund. It was decided that along with Millie Weness' name on documents, Bryce Nelson and Lyndsey's Halls should also be included.

**Treasurer's Report:** As Lyndsey was absent, Pastor reviewed the report. Motion by Jan, seconded by Dixie to approve the report as printed. Carried.

**Committee Reports:**

-Building: A second estimate was brought to install an automatic entry door.

-Finance: The shared expense report with Marshall was reviewed

-Worship: We will again use the Holden Evening Prayer Service for Lenten services. St. John's Elkton would like to share Lenten services with our two congregations. They will host the second soup supper and Lenten service on March 12th

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Jeremy will lead Bible study every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. for the next several weeks. The information will also be available on line.

**Old Business:**

- Automatic Entry Door: Motion by Joe, seconded by Tara, that we move forward with the installation of a three-button automatic entry door for the cost of \$6,250. The payment to come from a donation of \$1,600 from a family and the balance to come from undesignated memorial funds. Carried.

Any donations toward the project are welcome.

**-Disburse Mission Money:** Motion by Pat, seconded by Bryce to donate to the following from the Mission Fund: Good Earth Village- \$500, Youth-\$1000, Salvation Army-\$500, Mankato and Winona Campus Ministry-\$500, Lutheran Disaster Relief-\$1000. Carried.

**-New Member Brunch:** A date will be set to serve a new member brunch to welcome new members and have fellowship. Life and missions committee will serve the brunch.

The next meeting is **Wednesday, February, 19, at 7:30 p.m.** Dixie will give devotions.

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

*Jan Weness*, Secretary

Little Cedar Council





Minutes – respectfully submitted by Amber Hanson, Marshall Secretary

Topics
Meeting was called to order by Gary Kulow, President.
Pastor Jeremy updates: <input type="checkbox"/> Jeremy is starting a Bible Study next week and will send the information out for all via email. <input type="checkbox"/> Ash Wednesday is March 5th and the offering from that night will go to the youth. <input type="checkbox"/> Jeremy will do the Holden Evening Prayer and skits again for Lenten Services this year. Jeremy will share with St. John's, if they reach out, that we would be willing to have Lenten Services with them and/or host out there.
Secretary and financial/treasurer's reports were reviewed. <input type="checkbox"/> Total offering for December was \$11,940.00/\$502.00 for the Cause of the Month. <input type="checkbox"/> January Cause of the Month offering will be for The Landing. <input type="checkbox"/> Next month – February Cause of the month – Ronald McDonald House Motion to accept reports from Forrest with second from Kevin. Motion carried.
Old Business: <input type="checkbox"/> Forrest purchased new lights for the organ, as well as the piano. <input type="checkbox"/> Len will post the organ on Facebook Marketplace to see if anybody is interested in it.
New Business: <input type="checkbox"/> Council reviewed the proposed budget for 2025 and made revisions. Motion to accept the proposed budget for 2025 from Jan with a second from Len. Motion carried.
Motion to adjourn from Len with a second from Forrest. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Lesley Heimer		Dale Himebaugh (Fin. Secy)	X	Lonny McKay	
Carie Hanson (treasurer)	X	Jan Johnson	X	Forrest Himebaugh	X
Amber Hanson (Secy)	X	Pastor Jeremy Johnson	X	Len Mensink	X
Kevin Hanson	X	Gary Kulow	X	Kathy Voigt	



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.



February



**\$\$\$ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS\$\$\$**

This is a reminder to designate your Choice Dollars for the New Year. Choice Dollars for the calendar year can be directed until March 31st of the following year.