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January 2019

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Pastor's Page

Exodus 20:8-10

⁸ Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns.

HAPPY NEW YEAR LITTLE CEDAR AND MARSHALL LUTHERAN CHURCHES!,

As I write this article the busyness of Christmas is almost done. The holidays can get so busy. Fun stuff. But busy. Things typically seem to slow down a bit once January and February come around. Schedules free up a bit more and people just seem to take a bit slower. The bitter cold and snow probably has something to do with it. A big snow storm certainly slows things down pretty quick. I typically look forward to this time of quiet and rest.

I'd invite you to take that time to rest. Rest is always important for the body, mind, and spirit. It gives us renewed energy to put our best foot forward. Even when I'm busy, I'm amazed by how helpful it can be to take time to rest. Although, it's not always easy to find time for rest.

Scripture speaks of rest. In fact, it's a commandment. The seventh day is a sabbath. You shall rest. Not only is it a day to worship God, but it is also a day for much needed rest. God knows this and so gave this command.

Peace to you all in the New Year!

Pr. Jeremy

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Important Dates

January 9th

Marshall Council Meeting

January 13th

Little Cedar Annual Meeting

January 16th

Little Cedar Council

January 20th

Marshall Annual Meeting





Little Cedar

Sunday, January 13th following worship.

All reports are due in the church office by

Wednesday, January 9th

Marshall

Sunday, January 20th following Worship
All reports due in the church office by
Wednesday, January 16th

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

Alice Koball ~ Curt Hamilton ~ Marcelle Voigt ~ Allan Lewison June Wolf ~ Brandi (Granddaughter of June Wolf) ~ Mary Finbraaten Karen Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)



Mel Thome ~ MaryAnn Munson ~ Dan Morgan Dawn Weaver (Daughter of Neil & Judy Johnson)

Weddings:

LC ~ Lori Krull & Brian Hill

Baptism:

LC ~ Conley Steven Bergene ~ Parents Nathan & Justine Bergene

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

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 and Marshall 9:30am

Senior Pastor Jeremy Johnson pastorjeremy@frontier.com
Office Administrator Kathy Voigt kathyvoigt@frontiernet.net
LC Education Director Tara Mandt taramandt@frontiernet.net
Youth Director Tara Mandt taramandt@frontiernet.net
Day Care Director Kate Wiste lcdaycare14@gmail.com

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Daycare News December 2018



Daycare News

December was filled with the gift of giving! Bryce & Kellie Nelson generously donated two new high chairs, crib mattress and a few books through their

Thrivent membership. Shane and Lindsey Hanson generously donated gently used toys that the kids can't get enough of. We are very fortunate to live in such a loving community that cares so much for the children!! THANK YOU!! The kids made "cookies for Santa" plates and elf ornaments with their pictures on them for presents to their parents. They turned out really great! We made sugar cookies and decorated them along with doing some art projects at our Christmas party. We learned about Timmy the Triangle, J, K, 6 and the color RED We made koala bear puppets, shooting stars and gingerbread play doh, which the kids thought smelt really bad! We had a Merry Christmas. Hope you did too! Have A Happy New Year, everyonell

Kate Wiste, Director Little Cedar Daycare

Bible Study Continues

Come join Pastor Jeremy to dig into the Holy Spirit, the Church, the Gospel! January Bible Study will be held Thursday ~ **January 10th, 17th & 24th at 9am.** As always, the study sheets will be available on the Pastor's door, and the Bibl-E-Study will be sent out each week of the study.



'Ages 45-64 fully support you, 65 and over are satisfied, the 18-30 group are mixed, and the 31 to 44 year olds say you've lost your mojo!"

\$\$\$Little Cedar Financial Report\$\$\$

2018 Budget \$216,531.00

2018 Income 11/30/18 \$175,722.77

2018 Expenses 11/30/18 \$201,801.00

Budget Deficit 11/30/2018 \$ -26,078.29

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 today? We've made is easy! Just scan the QR code to make a contribution using Paypal or your credit card right now!



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Service Group #3

Brad & Maria Johnson (507)438-6449 Co-Chairperson ~ July

Jim & Lynn Johnson (507)440-0401 Co-Chairperson ~ January

Jan & Roger Weness - (507)582-3197

Vicki Kiefer Family (507)582-7768

Brenda & Chris Landherr (507)438-1151

Kurt & Carrie Sorgatz (507)438-6023

Joann Klingerman Family (507)440-5605

Shirley Thome (507)582-3215

Ed & Carol Koch (507)433-4874

Lynn & Carol Lagerstedt (507)582-3182

Dave & Susan Lagerstedt (507)582-8138

Mike & Lisa Lamp (507)582-7854

June Nelson (507)582-3239

Jim & Connie Sathre Family

Sean Gilson (507)438-0994

Del & Marge Sorgatz (507)440-7492

Kate Wiste (507)582-1434 Work

Jeremy & Bonny Bryan





January 2019

Communion clean-up

January 6th & 20th

Coffee hours

January 13th, 20th, 27th

Deliver Meals on Wheels January Ist thru 4th

Serve any funerals held

Serve any functions requested

Your Chairperson or one of your

Co-Chairpersons will contact you with information for your service group.

Head Usher for January

Maynard Lewison 582-3324

COME ALONG!

Cause of the Month for January Marshall

"Campus Ministry"

Readers

Jan. 6th Carol Matheis

Jan. 13th Dawson Gilson & Noah Lamp

Jan. 13th Steve Schroeder

Jan. 20th Cindy Jax

Jan. 27th Nancy Thalberg

Quilters meet at Little Cedar



Monday
January 7th @ 1:00pm

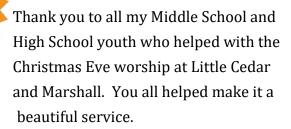
Youth & Education News



The next **Senior High LYO** meeting **Group** is tentatively set for **Sunday**, **Janu**ary 13th. Watch for plans.

December Minutes—The Senior LYO held their December meeting on Sunday, December 9th. We went to Walmart to shop for Toys for Tots. We had almost \$900 to work with from the kind donations of our congregations. We then had supper and our Christmas party at Perkins. We had 14 kids and it was a great time. It was so wonderful to be able to buy gifts for children in need. Our next meeting is scheduled for January 13th.

Thank you!!



Junior High LYO Christmas Party

So... sledding is out with the temperatures we will have the next few days! Bowling it is!

We will meet Sunday Jan. 6th at 3:30pm in the Little Cedar parking lot to head to LeRoy for bowling, supper and our gift exchange. The LYO will pay for the bowling. Please have your child bring money for supper. They also need to bring a white elephant gift that is good for either a boy or girl for about \$10. We will play a gift exchange game with dice or cards.

Please let me know if your child can go so we can have enough drivers available.

Thanks,

Tara

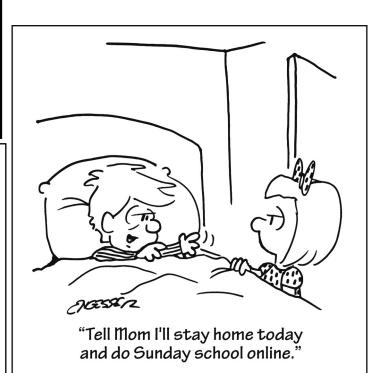
Junior High LYO

We are tentatively scheduled for Sunday, January 6th to go bowling and have our Christmas Party and Gift Exchange. Watch email for details on time and location.

Little Cedar Sunday School News

Way to go students! The Christmas Program was wonderful and you all did an amazing job. Thanks to everyone who helped make it happen as well.

Sunday School will be back in full swing on January 6th.



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CONFIRMATION NEWS

Mentor Night is January 16th.

The 6th Grade does **NOT** have class on January 16th.

Confirmation Meals

January 2nd & 9th—Canterbury's January 16th—Anderson's January 23rd—Kiefer's January 30th—Mergen's

Marshall Church Assistants

*January 6—Trent Canterbury

*January 13—Julia Kiefer

*January 20—Chloe Whipple

*January 27—Jessie Hanson

Little Cedar Church Assistants

*January 6—U: Hope Stephens G: Matthais Anderson *Communion Family—Cody Krull

*January 13—U: Gavin Mergen G: Khlover Schulz

*January 20—U: Riley Walerak G: Brad Lagerstedt

*January 27—U: Hope Stephens G: Gregory Crumb

*Communion Family—Mathais Anderson



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

Little Cedar Worship Assistants

*January 6—Wyatt Krull

*January 13—Cameron Bryan

*January 20—Ella Johnson

*January 27—Easton Meyer



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

Little Cedar Youth Sunday is January 13th.

Readers are: Dawson Gilson & Noah Lamp Ushers are: Hannah McMasters & Cole Medgaarden

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

Little Cedar January Coffee Hour is

January 6th. The lead family is Jaymie & Kylie Poshusta. The youth helper is Lydia Wik.

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

Communion Helpers

January 6—Noah Milks

January 20—Chase Johnson

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



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The Little Cedar Church council met on Wednesday, **December 19, 2018,** at 7:00, at the Jan Weness home. A soup and pot luck supper was enjoyed by council members. The meeting was called to order by chairperson, Steve Schroeder. The mission statement was read in unison. Jan Weness gave devotions. Present: Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Linda Logsdon, Joe Matheis, Steve Schroeder, Carrie Sorgatz, Tracy Smith, Janet Stephenson, Jan Weness, and Millie Weness. Absent: Mary Conroy, Lydia Frank, Mike Lamp, Lyn Meany, Sarah Mergen, Sherry Schotanus, Isaac Ydstie.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> <u>Motion</u> by Janet Stephenson, <u>seconded</u> by Millie Weness that the secretary's report be approved as printed. Carried.

Correspondence: Joe read a thank you from ELCA Disaster Response for the \$1000 gift given for hurricane relief. The Ronald McDonald House send a thank you for the \$76.59 donated from pop cans and tabs collected. Grand Meadow Senior Living sent a thank you for our welcoming response to the residents that attended our lutefisk dinner. Joe also reported a gift of \$2000 from Roger and Mary Sanders, Bend, Oregon, stating that family members have fond memories of Little Cedar.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Millie reviewed the treasurer's report expressing a real concern about our continued low balance. <u>Motion</u> by Jan Weness, <u>seconded</u> by Joe Matheis that the treasurer's report be accepted as submitted. Carried. The council had a discussion about encouraging members to use automatic withdrawal, bill pay or pay pal as a convenient and consistent way to contribute to the church. More information will be forthcoming on the pulpit, in the Church Mouse, church bulletin and personal letter to all members.

Committee Reports:

No committees reporting

Outstanding Business:

-The question was asked if we met our \$3000 goal for Real Hope for the Hungry food pack held in November. Donations are still coming in and there will be a full report at the January meeting.

New Business:

- -The Little Cedar annual meeting will be on Sunday, January 13, following worship
- -Joe reported on bids for new windows throughout the building. <u>Motion</u> by Joe Matheis, <u>seconded</u> by Tracy Smith, that the building committee recommends that we present information on the replacement of windows throughout the building, with the exception of those in the sanctuary, at the annual meeting. <u>Carried</u>.
- -Motion by Tracy Smith, <u>seconded</u> by Carrie Sorgatz that we begin the process of installing an electronic bell ringer with the payment to come from donations given to the bell ringer fund. <u>Carried</u>.

The next meeting is Wednesday, January 16, at 7:30 p.m. Devotions will be given by Pastor Jeremy. The meeting was adjourned and closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Jan Weness, Secretary
Little Cedar Council



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Minutes

Respectfully submitted, Dawn Kiefer,

Marshall Council Secretary

Marshall Lutheran Church

December 5, 2018

Council meeting

Genesis 22: 15-18



¹⁵ The angel of the LORD called to Abraham from heaven a second time¹⁶ and said, "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, ¹⁸ and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me."

Topics

Meeting was called to order by Gary Kulow

Pastor Jeremy updates:

Confirm that Christmas Eve service at Marshall will be held at 7:30 p.m.

Real Hope for the Hungry meal preparation/packing went well. Approximately 14,920 meals, 2400 bags of rice will be sent. Donations are still being collected (for payment). Note that funds from Weness memorial may be used to cover the balance (if needed).

LYO collecting for Toys for Tots. Delivery of toys is planned for Sunday, 12/9. Please drop any toy or \$ donation at Little Cedar by Sunday morning.

Adams Bank also has a sharing tree that identifies items needed by members of the community.

Donna motions that \$200 from the Neighbor in Need fund be used for Sharing Tree items. Second from Forrest. Motion carried.

Church in the Barn – services to be held at Kevin Sathre farm Sunday, 12/9 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Total offering for November \$4,579.00/\$547.02 COM (Gerard Academy).

December Cause of the Month offering will be for Marshall Sunday School.

Motion by Craig to accept the reports; motion second from Donna. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- *Doors have been delivered to Adams Builder's Supply. Determination as to when they may be installed and who is able to do the install. Forrest, Craig to inquire.
- *Forrest to inquire with Leif, if needed, Craig may inquire with Tom Kiefer. Council agrees it would be nice to have install completed for Christmas.
- *Council discusses pictorial directory as Little Cedar has decided to pursue. Dawn to see if Kristina might be available to join the February Council meeting for information sharing. Participating members would get a free directory and could purchase additional pictures if desired.

New Business:

COM identified for first four months of 2019 (attachment).

Council will prepare the 2019 budget during the meeting on January 2nd. Review of salaries will be done with budgetary planning. Annual meeting to be held January 20th after church services and potluck. Note that Julie, Forrest and Gary have completed their terms Review of Holiday gifts with approval from the General Fund as below:

Tara Mandt = \$100.00 Kathy Voigt = \$150.00

Dale & Thelma Himebaugh = \$100.00

Amy DeHogh = \$100.00 Deb Fasbender = \$100.00

Move to ajourn from Gus second from Andrew, Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.