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Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse



April 2021





Mark 16:1-7

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus' body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, "Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?"

- ⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed.
- ⁶ "Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, 'He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.'"

GREETINGS MARSHALL AND LITTLE CEDAR LUTHERAN CHURCHES,

The followers of Jesus must have been crushed. The one who they thought was their savior had been crucified. As far as they were concerned, it was over. Everything that they thought to be true was wrong. At this time, they still didn't seem to realize that Jesus needed to die on a cross, so that he could conquer death.

I went to the freezer the other day. I knew there were some ice cream sandwiches in there. After a long day, it sounded delightful. There the box was in the freezer. I grabbed the box....and I opened it up....and reached inside....and it was empty. There is always someone in the family that will leave an empty box in the freezer, or fridge, or cabinet. I'm sure I've even done it once or twice.

Typically, there is nothing good about finding something empty. It is without a doubt disappointing, except for at least one thing. On Easter morning we find an empty tomb. That indeed is good news! The tomb represents death. An empty tomb represents life!

Blessings!

Pastor Jeremy





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Important Dates

April 1st

Maundy Thursday

April 2nd

Good Friday

April 4th

Marshall Council

April 7th

Marshall Council

April 18th

Drive Thru Meatball Dinner

April 21st

Little Cedar Council



Mark Your Calendars

Confirmation Sunday is May 2nd At Little Cedar

Kendra Helgesen, Micah Johnson, Adelyn Kiefer

and Abigail Sorgatz

At Marshall

Bryson Kellogg and Ella Mensink

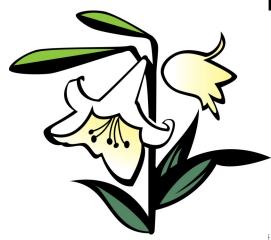
Senior Sunday is May 23rd At Little Cedar



Avery Medgaarden, Brielle Wempner, Lydia Wik

At Marshall

Kelsey Mensink



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

Larry Meyer (Brother-in-law) of Shirley Thome Mavis Klaudt~Terry Emanuel~Judy Johnson~Curt Lewison~Gloria Mallory



Funerals @ Little Cedar

Duane Wigham Pete Lonergan

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

2021





















COVID Office Hours Are: Monday ~Tuesday ~Thursday ~ Friday from 10:00am 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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Another month has flown by! We had so many birthday celebrations!! We had 3 daycare friends and of course had to recognize Dr. Seuss on his birthday. We ate green eggs and made Cat in the Hat headbands. We learned about frog life cycles and turtles and how they use their shells as protection like a shield. The kids compared a turtle to Captain America because of that! Since we learned about the letters R, S and T, we made rhinos, and sandcastles and tractors. Dinah the Diamond was our shape for March and 15 and 16 were our numbers, green was our color. Along with the birthdays, we celebrated St. Patrick's Day. We made a trap, but didn't have any luck with catching one. We made cookies, leprechaun puppets and read books. We also talked about doctors and how they help us even if they give us ouches, such as shots. They keep us healthy and safe. We enjoyed a few nice spring days, hoping it warms up again and we are done with the winter weather!

Kate Wiste ~

Little Cedar Daycare Director



COVID NEWS

You must wear a mask when in the building.

For showers, reunions etc. in the Fellowship Hall, a cost of \$25 has been added for extra sanitizing that needs to be done after the event.



Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday 9am to 4pm
Closed Wednesday
Thursday & Friday 9am to 4pm



Cause of the Month for April Marshall "I ink"

Teen Homeless Program

POP CAN PICK

POP CAN PICKUP:

The wagon will be in Little Cedars Parking Lot on Saturday, April 10th thru Sunday, April 11th.

Money raised will go to Ronald McDonald House in Rochester.



Youth & Education News

Little Cedar Sunday School

We are working on a closing Sunday activity. Stay tuned.

Little Cedar & Marshall Senior High Youth Group

We miss being able to gather as a group. Stay tuned to text messages for plans for April. We are looking at a social distancing movie & pizza night.

Mark Your Calendars

Senior Sunday is scheduled for Sunday, May 23rd at both Little Cedar and Marshall

"I put in a jelly bean for pastor."

Confirmation News

We will have regular class in April for 7th and 8th Grade. Every Wednesday!

Meal at 6pm and class from 6:30 to 7:30pm.

Mark your calendars!
Confirmation Sunday is May 2nd.



Vacation Bible School

The Education Committee is working on a safe plan for VBS this summer. Stay tuned!

"Go spread the news; he's not in the grave.

He has arisen this world to save.

Jesus' redeeming labors are done.

Even the battle with sin is won."

Christ has arisen to set us free.

Alleluia, to him praises be.

Jesus is living! Let us all sing;

He reigns triumphant heavenly king.



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The Little Cedar Lutheran Church council met on Wednesday, March 17, 2021, at 7:30 p.m. Present: John Jax, Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Vicki Kiefer, Carol Matheis, Spencer Medgaarden, Chris Roser, Connie Sathre, Nancy Thalberg,

Tracy Smith, Jan Weness, Millie Weness. Absent: None.

The meeting was called to order by chairperson, John. The Mission Statement was read in unison. Devotions were given by Carol.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Carol, seconded by Connie to accept the report as corrected. Carried.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Millie explained the report. She is pleased how our members have remembered the church during the pandemic. Motion by Jan, seconded by Tracy to approve the report as printed. Carried.

Committee Reports:

-<u>Daycare</u>: Nancy reported on the daycare meeting. The daycare will continue to receive a \$1200/mo. COVID grant from Mower County from March through May. Kate will look for a shade for the cement area on the playground to protect babies and workers. Four days of paid vacation per year and holiday pay on holidays we are closed, but she would ordinarily work was added to the assistant's salary because she works 30+ hours per week.

<u>-Life and Missions:</u> The committee will be putting together and distributing goody bags for our homebound senior citizens before Easter.

-Youth and Education: Tara is beginning to make plans for the youth to travel to the LYO convention in 2022.

Pastor's Report: Pastor will be allowed beginning in April to go to AHCC for services.

Outstanding Business:

<u>-Shared Ministry Agreement:</u> Pastor reviewed the written agreement that will be approved by each congregation. The starting date for interim Marcia Pederson was March 9. <u>Motion</u> by Millie, <u>seconded</u> by Spencer to approve the agreement for shared ministry between St. John's, Elkton, Little Cedar and Marshall churches for the term of one year with stipulation that it will be reviewed in one year. <u>Carried</u>. Pastor will supervise interim Marcia, but LC will have no financial obligation. John, Carol and Jan volunteered to be on the joint committee.

<u>-Drive-Through Meatball Dinner:</u> Due to several conflicts, the date for the meatball dinner was changed to Sunday, April 18, from 4-6:30 p.m. It will be drive through only.

New Business:

<u>-Ecumenical Service</u>: There has been a request for an ecumenical service on Dairy Day's Sunday. The council approved Little Cedar services to be cancelled that day and a service would by held behind the Legion for all congregations in Adams.

<u>Baccalaureate:</u> The council gave approval for Pastor to go ahead and plan the Baccalaureate service for May 23rd. The service may be at Sacred Heart or the school auditorium.

-Worship Holy Week and Easter: A vote of all council members was taken on whether to continue with no singing, begin by singing the closing hymn on March 21, or to sing all liturgy and hymns beginning March 28. The majority voted to begin by singing the closing hymn March 21, and go to full singing on March 28. Masks will still be required.

<u>Easter Services</u>: It was decided to have two services at Little Cedar on Easter Sunday. The first will be at 7:00 a.m. and second at 9:00 p.m. This will allow for more distancing between attendees. The church will by sanitized between services.

The next meeting is Wednesday, April 21 at 7:30 p.m. Jan will give devotions.

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

Jan Weness~Secretary

Little Cedar Council



Minutes Respectfully submitted by, Dawn Kiefer, Marshall Secretary

Topics

Meeting was called to order by Len Mensink, President.

Pastor Jeremy updates:

• Note that Lenten Services are going well.

Secretary's and financial/treasurer's reports were reviewed.

- Total offering for February \$2,031.00/\$115.00 COM/Ronald McDonald House
- March Cause of the Month will be for "Link" (teen homeless program).
- PPP loan for \$7,000.00 received—forgivable loan to help cover payroll during COVID

Motion to accept reports from Gary with second from Darrell. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- No changes to current COVID action plan.
- Sabbatical Application process—Len, Dawn, Connie Sathre and Earl Orvik to meet Sunday to assist with documents.
- Intern ship—Marcia Peterson starting next Tuesday. Agreement presented to Council for review and endorsement. Group agrees that document will be reviewed annually. Motion to accept as written by Gary, second from Gary. Motion carried.
- Intern Committee Council members: Len Mensink, Carie Hanson, & Dawn Kiefer
- Carie to join finance committee. Additional finance committee member and personnel committee members below.
 - * Finance = Dale Himebaugh
 - * Personnel = Gary Kulow, Darrell Gordon

New Business:

- Pest Control report reviewed. Bill is paid, annually, in January.
- LC will do another drive through meatball dinner. Proceeds will go to ELCA Youth gathering. There will be an ask for youth as/if able. Tentatively planned for April 18th.

Motion to adjourn from Gary with second from Kevin. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer.

Dawn Kiefer-Secretary

Marshall Council



Meatball

Dinner

Little Cedar Lutheran Church Adams, MN 55909 Sunday, April 18, 2021

Serving 4:00PM TO 6:30PM

FREE WILL DONATION

Proceeds to support Youth attending the 2022 Youth Gathering



Menu:

Swedish Meatballs & Gravy ~ Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots ~ Coleslaw ~ Dinner Roll ~ Cookie

<u>Due to restrictions for COVID. We are going to have a Meatball</u> (<u>Drive Thru</u>) <u>Dinner held at</u>

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.