

# September 2014

Little Cedar & Marshall Churchmouse







#### 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. 17 **So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!** 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. 20 So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Greetings Marshall and Little Cedar Lutheran Churches!!

A new school year is upon us! Many students and teachers are heading back for a new year! During this time of year, many people change jobs, or have recently bought a new home. During the summer months, many of our routines take a change, but now we are back to the usual grind. For many, it is a time for new beginnings!

And everyone likes something new! Maybe a new computer, phone, power tools, or sewing machine. Get rid of the old, banged up, cluttered, and broken. It can be so exciting to purchase something new. It is in such pristine condition. Not a scratch on it and works like a charm. It almost makes you not want to use it.

From 2 Corinthians, we hear that "there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see everything has become new!" I have always found this to be one of the most uplifting pieces of scripture. The opportunity to start out new can bring so much hope. The change to start over, and rid one's self of the broken, banged up, and cluttered lives that we often times have. In Christ, God does not see us as broken, worn, messy, and banged up. God does not count our trespasses against us. God sees new life!

So as we head into this new school year, remember that in Christ you are made new. In baptism, you are marked with the cross of Christ and sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit forever. Every morning you wake up a new; as a baptized child of God!

Peace, Pr. Jeremy



#### **Important Dates**

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September 3rd Marshall Council

September 7th LC Rally Sunday

September 10th Confirmation Meeting

September 14th Senior LYO

September 17th

**Confirmation Starts** 

Little Cedar Council



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Joni Osmundson for planting the flower pots at the entrance of our church. Thanks to Jim & Shirley for watering them and keeping them beautiful.



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

Marge Bartholmey ~ Curt Hamilton ~Lois Lewison Arvis Gunderson ~ Val Pitzen ~ Jim Bustad ~ Norma Larson Raeann Kane (granddaughter of Curt & Geneva Hamilton)

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

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Office Hours Are: Monday through Friday from 9:00am to 2:00pm							
Sunday Worship:		Little Cedar 9:0	0am	Marshall 10:30am			
Sunday School: September -	Мау	Little Cedar 10:	00am	Marshall 9:30am			
Senior Pastor	Jerem	y Johnson	pastorj	eremy@frontier.com			
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Youth Director	Tara M	landt	tarama	ndt@frontiernet.net			
Day Care Director	Kate V	Viste	lcdayca	are@frontiernet.net			

For Pastoral emergencies please call: 507-574-1059



Quilters meet at Little Cedar

September 8th @ 1:00pm



Little Cedar Senior Choir Practice begins!

#### Sunday, September 7th

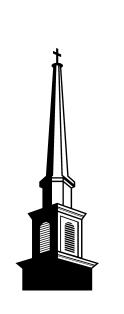
following worship.

Please Join Us!!!

#### Cause of the Month for August 2014

Marshall "Socks for the City"

Little Cedar "Central Lutheran" Homeless Ministry



#### Lutefisk News

We will have a lutefisk dinner this year if we get 2 people or 2 couples to help with the planning. During the past few years several chairmen of different areas of the dinner have done the planning. They are willing to work with a new committee this year but we cannot expect them to continue to organize AND work the extra hours they do at the dinner. If you are willing to take on this responsibility, please call the office (582-3185) or Pat Hinz (582-3466). Please don't make us come looking for you!!!



## Friends & Fellowship

Tuesday, September 9th @ Little Cedar Program @ 11:00am Lunch @ noon Cost \$5 All are welcome!!!



#### Service Group #2

Sarah & Kyle Mergen (421-2184) Co-Chairperson

Gloria Hill (582-3455) Co-Chairperson

Mavis Wermager (584-6628)

Linda Gilles (582-7734)

Bob & Marlene Hanson (507-251-6316)

Lamonte & Julie Gray Family (582-7871)

Arvis Gunderson (582-7785)

Curt & Geneva Hamilton (582-3149)

Kevin Hanson (325-4597)

June Hanson (433-5886)

Robert & Ramona Hanson (582-3469)

Ken & Becky Hartwig (433-4902)

Rick & Pat Hinz (582-3466)

Norm & Joan Hoeft (582-3564)

Bryant & Ann Hokeness (584-6812)

Duane & Meridee Wigham (582-3125)

Joyce Halver (582-3313)

### Christ In Our Home



Daily Devotionals Are here please pick Up a copy today in the church narthex At both Little Cedar and Marshall

#### September 2014

#### Communion Clean-up

7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

Coffee Hour 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

#### **Deliver Meals on Wheels**

8<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>

Serve any funerals held

Your Chairperson or one of your Co-Chairpersons will contact you with information for your service group.



Head Usher for September

Brian Bergene

507-437-8663

#### September Readers

- 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Kristina Matheis
- $14^{th} \sim Kelsie Lamp \& Maddie Wolff$
- $21^{st} \sim Cindy Jax$
- 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Pat Hinz





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Contact Tara if you are interested in signing up for the ELCA National Youth Gathering in Detroit from July 13th through July 19th, 2015.

**Detroit**—Stay tuned for upcoming events, fundraisers and details that will be coming up soon!

Thank you to everyone who promoted and supported our Thirty-One fundraiser for Detroit. We made a couple hundred dollars plus were able to buy products with our Hostess credits that we will have at a silent auction this winter to make additional money.

**Senior LYO**—Our first meeting will be on September 14th at 6pm. We will meet at Tara's house for supper and a bonfire. We will pick officers, plan the calendar and have some fun!

<u>Schwans-Cares Fundraiser</u>: Please continue to support the LYO on their fundraiser for the trip to Detroit in 2015. It is a super easy and delicious fundraiser! All you have to do is go to <u>https://</u> <u>schwans.flipgive.com/campaigns/10024-lyo-detroit</u> <u>-2015/fundraisers#content</u> and pick a student you would like to support or call 1-855-870-7208 and mention that you are purchasing for the LYO Detroit 2015 fundraiser and we will receive 20 to 40% of your purchase and the items will be delivered right to your door! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tara Mandt.

**R.O.C.** (Junior High Students) - Our first meeting will be on September 21st at 6pm. We will meet at Tara's house for supper, a bonfire and hopefully some fun too! We will plan our calendar for the year also.

# **Educational News**

#### Little Cedar Sunday School News Rally Sunday is Sunday, September 7th.

Cradle Roll Hearts will be presented to our 3-year-olds: Adeline Matheis, Taya Mergen, and Audrey Stroup

Bibles will be presented to our 2nd Graders: Micah Johnson, Calder Sheehan and Abby Sorgatz

#### Marshall Rally Sunday

Sunday, September 7th will be held outdoors (weather permitting) down by the storage shed. Cars may drive up to the area for those who don't want to walk to the location. Following the service you are invited to enjoy a

sloppy joe lunch that will be provided.



**Backpack Blessing** at Little Cedar and Marshall—Bring your school backpacks to worship on Sunday, September 7th for a special blessing. This is for all students from preschool to college as well as teachers and other adults who are interested.

# **Confirmation News &**

# **Worship News**



Churchmouse

7th & 8th grade Parent and Student Confirmation meeting will be Wednesday, September 10th at 7pm. We will discuss the class curriculum, changes and have meal sign-up.

All 7th Grade Students should have a mentor in mind for this meeting.

Our first class will be September 17th at 6pm.

#### Marshall Church Assistants

September 7 - Kendra Emanuel September 14 - Erin Hanson September 21 - Isaac Himebaugh September 28 - Haley Whipple

# Little Cedar Communion Helpers September 7—Brandon Bergene

September 21—Lucas Mandt



"Next time we'll sit closer."

Little Cedar Church Assistants U=Usher G=Greeter

September 7 - U: Hannah McMasters G: Cole Medgaarden Communion Family: Noah Milks

September 14 - U: Kylie Poshusta G: Dawson Gilson

September 21 - U: Carter Johnson G: Noah Lamp

Communion Family: Ashlynn Mandt

September 28 - U: Malina Luke G: Cade Sheehan

Little Cedar Acolyte & Worship Assistant Schedule:

September 7 - Lydia Wik

September 14 - Avery Medgaarden

September 21 - Chase Johnson

September 28 - Alizha Kappers

#### Little Cedar Youth-Led Sunday is

#### September 14th

Ushers: Tyler Crumb & Katlin Webber Readers: Kelsie Lamp & Maddie Wolff

If you are unable to be at church on your given Sunday, contact another Student to replace you or switch with you and then let Tara know.



Worship Helpers

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#### Marshall Church Council Meeting Minutes

#### July 2nd, 2014

#### Marshall Church Council Meeting Minutes

#### Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014

The Marshall Church council met for its regular meeting on Aug 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Present were: Pastor Jeremy Johnson, Dale Himebaugh, Darrell Gordon, Jerry Sprau, Luvern Hanson, Gary Kulow, Rhonda Hatle, Gus Johnson and Len (Karina) Mensink. Absent were: Craig Hanson, Carie Hanson, and Andrew Sprau.

The meeting was called to order by Dale. The Secretary's report from July was read. Luvern gave the

Financial Secretary's report for Carie with the total offering for the month of July being \$3680. Cause of the Month offering was \$129.20. Luvern gave the Treasurer's report. Rhonda made a motion that the reports be accepted as read with Gus seconding the motion. The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Pastor Jeremy thanked the church for the time off and all the helpers from VBS. 75+ kids plus MS and HS helpers. They could use more adult help next year. Pastor is busy preparing for Release time religion and Confirmation. Jerry had an update on the Endowment Fund after reading the charter. There should be a separate report for the Annual Meeting and we should discuss how to invest these funds at the annual meeting. Their will need to be a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote to approve using the funds for an "emergency". Another steeple bid was looked at from Schwickerts. Jerry moved we present this bid to the congregation and vote on accepting it IF the work can be done before winter. A new bid would be needed if it has to wait until spring. Motion was seconded by Gary.

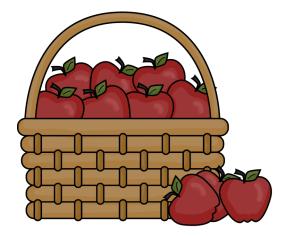
**NEW BUSINESS:** Job descriptions and contracts were reviewed. They will be officially discussed by the Joint Council/Personnel Committee but suggestions should be sent to Carol Mathias. A motion was made by Gary and seconded by Jerry to donate \$1000 to the LC building projects. Voted to pay ½ the cost for GEV campers. Jerry also moved that we make the suggested changes to the insurance policy and renew it. Seconded by Gary and the motion carried.

Darrel made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jerry seconded. The motion carried.

Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by:

Karina Mensink, Council Secretary



#### Little Cedar Church Council Minutes

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church Council met on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 @7:30pm. Members present: Karen Anderson, Pat Hinz, Jim Johnson, Joe Matheis, Cathy Roser, Mary Schmitz, Tracy Smith, Millie Weness, Linda Gilles and Pastor Jeremy Johnson. Members absent: Becky Hartwig, Tricia Milks, Rod Nordeng, Lani Wolff, and Nancy Smith. The meeting was called to order by Chair Pat Hinz.

**APPROVAL of COUNCIL MINUTES**: A <u>motion</u> was made by Mary Schmitz, <u>seconded</u> by Karen Anderson to approve the July 2014 Council Minutes, with the following correction to an omission in the July 2014 Council Minutes: **[A motion was made by Rod Nordeng, seconded by Karen Anderson to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented.]** <u>Motion carried</u>.

**CORRESPONDENCE/RECOGNITION of VISITORS**: Acknowledged letters from Campus Ministry and the Closing of Osmundson Brothers.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**: was presented by Millie Weness. A <u>motion</u> was made by Tracy Smith, <u>second-ed</u> by Cathy Roser to cash in the gift of 1000 shares of stock received and put in the general fund, per request from the gifter. <u>Motion carried</u>. There was discussion on the roof money received and pledged, to date. A <u>motion</u> was made by Karen Anderson, <u>seconded</u> by Tracy Smith to put a \$600 donation received, in the roof fund. <u>Motion carried</u>. A <u>motion</u> was made by Tracy Smith, <u>seconded</u> by Jim Johnson to renew the \$14,000 parsonage fund Bank CD, for a term of one year. <u>Motion carried</u>. A <u>motion</u> was made by Tracy Smith, <u>seconded</u> by Joe Matheis to approve the Treasurer's report, as presented. <u>Motion carried</u>.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. <u>Building</u>: Joe Matheis reported that the parking lot project is finished. They will return to paint the handicap markers on. The sound system mixer needs to be repaired or replaced. It may be more cost effective to replace it. Joe will check with the insurance company on coverage before any decision is made. The ceiling in the fellowship hall needs to be repainted, now that the roof work is completed. Still looking for someone to do this. Following discussion on the boiler, a <u>motion</u> was made by Cathy Roser, <u>seconded</u> by Tracy Smith to hire L&M Boiler Systems to clean and evaluate the boiler and to arrange for inspection to be done on it. <u>Motion carried</u>. The insurance company requires inspection of the boiler every five (5) years. It was last done in 2009.

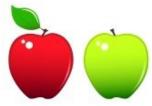
#### B. Cemetery: no report

C. <u>Daycare:</u> Linda Gilles reported that the daycare is in need of a couple new blinds. The committee wants to know if the church can pay for these, as it is part of the church building. A <u>motion</u> was made by Tracy Smith, <u>seconded</u> by Mary Schmitz to purchase window blinds for the daycare, money to come from the general fund. <u>Motion carried</u>.

D. Finance: no report

- E. Life & Missions: no report
- F. Personnel: see new business
- G. Youth & Education: hand out from Tara Mandt on VBS

Worship & Music: no report



**PASTOR'S REPORT**: Pastor will be gone on Sunday, November 22, 2014. He will check with Campus Ministry about coming that Sunday. If they cannot, someone from Pulpit Supply will be contacted.

#### Little Cedar Council Minutes continued~

#### **OUTSTANDING BUSINESS:**

A. Memorial Committee/Finance Committee: some discussion was held at a previous meeting about a memorial committee. The Finance Committee will take over the duties of the former memorial committee.

B. Lutefisk Dinner: will continue to look for volunteers to chair the dinner. The cost of food will be looked into so the price of tickets can be determined at the next meeting.

Tara's Laptop: Tara presented an overview of the type of computer and software she would need and the uses for the computer. A <u>motion</u> was made by Karen Anderson, <u>seconded</u> by Tracy Smith to purchase a laptop for youth and education, with the money to come from the Dean Julif's Fund, not to exceed \$800. <u>Motion carried</u>.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

A. Schmitz Bill: has been paid

B. Marshall's gift for the roof: Thank you was sent for Marshall's gift of \$1000.

C. Marshall's Share of Office Rent: this will be handled by the joint finance committee.

D. Hormel Grant: Rod Nordeng facilitated the application to the Hormel Foundation for monies for the roof, as the building is used for many community activities.

E. Personnel Information: all church employees will have contracts to sign and job descriptions. Council will peruse these and finalize at the next meeting.

F. Carpet Cleaning: will address later.

G. Membership List: needs to be updated each year.

H. Salvation Army Sharing Tree: will be given to the Life and Missions Committee to oversee.

September Cause of the Month: Central Lutheran

#### DATES to REMEMBER:

1. Next Council Meeting: September 17, 2014

September 2014 Newsletter Article Deadline: August 21, 2014

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Linda Gilles, Council Secretary

\*Submitted pending approval in September



It is time to start looking for items for the Lutheran World Relief Kits!! Please look at each list carefully as some changes have been made.

#### Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:

- One light-weight bath-size towel (maximum 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of soap, any brand, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging\*
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging

\*Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all the

items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

#### Include the following items in each Baby Care Kit:

- Two lightweight cotton t-shirts
- Two long- or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- Two receiving blankets, medium-weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, up to 52" square
- Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- One jacket, sweater or sweatshirt with a hood, or include a baby cap
- Two pairs of socks
- One hand towel, dark color recommended
- Two bath-size bars (4 to 5 oz.) of gentle soap, in original wrapping
- Two diaper pins or large safety pins

**Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.** Gently used, clean items (no stains or tears) can be substituted for new ones. Wrap items in one of the receiving blankets and secure with diaper pins. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.





#### Include the following items in each Fabric Kit:

• Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester). Each piece should match one of the sizes below:

- o 21/4 yards of 60" wide fabric, or
- o 3 yards of 44" wide fabric, or
- o 4 yards of 36" wide fabric
- o Two spools of neutral-colored, general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each

Fabric should have no stains or holes. Pieces do not need to match in size or color/pattern. Fold thread and one piece of fabric inside second fabric piece and tie with yarn, sturdy string, ribbon or a strip of fabric. Do not enclose the Fabric Kit or any of its contents in a plastic bag.

#### Include the following items in each School Kit:

- Four 70-sheet notebooks of wide- or college-ruled paper approximately 8" X 101/2"; no loose-leaf paper
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- One pencil sharpener
- One blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well)
- Five unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers; secure together with a rubber band
- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- One box of 16 or 24 crayons
- One 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" eraser
- Drawstring School Bag will be provided

**Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed.** All items should be new and in good condition. Remove any excess packaging, pack all items in bag and close. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.

### \*\*\*ALL KITS MUST BE TURNED IN BY MONDAY OCTOBER 6TH!!!\*\*\*





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