

July, 2022

NORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1327 North Salem Road

La Crosse, WI 54603

NORTH STAR NEWS is a non-profit publication containing information and concerns of members and friends of North Presbyterian Church of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Sunday Worship:

8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

10:00 A.M. Outdoor Services: July 10, July 31, August 14, Sept. 4
Virtually - Sunday at 8am on our Facebook Page or Website

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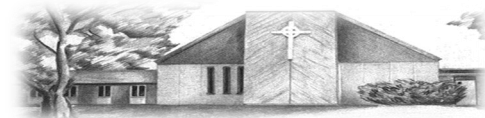
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Joel Cloutier



NORTHSTAR NEWS

North Presbyterian Church of La Crosse, WI.

“Sharing God’s love since 1870”

Pastor Scott’s Scripts

Last Sunday, I had the privilege and the great pleasure to share in the baptism of Pierce Albitz. Pierce was a little reluctant at first and then he was all in. He seemed to be fascinated with the whole process. His smiling face and joyful spirit made his Baptism extra special for me.

Near the end of his Baptism, I took my thumb, made a cross on Pierce’s forehead and said, “Pierce, child of the covenant, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism and marked as Christ’s own forever.”

It’s been said that “Baptism initiates us as members of a community.” A beloved community. The Body of Christ, no matter how far one should stray, the house of heaven will find us and call us to our true identity in Christ.

In Baptism, we receive the assurance that we are loved and treasured by Christ. In Baptism, we also discover our identity. That identity comes with certain expectations. We do our Baptized a disservice when we have little or no expectations of them.

As William Willimon shares with great conviction. “I pray for the time when the Church again courageously embraces her young at the font and proclaims, this is one of ours. This one belongs to us. God has big plans for this one!”

In Baptism we are marked as Christ’s own forever. That little mark of a cross on the forehead is a lifetime reminder that we belong to God and that God will always, always love us and our God will never give up on us.

In this divisive, rage-filled world, it can be easy and tempting to forget who we are. Let us remember our Baptism and let us celebrate that we are marked as Christ’s own forever.

I know Pierce tried to not let me mark him, but I was going to win. It is that important to me and to him.

See ya in church,
Pastor Scott

Women's Fellowship Outing July 14th

First we'll enjoy lunch at
4 Sisters restaurant
located in downtown La Crosse
At 11:30 a.m.



Next will be a
La Crosse Queen river cruise from 1:30-3:00 p.m.
The cost of the cruise is \$10
Sign-up in the Narthex

Sunset Gardens Fellowship Activity

Saturday, July 9th at 5:00 p.m.

We have reserved a table to enjoy music and wood-fired pizza!

Sign-up in the Narthex



THANK YOU
Pie bakers, donators, bidders, &
buyers!!!
We were able to raise \$955.

July 2022 Session Meetings Highlights

Yearly financial reports totals from May 31, 2022:

Total income \$133,925.43

Total expense \$104,136.81

Net ordinary income \$29,788.62

Net income \$15,820.99

Cash and Investments \$629,280.06

Checking account balance \$147,242.04 (as of 6/22/22)

The rummage sale brought in \$2355. The annual pie sale earned \$935.

Session members discussed mission opportunities. \$500 will be sent to St. Clare's health mission.

We are working on plans for the outdoor worship area.

Three new Japanese Lilac trees will be planted in the church yard.

July 2022 MOBILE MEALS



We need volunteers to deliver Mobile Meals
July 18th– July 24th
Please help those less fortunate by delivering meals!!

PICK UP WHERE

Mayo Clinic Hospital on Market St., between 10th &
11th

PICK-UP TIME

10:50—11:00 AM

Please Call or email the Church Office to sign up
office@npclax.org

North Presbyterian Church Presents 2022 YOUTH GOLF CAMP



WHEN: July 11th and 12th

TIME: 1:30—3:00 p.m.

WHERE: Coulee Golf Bowl Practice Area

COST: FREE

Please bring your clubs or clubs will be provided.
Games, Prizes, Ice Cream, & tons of laughter and FUN!

Pastor Scott will give beginner instruction, share common etiquette expectations. Youth will hit, putt, chip, and learn basic golf skills. Following completion of the Youth Golf Camp, all campers are welcome to play in the Thursday morning Jr. Golf League organized and supervised by Pastor Scott. (More information detailed within the newsletter).

Open to all kids from ages 5 - 18!!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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|--------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 Arik Frost | 21 Debra Conder |
| 2 Bill McMullin | Steve Zielke |
| 5 Bill Soper | Ann Barney |
| 6 Bob Symicek | 23 Abe Molling |
| 9 Sue Leathen | Ella Stoker |
| Ruth Mashak | 24 Judy Johnston |
| 10 Matt Johnson | Ray Wiatt |
| 11 Molly Milner | Griffin Stakston |
| 12 Nancy Reader | 25 Amy Zimmer |
| 13 Tom Adams | Steve Otto |
| Kim Arenz | 26 Owen Kennedy |
| 14 Lynette Wilhelm | Jeff Connelly |
| Ben Wittenberg | Brenda Feehan |
| 15 Nick Arenz | 27 Debby Skogen |
| 16 Sophie Meyers | Ellen Soper |
| 17 Linda Mills | 29 Mike Gavin |
| Amie Koxlien | Bev Ryan |
| 18 Troy Lesky | 30 Carson Arenz |
| 20 Sharon Sugg | Lauren Arenz |
| | 31 Winnie Miller-Hubing |
| | Kim Butler |
| | Niccole Wuensch-Holter |

The North Church Rummage Sale was a terrific success once again!

Thank you to all who donated items and volunteered their time!
We were able to raise **\$2,030** but even more importantly, many of our neighbors were able to find items they were needing.

Sunday morning fellowship resumes July 3rd!

Coffee hour will be held after the 10:00 service
beginning Sunday, July 3rd.

Servers are needed to host after the 10:00 a.m. service each Sunday.
Please sign-up in the Narthex



JUNIOR GOLF FUN DAY

Thursday Mornings at Coulee Golf Bowl
Tee Times to begin at 7:00 a.m.
Pastor Scott Skogen

PURPOSE... To provide an opportunity for a Jr. Golfer to play 9 holes of golf with other kids at a shorter course length as to encourage our children to learn and enjoy the game of golf.

Green fees will be reduced to **\$5.00** for 9 holes to encourage more participation

The Thursday Golf Days will be June 23rd, June 30th, July 7th, July 14th, July 21st, July 28th, and August 4th

Speed of play will be closely monitored, and the 7 & 3 rule will be in effect

Please call the Coulee at (608)781-1111 to sign-up for a tee time or simply show up and we will pair you with other golfers.

Please join us as we begin on Thursday, June 23rd!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Coffee hour resumes after 10 a.m. service	4 Office Closed- Happy 4th!	5	6	7	8	9 Fellowship Outing Sunset Gardens Wood-fired Pizza
10 Outdoor Service 10:00	11 Youth Golf Camp- Coulee Golf Bowl	12 Youth Golf Camp- Coulee Golf Bowl	13	14 Women's Fellowship Outing 4 Sisters/ La Crosse Queen Tour	15	16
17	18 Mobile Meals-----	19-----	20-----	21-----	22-----	23-----
24 -----	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Outdoor Service 10:00						