

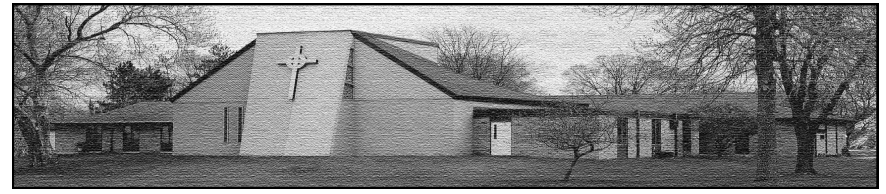
NORTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1327 North Salem Road
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NORTH STAR NEWS is a non-profit publication containing information and concerns of members and friends of North Presbyterian Church of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

Sunday Worship: 8:00am & 10:00am
Virtually - Sunday at 8am on our Facebook Page or Website
Sunday School: 9am

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NORTH STAR NEWS February, 2025

Pastor Scott's Scripts

A few weeks ago, I was honored to officiate the funeral for Glenice Oines. Glenice grew up in Arcadia. She went to school with my mom. A few weeks before she passed away, I shared communion with her and we both shared memories of my mom. Since my mom passed away in 2018, I treasure when others bring up her name and share special things about her.

Khalil Gibran once said, "Those we have held in our arms for a while, we hold in our hearts forever."

On Sunday, February 16th, North Church will share a remembrance service to remember our loved ones who we "hold in our hearts forever". It is a day of remembrance, a day of honor, a day where grief is welcome and openly expressed. It is a day where we as a church wrap our arms around those who are grieving and cry with you while celebrating your memories.

If you lost a loved one in 2024, please join us for our service of remembrance. Let us find comfort in one another as we honor our loved ones.

In my role as a pastor in the community, I run into people like Glenice frequently and when they mention my folk's names and their memories, it always makes me smile. The more I hear about them, the deeper my love for them grows.

Please join us on February 16th as we pause as a church to remember. In this month of Valentine's love, I can't think of a more loving thing to do than to share moments of loving remembrances with one another. I think Donna Lynn Hope speaks for most of us when she wrote, "I found that I missed "them" the more they were absent from my life and the more I missed them, the more I loved them!" Blessed are the mourning for they shall be comforted.

See ya in church,

Pastor Scott



Souper Bowl Sunday

February 9th

The North Church

Chili & Soup Cookoff

Sign-up in the Narthex to bring your favorite chili or soup for us all to try. The more we have, the more fun for our tastebuds!

And don't worry, if you are not a chili/soup maker, we'd love to have you sign-up to bring a dessert, crackers, or cornbread if you'd like. Or simply join us for the wonderful fellowship and to try them all!

We will "vote" for our favorite(s) by putting money into corresponding donation jars.

Money raised supports our own Little Food Pantry and other organizations that address food insecurity in our neighborhood.

Thank you for your support!

FEBRUARY donation/offering opportunity: "One Great Hour of Sharing"

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing — Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People — all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world.

Remembrance Sunday

On Sunday, February 16th during the 10:00 a.m. worship service, we will gather as a church to honor and to lovingly remember our brothers and sisters who have passed on to eternal glory in 2024.

There will be songs of reflection and hope, the sermon that day will focus on comfort and remembrance. We will also share a special time of remembrance where we present a rose to a family member in memory of your loved one.

Please contact the church office if you would like your loved one to be included in the remembrance. Also, please let us know if you will be worshipping with us that day so we can present you with a remembrance rose.

MOBILE MEALS

Monday, February 17— Sunday, February 23

PICK UP WHERE

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

PICK-UP TIME

10:30 AM



SIGN-UP SHEET IN NARTHEX

Or email or call the church office. 608-781-5690 or office@npclax.org

If you have any questions on the process or would like to be paired with someone who has delivered before to learn the process, please contact Karla at the Church office for more information.

Because Pastor Scott enjoyed it so much...we will be having

Munchies in March

On Sunday, March 2nd following the 10:00 service.



Please bring your favorite appetizers and finger foods as we enjoy each other's company in the Fellowship Hall.

Ash Wednesday

March 5th
6:30 p.m.
(No Dinner)



2025 Lent Series

Wednesday Lenten Season Worship
6:30 p.m.



A simple dinner will be served, offering a time of fellowship, prior to services at 5:45 p.m. (except Ash Wednesday)

The main dish will be provided unless otherwise announced.
Please bring a dish to pass.

April 17th- Maundy Thursday- 6:30 p.m. service

April 18th- Good Friday- 9:45 a.m. @ Onalaska Care Center

6:30 p.m. service @ NPC

Easter Sunday: Sunrise Service @ Dash Park 6:30 a.m.

8:00 a.m. Worship

9:00 a.m. Breakfast

9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

10:00 a.m. Worship



HAPPY BIRTHDAY February, 2025



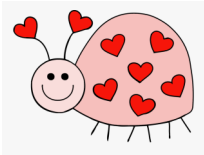
1	Megan Ostrem	9	Ken Kintzel
2	Erin Banasik		Kim Gavin
	Mary Snider	13	Kathy Runice
3	Mary Wruck	17	Heather Molling
4	Pastor Scott Skogen	21	Peggy Opland
	Jon Schuster		Avery Werner
	Scott Turnbull		Margie Otto
5	Elizabeth Burelbach	23	Jean Kintzel
	Dick Wardwell		Zach Hauser
6	Tim Wells	25	Jill Ender
7	Paul Ernst		Ken Cvikota
	John Burelbach	26	Neil Molling
	Terry Thomas	27	Megan Redenbaugh
8	Nancy Armstrong		
	Laura Lee-Fugina		

We are **ALWAYS** accepting donations for our little food pantry. These items seem to move out quickly and can be put out during the winter:

- Ready to Serve Meals (Hormel Completes)
- Individual snacks like granola bars, fruit snacks, and Poptarts
- Microwave Mac & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly (in plastic container)
- Cereal (small boxes are great)
- Ramen or Dry Soup such as Lipton Noodle
- Muffin or Pancake Mix (just add water)
- Crackers/Popcorn/Nuts
- Powdered Milk
- Tortillas
- Instant Rice & Pasta
- Instant Potatoes (bags or small boxes)



**** Keep in mind our neighbors using the pantry often don't have additional ingredients to prepare items like Mac & Cheese that require butter and milk so instant options that just need water to prepare or come complete are best.**



FEBRUARY 2025



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 9 After 10:00 Service	10	11	12	13	14	15	
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