# 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 (Indoors) and 10:00 AM (Drive -In) Virtually - Sunday at 8am on our Facebook Page or Website

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**NORTH STAR NEWS** 



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#### THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART!!

#### **Pastor Scott's Scripts:**

May is an exciting and active month for the church and the community.

In May we pause on the second Sunday to honor the calling of motherhood. As you have heard often from the pulpit, I was blessed with a loving mother who generously did all she could to provide a loving environment and a nurturing environment for me to develop and grow. On Mother's Day, let us pause to give thanks for those special people in our lives who provided motherly care.

May is also a month when many will be graduating from high school and college. Graduation is an exciting time. As our young people not only celebrate a very special achievement, they now also embark on a new and exciting, somewhat scary journey into their future. In that future I will encourage all of our young people to stay connected to their faith. To be loved by God and to be loved by others is a special, special gift.

And finally, on the last Sunday of the month, we pause to remember all our heroes who have sacrificed to make freedom a gift for us to enjoy and treasure. On Memorial Day, I would encourage all of you to attend a parade, attend a service at a cemetery, take a moment to reflect and honor those who have served our country and sacrificed so much so that we are free to express ourselves. Free to worship as we choose. Free to pursue our path to life, liberty, and happiness.

May is a great month to remember, to reflect, to congratulate, and to honor. We will try our best to do that as we worship together in May.

See ya in church, **Pastor Scott** 

#### North Presbyterian Church Little Free Food Pantry

We'll be starting a "Foods of the Month" list in each edition of our newsletter. This is simply a list of items that may be low in quantities on our reserve shelves. Please know that any items are always welcome (and we know that it's often great to get things when you see a good sale!)

This month's items are: SpaghettiOs, Ravioli, any "ready-to-eat" meals, and Vienna Sausages

Thank you for your continued support of our neighbors through this ministry!

\*\*\* If you've eaten out and receive packets containing condiments and/or plastic cutlery, we can utilize these items for the pantry!

Please note...We do not put any glass jars in the pantry

## **MOBILE MEALS**

Mobile Meals Volunteers Needed!



Monday, May 26th-Sunday, June 1st

#### **PICK UP WHERE**

New pick-up location: Next to the main hospital building between Walgreens and the hospital. If you turn west on Mississippi Street from West Avenue, there is a small drive-up lane.

### **PICK-UP TIME**

10:30 a.m.

Please Call or email the Church Office to sign up (608)781-5690 or office@npclax.org

(If you'd like to try this ministry opportunity, we can arrange for you to ride along with one of our experienced drivers)

## ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE

Thursday, June 12th 3:00-7:00 p.m. & Friday, June 13th 7:00-11:00 a.m.



#### **DONATIONS NEEDED!!**

Donations can be dropped off at the church between 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. M-TH. Please call the church office for alternative times or if you need assistance dropping items off.

#### We DO NOT ACCEPT

Televisions/Computers, Exercise Equipment, Large Furniture, or Adult Clothing

We WILL ACCEPT......Children's Clothing

We will need help setting up, working the event, and cleaning up. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex.

#### **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everyone for making the Lent and Easter season so special! We enjoyed Lenten meals together before worship that opened our "eyes" to the stories of the season. People purchased beautiful flowers in memory and honor of loved ones that enhanced our worship space and created a triumphant entry. We attended services proclaiming "He has Risen! He has Risen Indeed!". We enjoyed an Easter breakfast together. The kids had an unbelievable amount of eggs to collect in our backyard.

It was another inspirational journey from the cross to the empty tomb.





#### North Presbyterian Church would like to congratulate our 2025 High School Graduates!!



We will celebrate our graduates on Sunday, May 25th. Please let us know if you can attend!



As the weather warms and the grass greens, we look forward to summer worship on the back lawn!

A schedule of outdoor worship will be announced and posted in our June newsletter.

Pack the lawn chairs and get the blankets ready to join us for meaningful worship out in God's creation.

We do have chairs available for those not bringing their own.

If weather doesn't cooperate, we'll simply move inside.

See you out there soon!



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May, 2025

- 1 Georgia Banasik Collin Boecker
- 2 Nancy Ernst
- 5 Dennis Aukes Nancy Dotz
- 7 Violet Boecker
- 8 Peter Kennedy
- 9 Wylla Poellinger Noah Jurgensen Oliver Zimmer Diane Dingman
- 11 Rosie Gilman Jolyssa Pederson Jim Rasmusson
- 12 Ben Skogen Jennifer Hanabarger
- 13 Tami Hutson
- 14 Patty Peppers

17 Katy Dill

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- 18 Glenn Peterson
- 19 Allie Hauser Daniel Forsythe Gile McWain Tom Larson
- 20 Kevin Colburn
- 22 Andrew Ernst
- 25 Jim Hulke
- 27 Madilyn Molling Jerry Runice Tom Weis
- 29 Kathy Scott Wanda Bina Ed Strahs
- 31 Mark Fugina



# Mmm, Mmm May!

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Join us on Sunday, May 18th following the 10:00 service for tasty bites of deliciousness and fantastic fellowship!

Bring your favorite dessert for all to sample. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex.





# **2025 MAY**



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	Knit/Crochet Group Fellowship Hall 10:00-Noon	8	9	10
Mother's Mother's Mother's Day  Kids Sing @ 10:00  Last Day of Sunday  School	12	13	14 Session Meeting	15	16	17
18 New Member Class Mmm, Mmm May! Dessert Tasting & Fellowship 11:00 a.m.	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26  *****  MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBERAND HONOR  OFFICE CLOSED	27	28	29	30	31
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