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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
10:00 AM
Virtually - Sunday at 8am on our Facebook Page or Website

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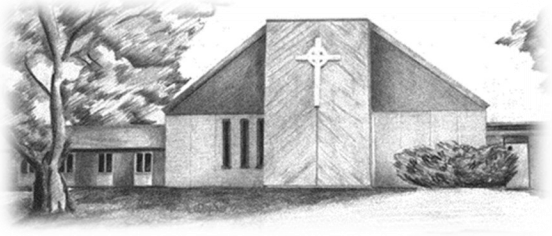

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North Presbyterian Church of La Crosse, WI.
"Sharing God's love since 1870"

Pastor Scott's Scripts:

Autumn is my favorite time of the year. I love the fall colors and the crisp, cooler air. I enjoy Friday night lights, an October outdoor wedding, and seeing children back at school. My spirit soars during the autumn fall season.

Steven Koski makes a great point when he writes, "There is so much in the world around us that seems to be "falling", decaying, even dying. It is easy to succumb to despair and pessimism. Autumn reminds us that all of the "falling" that is going on around us is full of promise- even if we can't see it."

Autumn reminds us that beneath the surface, seeds are being planted, leaves are being composted and new life is being prepared. Could it be that possibly something richer is being planted in the soil of souls?

Barbara Brown Taylor writes that "new life starts in the dark. Whether it is a seed in the ground, a baby in the womb, or Jesus in the tomb." New life starts in the dark and it grows into the light.

So when our lives seem dark, when things feel so divided, may our hopes be comforted in the promise that new life and growth always begin in the dark.

There is a lot of happiness in the fall…on the surface and below. And let us remember that new life always starts in the dark.

See you in church as we point everyone to the light!
Pastor Scott

FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

On August 8th, North Church hosted our
3rd annual Mission Golf Tournament.

Because of the support of many,
our Mission Golf Tournament raised
Over $35,000. WOW!!!

Proceeds from the golf tournament will be split between two veteran focused "missions" this year: The Highground Veteran's Memorial Park and The Darkhorse Lodge. Both of these organizations do amazing work honoring and supporting veterans and these donations will help them continue their meaningful work.

MOBILE MEALS

Mobile Meals Volunteers Needed!

Monday, September 28th - Sunday, October 4th

PICK UP WHERE

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– We are Route #2
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)

Let's get ready to fest and get together for

LUNCH BUNCH!

Pastor Scott will be grilling up some brats.
Tuesday, September 22nd @ Noon
in the Fellowship Hall

Feel Free to bring a dish to share if you'd like!

Midweek for Middle Schoolers

Happens the first Wednesday of each month from 5:30-6:30 p.m.
(Dinner included)
First meeting is October 7th.

Join Pastor Scott & Karla for this time designed especially for you!

NPC Little Food Pantry
September Donation Suggestions:

***of course all donations are welcome, these items are those we are low on at this time.

* Crackers, Poptarts, Granola/Cereal Bars, Microwave Popcorn

Thank you very much for your contributions to this ministry! Our pantry is well utilized and assists people every day.

Rally Day

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th, 2026
9:00 A.M.– Fun on the back lawn

We can't wait to see you again!

We're looking forward to starting a new year with our youth as we learn and grow in our faith together!

This year's theme is:

"Ordinary People in God's Extraordinary Plan"

We will learn about many of the different people throughout the Bible.

Music will be back in full swing, too! We will once again be singing on the 3rd Sunday of each month at the 10:00 service beginning in October. You'll also see our kids as greeters and ushers on this Sunday each month

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

2 Carl Lesky, Jr
7 Jennifer Tiedeman
8 Donna Riley
10 Bernadette Taylor
11 Reegan Jensen- Shafer
Nancy McMullin
15 Brooke Bahr
17 Ron Seitz
19 Marabeth Kibler
Ashlie Cahoon
21 Russel Opland
23 Janet Kennedy
Jennifer Burelbach
24 Juanita Haag
26 Rob Malmo
27 Sawyer Stakston
Lyn Palm
Peggy Heinz
29 Kyle Feehan
Olivia Bahr

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Last Outdoor Worship Service of 2026 will be Sunday, September 13th @ 10:00 a.m.

Join us on the beautiful back lawn one more time as we enjoy God's creation and each other!

This service will also include a "Blessing of the Pets" so bring your furry, four-legged, or special family member along!

If your pet is unable to come with you, bringing a photo is an option as well.

*** Please have all pets on a leash or in a carrier. Thank you!**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Knit/Crochet Group Fellowship Hall 10:00-Noon	3	4	5
6	7 Office Closed	8	9 Session Meeting	10	11	12
13 Rally Sunday & Blessing of the Pets	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Noon	23	24	25	26
27	28 Mobile Meals	29 Mobile Meals	30 Mobile Meals	1 Mobile Meals	2 Mobile Meals	3 Mobile Meals