THE MESSENGER

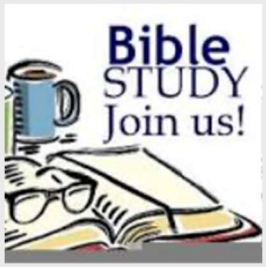
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Pastor Sarah's at "Dusk"
ZOOM BOOK CLUB LIST
2026
Thursday, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

11/19 - The Director, Daniel Kehlmann

12/17 - Secret of Secrets, Dan Brown

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All are invited
to our monthly
Bible Study Wednesday,
November 4th
The Hatchery
Peterson, MN
10:00 am
We are reading Jeremiah - 20-25.



Right to left: Hank Dessner, Leah Dessner (Hank's mother), Pastor Sarah, Raelyn Borst, Nichole Hall, Claire Gorder, Gemma Charlebois, and Gemma's mother, Emily, taking the picture.

On October 24, our United Lutheran Parish Confirmation Youth traveled east across the Mississippi River to La Crosse, Wisconsin, for a wonderful day of learning, fellowship, and experiencing God's presence in some beautiful places.

Our first stop was Mary of the Angels Chapel at 701 Franciscan Way. During our guided tour, we heard the story of St. Francis of Assisi and learned how a small group of Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration and priests brought the proclamation of the Gospel to the growing community of La Crosse in the mid-1800s. We also learned how artists from Germany, Italy, the United States, and elsewhere shared their gifts in creating a chapel that tells the story of Jesus, a story of faith, beauty, and God's love for all people.

After our tour, we enjoyed lunch together and then traveled north to a conservation area along the Upper Mississippi River. There, we walked off a few of those lunch calories while marveling at the beauty and diversity of God's creation!

It seemed a wonderfully Franciscan way to end our day: learning, sharing fellowship, and giving thanks for the beauty of God's creation all around us.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AND THEIR FAMILIES:

That we at United Lutheran Parish may be open to God's will, strength and healing for…

Health: Laura Eide, Emily Charlebois, Karolyn Boyum, Sandy Thompson, Shirley Helgemoe, Roger Hegland, Kevin Eide, Virgil Hogie, Trudy Dahle Eggler, Val Daam (Judy Graham's sister), Dean Feine, Katie Minter (Phil Minter's wife), Allan Aarsvold, Bob Holien, Michael Graham…

- On Going Health Concerns: Tom Haugstad, Jess Arnold, Dean McConochie (lives in Rochester),…
- Homebound: Arlene Holtegaard, Irene Hatlevig…
- Assisted Living and Care Centers: Arlene Jensen, Sandy Thompson, Virgil Hogie, Dennis Gravos…
- Our Military: Tom Moen, Jon Wiley (Bev Klinski grandson-in-law), Dustin Willcox (grandson of Bob & Ardis Willcox), Dakota Winkelman (nephew of Tom & Deb Haugstad) and their families.



Front: Madeline Jensen, Eileen Koljord. Back left to right: Le Ann Olson, Diane Drinkall, Lynne Clarke, and Lisa Koljord. not pictured - Anita Bue

During a recent visit, the North Prairie Lutheran Women of the ELCA were hard at work quilting. As they tied knots, they shared stories of their daily lives, the church's history, and the wider community. Their conversation reflected deep relationships built through shared dreams, struggles, laughter, and forgiveness. These quilts are headed to Lutheran World Relief to provide warmth, shelter, and comfort to those facing hardships. Ultimately, they offer a tangible reminder of hope and care to people who need it most.



Arendahl Bazaar



Sports Quilt



Children's Quilt



Polymer Barn Set



Adult Art Basket



Karaoke Machine



Blackstone in a Bag



Children's Art Bundle



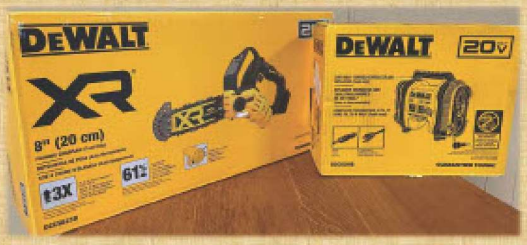
Toddler Christian Activity Bundle



Harvest Meal Kit



Baby Shower Basket



DeWalt Pruning Chainsaw and Inflator

Saturday, November 7, 2026

5 P.M. Meal, Bake Sale & Used-a-Bit Sale

6:15 P.M. Live Auction Begins

36689 State HWY 30 Peterson, MN 55962

Homemade Caramels, Fudge and other Norwegian Treats

Arendahl Women of the ELCA

The Arendahl Women of the ELCA meeting and Bible study will be on Tuesday, November 17 at 9:00 at El Barco Mexican Restaurant in Rushford.



The Bible study for November is found on page 46 of the Gather magazine: "Proclaiming resurrection in hope." This is session three of the "Bold faith on an unexpected journey" series by the Rev. Tiffany C. Chaney. This three-part Bible study takes us on a journey with Hagar, Ruth and Mary Magdalene, women whose bold faith transformed their unexpected stories. Their encounters with God remind us that we, too, are seen, sustained and sent to carry good news into the world!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

PLEASE NOTE:

The treasurer's books for

Arendahl Lutheran Church and Arendahl Women of the ELCA close on November 30th.



North Prairie WELCA Announcements for NOVEMBER, 2026

Sunday, November 1st- 10:30 am – Worship with Thankoffering at North Prairie

Wednesday, November 11th – 9:00 am WELCA Quilting; potluck



STEWARDSHIP GOALS for 2026:
Mission Quilts (locally and LWR) and School Kits (LWR).
Quilting Days will be during the months of July – November.

PARAMENTS for Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec: Lynne Clarke, Eileen Koljord

BULLETIN BOARD for Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec: Circle # 3 - Ruth

Other Upcoming events for WELCA include:
TBD – Yearbook planning
Thursday, Dec 10th – Pre-Order Bake Sale, 2 – 4 pm pick-up
Friday, Dec 11th – Holiday Bake Sale at Sterling Drug, Rushford, 9 am – 2 pm
Sunday, Dec 13th – WELCA Treasurer's Book close
To Be Determined –Executive Bd meeting, Annual Meeting including allocation of money raised, Installation of Officers and Historian report

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BOOKS CLOSE – DECEMBER 13th ……. If you haven't been able to participate in WELCA during the year, please consider giving a donation in support of our "Women's Ministry". Donations can be sent to North Prairie Lutheran Church, or given to Gayle Burdick, WELCA Treasurer or Diane Drinkall, WELCA President

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WELCA is making plans for our **36th Annual Christmas Holiday Bake Sales** again this December.



Watch for more information (either via newsletter or email), if you have questions or comments, contact President Diane.

Please add these dates to your calendar. Your participation makes for a great opportunity to volunteer and support the work of our Women of the ELCA at North Prairie.

Looking forward to working with YOU during 2026. To streamline communications for WELCA with e-mail, text, and/or calls and to cut costs for postage and paper, please forward your e-mail address and phone #s to WELCA President Diane Drinkall: 507.459.1776 or dedrinkall@hotmail.com

"Pre-Order"
CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

NORTH PRAIRIE WELCA will be taking orders for your holiday entertaining and enjoyment. We are taking orders for:
Rommegrot, Sweet Soup,
Krumkaka, Rosettes and Sandbakkelsers

ORDERS CAN BE PLACED BY calling: 507.875.2339
by Friday, December 4th, 2026

Pre-orders will be available for
PICKUP on Thursday, December 10th from 2:00-4:00 pm
at North Prairie Lutheran Church, 35957 State Hwy 30, Lanesboro, MN.

ULP members are also welcome to come Thursday and purchase items. Pre-orders for Norwegian items preferred.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Let's fill our churches with poinsettias again this year. Kari Hanson will pick up poinsettias for our church sanctuaries. Please make checks payable to Kari Hanson. Cost of each plant will be **$15.00**.

Please place your order by signing up in the rear of the church at North Prairie. Also specify if your flower is in someone's honor or memory.
First Sunday in Advent is November 29th.

Orders are due by **Sunday, November 22nd.**

TO: NORTH PRAIRIE WOMEN……

36th Annual Christmas Bake Sale



NORTH PRAIRIE WELCA will be holding a "Christmas Holiday" bake sale on Friday, December 11th in the lobby of Sterling Drug, Rushford from 9 am – 2 pm (or gone).



We are looking for **YOUR** favorite holiday bakings, including decorated cookies, breads, candies, and Norwegian pastries –Spritz, Krumkaka, Sandbakkelsers, Rosettes, Lefse, etc.

If you have questions, feel free to call Diane at 875-2339.

PLEASE BRING your unwrapped items to the church on **Thursday, December 10th** from 1-4 pm OR call to make other arrangements.



Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 1st . **Don't forget** to turn your clocks back 1 hour!



CANCELLATION OR POSTPONEMENT of Worship services, meetings or events will be posted on KTTC TV as "United Lutheran Parish" and also on Facebook pages:
Grace Lutheran Church or
North Prairie Lutheran Church.



GRACE WELCA - NOVEMBER 2026

QUILTING

Quilters will be taking the months of November and December off

MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, 19th 2:00PM

Items to be covered include Welca's charitable donations for the year, election of 2027 Welca officers, and our annual Thankoffering. Our devotions and study will come from Ephesians 5: 15-20. "Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly but understand what the Lord wants you to." Servers are Susie and Val



UPCOMING - NEXT MONTH

Sunday, December 6th 2:00PM

Grace Welca Christmas Party: Potluck, All attendees please bring something tasty (either savory or sweet) to share. Also, if you'd like to participate in the gift exchange please bring a gift to exchange (valued at $10 or less).

Christmas in Peterson: Sat. Dec.12th 10 am to 3 pm A lunch of Hot Turkey sandwiches and bars and Christmas baking will be available. Crafts will be for sale.

WELCA is our church organization for all women members.
Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in WELCA activities!

Women of the ELCA



Thankofferings support the ongoing ministries of the church wide expression of Women of the ELCA. Your faithful generosity makes all the work of Women of the ELCA possible. Thank you.

Arendahl and North Prairie
'Women of the ELCA'
will have their
"Thankoffering Sunday"
on November 1st.

Grace
'Women of the ELCA'
will have their
"Thankoffering Sunday"
on November 8th.

Thankofferings: our history

Beginning in the late 19th century, Lutheran women were given small Thankoffering boxes to place in a special location in their homes as a visible reminder of blessings received. Women would add coins to those boxes almost daily as particular blessings were noted. From their use came the idea of an annual church service to celebrate their collection, and so the women of the congregation would come together for a Thankoffering service.

The concept of Thankoffering celebrations dates back more than 100 years and beyond Lutherans. The Episcopal Church Women held their first recorded Thankoffering service in 1889, and the World Thank Offering service of the United Methodist Women has been a tradition for over 100 years. In the Lutheran tradition, the General Synod's Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society created their first Thankoffering service in 1889 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the organization. At that first Thankoffering, $6,100 was collected. Today, Women of the ELCA collects more than $1 million in Thankofferings annually for the ministries and mission of our women's organization.



Thankofferings: continuing the tradition **Thankofferings show gratitude for God's blessings and give us an important and tangible way to express that gratitude**. It is a tradition grounded in our celebration of community, of meeting together to joyfully give thanks for what God has given us.

Thankofferings have always been, and still are, our opportunity to say thank you to God in both significant and ordinary moments.

ALL (young and not so young, male and female) are invited to show gratitude for what God has blessed us with.

Parish NEWS Nurse

As one of the parish co-nurses I am interested in starting a monthly ULP Senior Social time at church in monthly rotation as appropriate.

We would meet in the afternoon to socialize, play games or possibly even do crafts. I would like some feedback on what days would work the best for everyone and also time. If possible would like to hold one sometime in November.



On her last vacation, Pastor Sarah talked with a public health nurse who had Narcan spray available. She was able to get 4 boxes and has one at each church Talk to Pastor Sarah or myself if you have any questions.

If you know of a family member or friend that would benefit having Narcan spray available in time of need, please reach out the Pastor Sarah or myself.

Parish co-nurse: LeAnn Olson

MAYO CLINIC

Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in collaboration with Age Friendly Fillmore County Presents:

Lanesboro Brain Health Workshop

The Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center will be hosting a free brain health and wellbeing workshop on Wednesday, November 18th taking place at the Son's of Norway, 200 Parkway Ave S, Lanesboro, MN 55949.

Date
Wednesday, November 18

Time
12:00pm - 4:15pm

Location
Son's of Norway,
200 Parkway Ave S, Lanesboro MN,

Session 1: Why Community Matters
Featuring: Liz Boots, PhD, LP

Where we live can impact our brain and cognitive health - both for worse and for better. This talk will discuss both the risk factors for developing dementia that are particularly relevant to those residing in rural communities as well as the real strengths and resilience factors that come from living rurally.

Session 2: The Empowered Path
Featuring: Angela Lunde, MA

Through the mentorship and guidance of those living with dementia and their care partners, Angela has witnessed where the 'power' in empowerment comes from. Angela invites the audience to reframe hope as she uncovers what she has learned are essential ingredients to a life of wellbeing and resilience in our most difficult times.

Session 3: Deeper Dive into Dementia: Finding Hope Alongside a Diagnosis
Featuring: Stu McCarter, MD

Review what is dementia, causes of dementia, how we diagnose it, manage it and live a quality life with it.

To register, please contact Tasha Loftin at Loftin.Tasha@mayo.edu or call (507) 422-6058 or Marge Fuller at 507-696-4677.



UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH
Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

ARENDAHL

Birthdays

07-Pastor Sarah
24-Olav Pauly
27-Kevin Agrimson

Anniversaries

29-Larry & Pastor Sarah Brown

GRACE

Birthdays

03-Kristi Agrimson
05-Justin Brown
07-Pastor Sarah
10-Lucy Benson
15-Mike Graham
15-Jessica Mattson
16-Dillen Brink
19-Duane Miner
20-Noelle Graham
22-Jeff Lee
23-Alan Black
25-Dan Book
25-Stefanie Hegland
25-Brian Thompson
28-Brad Gorder
29-Nancy Atkinson

Anniversaries

05-Milton & Kathy Hallum
29-Larry & Pastor Sarah Brown

NORTH PRAIRIE

Birthdays

01-Tiana Olson
04-Allen Haugen
05-Spencer Lang
07-Pastor Sarah
07-Kayla Ruhoff
07-Ian Horihan
10-Dalton Eide
10-Aric Honsey
12-Phillip Holtegaard
14-Amanda Schott
19-Tristan Honsey
20-Charles Johnson
21-Blake Bahl
22-Creighton Horihan
23-Jessica Bell
24-Michael Hermanson
25-Chasten Olloff
26-Evelyn Holtegaard

Anniversaries

01-Justin & Nicole Greenwell
02-Rick & Kelly Brown
12-Jeremy & Crystal Vrieze
12-Justin & Pamela Brown
29-Larry & Pastor Sarah Brown

PILOT MOUND

Birthdays

06-Annie McCabe
07-Pastor Sarah
07-Danny Dahl
07-Abrianna Jones
07-Aubrey Thompson
08-Brianna Dahl
08-Aiden Jonsgaard
09-Scott Horsman
13-Mesa O'Byrne
22-Sonia McCabe
24-Dominic Davidson
25-Hunter Nelson

Anniversaries

18-Matt & Alicia Hinckley
20-Brett & Beth Horsman
29-Larry & Pastor Sarah Brown

The Birthday/Anniversary lists are not complete.

Please help us keep accurate lists of these special days for our members

November 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 DST Ends ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 9:00 am Worship at Pilot Mound 10:00 am PM SS 10:30 am Worship and SS at NP, ThankOffering	**2**	**3** Election Day	**4** 10:00 -11:00 am ULP Bible Study – The Hatchery, Peterson 6:30-7:30 pm Zoom ULP Confirmation Class	**5**	**6**	**7** 5:00 pm Arendahl Bazaar - Meal, Bake Sale & Used-a-Bit Sale 6:15 pm Live Auction
8 9:00 am Worship and SS at Grace, WELCA Thankoffering Service 10:30 am Worship at Arendahl 11.30 am ULP Council Meeting	**9** 6:00 pm NP Foundation meeting	**10**	**11** Veterans Day 9:00 am NP Quilting, potluck 6:30-7:30 pm Zoom ULP Confirmation Class	**12**	**13**	**14**
15 9:00 am Worship at Pilot Mound 10:00 am PM SS 10:30 am Worship and SS at North Prairie	**16**	**17** 9:00 am Arendahl WELCA Bible Study/Meeting at El Barco's, Rushford	**18** Newsletter Deadline 6:30-7:30 pm Zoom ULP Confirmation Class	**19** 2:00 pm Grace WELCA Monthly meeting, Election of Officers 7:00 – 8:00 pm Pastor Sarah's "At Dusk" Zoom Book Club –The Director, Daniel Kehlmann	**20**	**21**
22 9:00 am Worship and SS at Grace 10:30 am Worship at Arendahl	**23**	**24**	**25** 6:30-7:30 pm Zoom ULP Confirmation Class	**26** Thanksgiving Day	**27**	**28**
29 1st SUNDAY ADVENT 9:00 am Worship at Pilot Mound 10:00 am PM SS 10:30 am Worship and SS at NP	**30**		**ALL WORSHIP CANCELLATIONS will be posted on KTTC TV as "United Lutheran Parish" and also on Facebook pages Contact officers for meeting updates Calendar events will be reviewed regularly**			

THE MESSENGER NEWSLETTER

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