

THE MESSENGER

Arendahl | Grace | North Prairie | Pilot Mound

Pastor Sarah's at "Dusk" ZOOM BOOK CLUB LIST

Thursday, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Please email me if you are interested at sarahjwalkerbrown@gmail.com and I will email you the ZOOM link.

01/23 -**JAMES**, Percival Everett

02/27 - **Remarkably Bright Creatures**, Shelby Van Pelt

03/27 - **The Dictionary of Lost Words**, Pip Williams

04/24 - **THE RETURN**, Hisham Matar

05/22 - **The LOVE OF MY LIFE**, Rosie Walsh

06/26 -**AWE**, Dacher Keltner

07/24 - **BEAR**, Julia Phillip

08/28 - **THE SAFEKEEP**, Yael Van Der Wouden

09/25 - **MISS MORGAN'S BOOK BRIGADE**, Janet Skeslien Charles

Greetings to all in the New Year!

Two cousins, Madison Erickson (front) and Ruth Weatherly (back), of Pilot Mound Lutheran Church were all smiles on November 3rd as they received their Bible and First Communion.

Their enthusiasm for reading the wonderful stories of God's love since the very beginning of creation fills my heart with joy, and with joy their is hope.



We now leave another year with all of its' memories, "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly". As we enter a whole new year, what will this new year present to us? Are we filled with trepidation, wonder, or adventure? Do we choose to follow the star that brings light into the darkest crevices of life? Do we choose to be that light and all inclusive love of Christ in a broken world? The choices are always ours to make.

When you look at the picture above one cannot but smile. Smiles are contagious, together let us share the good news of Jesus' lavish love for all of God's people in 2025! God's blessings be with you and your family. Happy New Year!

*In Christ's love,
Pastor Sarah*

10/23 - **Sharks in the Time of Saviors**, Kawai Strong Washburn

11/27 - **The Librarianist**, Patrick deWitt

12/18 - **Next Year in Havana**, Chanel Cleeton

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:** *Dean McConochie (lives in California), Nancey Gathje, Emily Charlebois, Janine Lange, Jesse Arnold, Michelle Pelyz, Tom McCabe, Abby, Jana, and Shawn Draper (JoAnne Agrimson's family members), Ted Olson, Karolyn Boyum, Barbie Finstad (Kathy Lee's friend), Dodie House, Ardella Miner (Jelon Bogie's sister), Laura Eide (wife of Gary Eide),...*
- **On Going Health Concerns:** *Tom Haugstad.*
- **Homebound:** *Arlene Holtegaard, Luella Brown...*
- **Assisted Living and Care Centers:** *Barb Holien, Marlow Boyum, Harold and Arlene Jensen, Sandy Thompson...*
- **Our Military:** *Tom Moen, Dustin Willcox (grandson of Bob & Ardis Willcox), Dakota Winkelman (nephew of Tom & Deb Haugstad) and their families.*

Christmas at Arendahl Lutheran Church with song, joy, and love!



Grace Lutheran Church Sunday School Christmas Program



COME TO
the
WELL GATHERING
OF FRIENDS

As the Samaritan woman went to Jacob's well to draw water and Jesus said, "Give me a drink." John 4-1 The two discuss thirst (physical and spiritual), relationships, and religion.

You are invited to Norselands, Rushford, MN once a month as we gather to connect our personal story with God's story through Scripture. Come to be surprised, to laugh, and be spiritually fed. Invite a friend!

January 20th
10:00 AM- 11:00 AM

February 17th
10:00 AM -11:00AM

See you there!



North Prairie Lutheran Church Sunday School Christmas Program



Dennis Berland was received into the arm of God's mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of saints in light.

Dennis "Dennie" Berland
December 31, 1950 - November 24,
2024 Memorial Service November 29th,
2024 at North Prairie Lutheran Church



Bertram Boyum was received into the arm of God's mercy, into the blessed rest of everlasting peace, and into the glorious company of saints in light.

Bertram Boyum
September 20, 1918 - December 8, 2024
Funeral Service December 17th, 2024
at Highland Prairie Lutheran Church

UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH Congregations 2025 Annual Congregational Meetings

following worship services:

Arendahl – Sunday, January 5

Grace -- Sunday, January 19

Pilot Mound – Sunday, January 26

North Prairie – Sunday, January 26



Please have your annual reports
submitted to the secretaries
as soon as possible!



CANCELLATION OR POSTPONEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship services, meetings or events will be posted on KTTC TV as “United Lutheran Parish”

Can also be found on North Prairie Lutheran Church and Grace Lutheran Church
Facebook pages

North Prairie WELCA Announcements for JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2025

***Sunday, January 26th** - Congregational Annual Meeting following worship.

Refreshments will be available.

STEWARDSHIP GOALS for 2025

Mission Quilts (locally and LWR)

PARAMENTS for Jan-Apr: Doreen Goodman, Sue Moen

BULLETIN BOARD for Jan-Apr: Circle # 1



The 2025 Program yearbooks will be available soon.

Upcoming events for WELCA include:

During the 2025 year we have scheduled several WELCA meetings throughout the year, quilting days from July thru November, and fundraising events - annual meatball dinner in April and Christmas Holiday Bake Sale in December.

Sunday, March 9th, 2025 - 9:30 am, WELCA meeting prior to worship; Priscilla Circle # 2 – devotions

Please add this 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.



Women of the Church

Looking forward to working with **YOU** during 2025. 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 - WELCA President Diane Drinkall: 507.459.1776 or dedrinkall@hotmail.com

ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO OUR COUPLES AT NORTH PRAIRIE

“HAPPY 55TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY” to **Wayne and Cathy Haug** on January 17th. “May your ‘Special day’ be a celebration of where you’ve been, where you are, and how you are, growing together in the Lord. Happy Anniversary”.



GRACE WELCA - JAN/FEB 2025

QUILTING

Wednesday, January 8 9:00AM

Wednesday, January 22 9:00AM

Wednesday, February 12 9:00AM

Wednesday, February 26 9:00AM

Everyone is welcome to join the quilting group!

NO MONTHLY MEETING

There are no Welca meetings scheduled for January or February.

Our next Welca meeting is March 20th at 2pm.

Our Bible study will be from Matthew 6: 5-13 "Be Yourself"

Officers need to put together the 2025 Welca booklet before then to be handed out to members. The 2025 officers will be installed at this meeting.

Susie Norby and Val Hasleiet will serve.

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



SUPPORT OUR LOCAL FOOD SHELVES

Children and families still need our support and donations. We have a cart located in the entryway of North Prairie church. Whatever you donate, whether it be just one item or several, we can make a difference in the lives of many.

Please join us in doing what we can to make sure families in need don't go to bed hungry. Items will be delivered at the end of each month to the local food shelf.

Cash Donations to local food shelves are encouraged at this time. Checks can be mailed to: SEMCAC Rushford Food Shelf 113 E Jessie St, PO Box 549 Rushford MN 55971 (OR a local food shelf where you live).
NP WELCA





UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH
Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

ARENDAHL

Birthdays

06-Tanner Morrison
08-Bertha Boyum
20-August Pauly
27-Steve Paulson

GRACE

Birthdays

04-Cambria Bauer
04-Cherie Hegland
04-Roger Stearns
07-Trevor Auman
08-Jeff Holien
08-Donna Johnson
09-Anita Olson
10-Tammy Hallum
12-David Brink
15-Kenai Holien
16-Mary Miner
21-Ronald Benson
21-Jackson Bergan
22-Sally Leach
22-Teresa Simon
27-Greg Dietel
30-Leslie Quella
31-Brooke Hallum

Anniversaries

NORTH PRAIRIE

Birthdays

01-David C. Johnson
03-Evan Bain
03-Cindy Highum
05-Sue Moen
07-David W. Johnson
09-Rick Brown
10-Kyla Ingram
11-Jeron Brown
11-Beth Vitse
16-Darin Hegland
16-Samantha Hermanson
17-Rita Siglin
20-Tara Hermanson
25-Randy Haug
26-Shelby Mosdal
27-Liam Russell
29-Indra Neldner
31-Betty Olson

Anniversaries

12-Gary & LeAnn Olson
17-Wayne & Cathy Haug

PILOT MOUND

Birthdays

02-Ellen Strande
09-Amber Kesler
10-Kim Burt
10-Tom Haugstad
13-Norine Minter
17-Ricky Horsman
24-Madyson Proper
26-Virginia Kesler
29-Danielle Kramer
30-Zack Lawstuen

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



UNITED LUTHERAN PARISH
Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

ARENDAHL

Birthdays

14-David Holger
16-JoAnne Agrimson
17-Isaac Roos

GRACE

Birthdays

04-Stephanie Kingsbury
08-Diane Mathison
14-Bill Grindland
17-Nicole Eidenschink
19-Betsy Blixt
20-Laurie Johnson
20-Jennifer Scheck
23-Mark Olson
26-Megan Holien
29-Lori Hallum

Anniversaries

2-Ronald & Lucy Benson
26-Lyle & Karen Thompson

NORTH PRAIRIE

Birthdays

02-Paisley Lorenz
04-Aaron Woxland
05-Crystal Bries
05-Carissa Bordelon
06-Taiya Brown
07-Lauren Olson
08-Tony Russell
09-Jelon Hogie
09-Amy Lawstuen
09-Caroline Mayer
10-Heidi Gerry
10-Nicole Hockert
12-Allison Brown
13-Quentin Johnson
15-Rebecca Lange
15-Ella Ann Gantverg
18-Annette Bradley
21-Ian Brown
23-Jayson Johnson
23-Tamara Monohan
25-Shelista Culbertson
26-Ken Connaughty
27-Aryana Himle
28-Irene Hatlevig
28-Ron Mayer

Anniversaries

25-Jared & Shelista Culbertson

PILOT MOUND

Birthdays

01-Nadine Merkel
07-Ethan Thompson
12-Reed Merkel
19-Kevin Horsman
26-Kelly Wrubel

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THE MESSENGER NEWSLETTER

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The word "January" is written in a playful, bubbly font. Each letter is filled with a different color: 'J' is blue, 'a' is purple, 'n' is yellow, 'u' is light blue, 'a' is purple, 'r' is yellow, and 'y' is blue. The letters have a white outline and a slight shadow effect.