

# Northwoods STaR Ministries Newsletter

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**Shawnda Hora**  
**Deb Strobl**

**Worship times below are for**  
**1st and 3rd Sundays:**

### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH—OGEMA

W4950 State Highway 86  
Ogema, WI 54459  
Worship Service: 9:00 AM

### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH—WESTBORO

N8909 Business Hwy. 13 PO Box 15  
Westboro, WI 54490-0214  
Worship Service: 10:30 AM

### FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH—PRENTICE

670 Main Street | Prentice, WI 54556  
email: [firstlutheranprentice@gmail.com](mailto:firstlutheranprentice@gmail.com)  
715-428-2575  
Office Hours: Wednesdays Noon—2 pm  
Other times by appointment. Use the  
handicap entrance.  
Worship Service: 10:30 AM

### ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH—BRANTWOOD

N5090 County Road D  
Brantwood, WI 54513  
Worship Service: 8:30 AM

**Visitors and new members are**  
**always welcome!**



**Evangelical Lutheran**  
**Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.

**MAY**  
**2026**

## From Northwoods STaR Ministries...

### COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICES

Please join our four congregations of Northwoods STaR Ministries—First Ogema, First Westboro, First Prentice and Zion Brantwood in worshipping together this month.

**The joint worship services will be held at First Ogema:**

**Sunday, May 10, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.**

(Coffee & Fellowship to follow the service.)

**Sunday, May 31, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.**

(Fellowship potluck meal will follow the service.)



**Our best wishes to the graduates of**  
**Northwoods STaR Ministries.**

**A special recognition will be held for**  
**the following graduates during**  
**worship at our NSM congregations**  
**on Sunday, May 17, 2026.**

**First Lutheran—Ogema | 9 am**

Blake Griebel

**First Lutheran—Prentice | 10:30 am**

Ashlyn Englund

Grady May

Taylor Slattery

**As you look to the future, may the goals you have set be**  
**accomplished and your lives fulfilled with God's Blessings.**




So we, being many, are one  
body in Christ, and  
individually members of one  
another. Romans 12:5

# Upcoming Events, Opportunities and Information...


## History of WORLD RELIGIONS

Join us for an extensive study of the World's Great Religions.



**Thursday, May 7, 2026 &  
Thursday, May 21, 2026  
6 pm  
First Lutheran Church -  
Prentice**

This will be a bi-weekly, ongoing class covering the major religions of the world. Open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend. Invite a friend!



**NORTHWOODS  
STAR MINISTRIES**  
"United in Christ, Sharing God's Love"

## Women of the ELCA



**Upcoming Meeting—PRENTICE**  
No Meeting in May  
**Upcoming Meeting—OGEMA**  
Sunday, May 17, 2026 following worship

## Offering Information...

Your generosity allows our churches to keep moving forward and fulfill the mission, vision, & call God has placed on them. We thank you for your support!

Offerings can be mailed to your church anytime:

**FLC-Prentice**, 670 Main Street, Prentice, WI 54556  
**FLC-Ogema**, W4950 State Hwy 86, Ogema, WI 54459  
**FLC-Westboro**, P.O. Box 15, Westboro, WI 54490  
**Zion LC**, c/o Karin Kivela, W2476 US Hwy 8, Brantwood, WI 54513




# May Birthdays & Anniversaries



3 Kevin Pokela  
4 Courtney Peterson  
5 Olivia Slattery  
10 Lois Berg  
Kris Gerstberger  
Lyla Voda  
13 Cathy Cummings  
Sharon Dering  
Kurt Mueller  
14 Lori Tlusty  
Deb Strobl  
17 Joyce Cummings  
Arya Enders


19 Alyson Esterholm  
20 Scott Raab  
21 Grady May  
23 Kari Rodman  
Candy Zutavern  
27 Bernie Kramer  
29 Jacky Peterson  
Mary Hora  
Ashley Gunderman







6 Noah Schantner  
9 Sofie Staroba  
10 Carli Frombach  
11 Olivia Slattery  
13 Logan Geiger

15 Ryan Bergman  
17 Beverly Hartmann  
18 Garrett May  
Grady May







15 Bruce/Bonnie Mueller



# MAY 2026 Calendar of Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
<b>8:30 am</b> Worship (Z) <b>9 am</b> Worship (O) <b>9 am</b> Sunday School (W) <b>10:30 am</b> Worship (P) <b>10:30 am</b> Worship (W)	<b>6:30 pm</b> Council Mtg (P)		<b>3:30 pm</b> Sunday School (W)	<b>6 pm</b> Bible Study @ First Prentice		
<b>9:30 am Joint Worship Service</b> <b>@ First Ogema</b> (Coffee & Fellowship to follow worship) 						
<b>8 am</b> Council Mtg (O) <b>8:30 am</b> Worship (Z) <b>9 am</b> Worship (O) W/ELCA Mtg after worship (O) <b>10:30 am</b> Worship (P) <b>10:30 am</b> Worship (W) <b>Grad Recognition—</b> <b>Prentice &amp; Ogema</b>				<b>6 pm</b> Bible Study @ First Prentice		
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<b>9:30 am Joint Worship Service</b> <b>@ First Ogema</b> (Potluck lunch to follow worship)						

## MAY VOLUNTEERS

**First Lutheran—Ogema Food Service:**  
OPEN



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**Ogema, WI 54459-8340**



## **COME WORSHIP WITH US**

### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR MAY 2026**

**Sunday May 3** 5th Sunday of Easter (Communion)

**8:30 am Zion Brantwood**      **10:30 am Prentice**

Deb Strobl (SAM) leading worship

**9:00 am Ogema**                      **10:30 am Westboro**

Travis Rogers (SAM) leading worship

**Sunday May 10** 6th Sunday of Easter (Communion)

**9:30 am Joint Worship Service at First Ogema**

Travis Rogers (SAM) leading worship

**COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW WORSHIP**

**Sunday May 17** 7th Sunday of Easter (Communion)

**Graduation Recognition—Prentice & Ogema**

**8:30 am Zion Brantwood**      **10:30 am Prentice**

Travis Rogers (SAM) leading worship

**9:00 am Ogema**                      **10:30 am Westboro**

Shawnda Hora (SAM) leading worship

**Sunday May 24** Day of Pentecost

**8:30 am Zion Brantwood**      **10:30 am Prentice**

Linda Heikkinen, Leader

David Bergman, Leader

**9:00 am Ogema**

**10:30 am Westboro**

Jeanne Cummings, Leader

RuthAnn Pipkorn, Leader

**Sunday May 31** The Holy Trinity (Communion)

**9:30 am Joint Worship Service at First Ogema**

Travis Rogers (SAM) leading worship

**FELLOWSHIP POTLUCK TO FOLLOW WORSHIP**



Please Note: If you need pastoral care or if you know of anyone who should be contacted about receiving a Communion or home visit, please contact the parish office at 715-767-5155 or email office@1stfamily.org.