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Issue Deadline: Monday, May 22nd at 1:00 PM

Mailing: Wednesday, May 31st

DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION?



Remember to contact the church office whenever there is a change with your mailing address, phone number, email or any other information that you feel should be shared or updated. Email addresses are useful for contacting the congregation with mid-week cancelations or changes in meetings.

Feel free to leave a note on the secretary's desk, send an e-mail, or call the church office at: 715-392-4751 or

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May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 4 PM F&O Meeting 4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons	2 Tiff Out of Office 3:45-7 PM Piano Lessons 4 - 6 PM Rib Feast 4:30 PM Worship Committee	3 9:30 AM PW Meeting 12 PM Staff mtg (Zoom) 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 3-4 PM Planning AHEAD 4-5:30 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Deacons Meeting 6 PM Book Club	4 5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 7 PM AA Meeting	5 10 AM—12 PM Piano Lessons	6 6 PM AA Speaker Meeting
7 Confirmation Sunday 8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10 AM Worship (YouTube & In Person) 11 AM Garden Kickoff 4 PM Softball Practice 6 PM Volleyball 6 PM Boy Scouts	8 4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Adventure Group @ Canal Park 5 PM Finance Committee	9 3:45-7 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Pickleball	10 Pastor Out of Office—Working Remote 12 PM Staff mtg (Zoom) 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 3-4 PM Planning AHEAD 4-5:30 PM Piano Lessons 6:15 Personnel Committee	11 Pastor Out of Office—Working Remote 5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 6 PM B&G Meeting 7 PM AA Meeting	12 Pastor Out of Office—Working Remote	13 Pastor Out of Office—Working Remote
14 8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10 AM Worship (YouTube & In Person) 4 PM Softball Practice 6 PM Volleyball	15 Tiff Out of Office 4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons 5 PM SF Committee	16 3:45-7 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Pickleball 6 PM Softball vs Bayside—Field 1	17 12 PM Staff mtg (Zoom) 1 PM Caregiver Conversations 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 3-4 PM Planning AHEAD 4-5:30 PM Piano Lessons	18 5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:15 PM Session Meeting 7 PM AA Meeting	19	20 12:30 PM Robert Perrault Funeral
21 Graduation Sunday 8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10 AM Worship (YouTube & In Person) Church clean up following service 4 PM Community Dinner 6 PM Volleyball 6 PM Boy Scouts	22 1 PM UPBeat Deadline 4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons	23 3:45-7 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Pickleball 6 PM Softball vs Hope Community—Field 2	24 Tiff Out of Office 12 PM Staff mtg (Zoom) 1 PM Caregiver Conversations 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 3-4 PM Planning AHEAD 4-5:30 PM Piano Lessons	25 7 PM AA Meeting	26	27
28 10 AM Worship (YouTube & In Person) 11 AM Mission Committee 6 PM Volleyball 6 PM Boy Scouts	29 Office Closed—Memorial Day 4-8:30 PM Piano Lessons	30 3:45-7 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Pickleball 6 PM Softball vs Lakeside—Lakeside Field	31 UPBeat Mailing 12 PM Staff mtg (Zoom) 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 4-5:30 PM Piano Lessons	SUNDAY WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE LIVE ONLINE AT: http://upc-superior.com/youtube		

Spiritual Formation: For Ages & Stages Committee

Contact: Laura Foote, CYF Ministries Director, at lmfoote.upc@gmail.com

Hello United!

Our Easter celebration was a blast! I have since found a few eggs that were not found, and you may have too. If you do, please enjoy what's inside and return the empty egg to me!

We are going to continue our celebrating into the month of May! First, Sunday, May 7 will be Confirmation Sunday. Come celebrate and welcome Adalia as a new member of our church!

Graduation Sunday will be on Sunday, May 21. If you or someone you know is graduating, please let me know by May 14 so we can name and celebrate them!

This April we had the honor of hosting a Youth Mental Health First Aid Training. I'm thankful for Tracy and Danette who led this, and for everyone who came out to be a part of it!

Our softball games will begin in May — check out the calendar on our website and the bulletin for game locations and times! Everyone ages 12+ is invited to come and play! No matter your age, everyone is welcome to come cheer on the team! We will be doing new t-shirts this year and anyone can buy one — the purchase of a shirt will also help to cover our league fee. Check out the bulletin or reach out to me for more information about this!

Children's Church will not meet for the month of May — we will resume on June 4. :)

The time for summer camp is approaching! Clearwater Forest offers summer camp opportunities for a variety of ages. The theme this year is: What's in a Name. If you would like more information please visit: <https://clearwaterforest.org/summer-camp/>. There is a camp scholarship available through our presbytery!

Lastly, mark your calendars for our Holy Smokin' BBQ! This is a fundraiser for our mission trip this summer and will take a team effort! The event will be at UPC on June 1 at 5p. Come enjoy music, good food, and gather around a fire with a yummy s'more. It's a nice way to start the summer! Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for kids.

Whoo, we've got a lot of great things in motion. Please reach out if you have any questions or want to connect!

With Joy,
Laura



SF Dates

The SF Committee will meet on May 15 at 5p in the Youth room.

Confirmation Sunday will be on Sunday, May 7.

Graduation Sunday will be on Sunday, May 21.

Check out the calendar and weekly bulletin for additions and/or changes throughout the month!

Inclusive Care Unit

We are ready for donations for the spring and summer months! We are accepting: hand sanitizer, toiletry items (toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, chapstick, lotion, floss, deodorant, etc.), and canned/sealed food items that are not expired. Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Thank you!

Fellowship and Outreach

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Ken Aker
Marianne Aker
Fran Brice
Gloria Neuman
Janice Parish
Susan Litehiser

SUPERIOR REHAB, Superior, WI

Ken Uvila

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Dave Larson	5/5
Cathy Hecht	5/7
Stormy Walker	5/7
Josiah Brady-Kopnick	5/8
Annika Nikoi	5/9
David Lehman	5/15
Jenny Ostrowski	5/17
Trent Anderson	5/19
Pam McGraw	5/20
Deb Emery	5/27

Happy May, UPC Family!

F&O continues to work hard to bring you some fun and exciting events this spring. Check out the details below.

ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY:

Planning AHEAD has been a huge success so far, and you can always join in on the excitement. Join us on **Wednesdays from 3-4 PM through May 24th** as we continue to learn how to plan for our futures. The 7-session workshop, taught by Chelsea Thompson, covers the topics of getting started, handling financial changes, advance medical and legal directives, estate planning, choices in end-of-life care, final wishes, and understanding grief.

FIRST ADVENTURE GROUP OF 2023: May 8th at 4:00 PM

The Adventure Group is back at it! We will meet in Canal Park to walk around and enjoy the Spring air. We plan to find a place to eat and enjoy a beverage. If you need a ride, carpooling will be available at the church at 3:30 PM.

SPRING CLEAN UP AT UPC: May 21st following church.

Please join us as we freshen up the church for the upcoming season.

Join us for pickleball every **Tuesday from 4-6 PM** and volleyball every Sunday from **6-7:30 PM**.

Sincerely,

Fellowship and Outreach

Becky Kirk, Beth Lisak, Cameron Campbell, Cathy Hecht, Debbie Bergstrom, JoAnn Rush, and Kjersten Lisak

Mission

Celebrate Our Garden and Our Confirmation on Sunday, May 7!

On Sunday, May 7, we have a lot to celebrate! Not only is it Confirmation Sunday, but it is also Planting Day for the 2023 UPC Community Garden. So EVERYONE is invited to a potluck, which will take place right after the church service. Bring whatever dish you wish, but we suggest one featuring something that will be grown in this year's garden: tomatoes, lettuce, potatoes, onions, green beans, carrots, rutabaga, garlic, zucchini, beets, and rhubarb. Yummy desserts will be supplied.

We'd love it if you'd also bring the recipe for your dish to share.

After the potluck, there are more activities for our Community Garden kickoff. Our gardeners will be provided with gardening tips by our guests, Jon and Holly Wolfe, who are Master Gardeners in Duluth. The gardeners will also pick up their seeds and plants, receive a tour of the garden (if needed), and, if weather allows, get started with their planting. Anyone who wants to is welcome to stay for Jon and Holly's presentation and/or help out with the planting.

Questions? Contact Deborah Schlacks at desertswan@aol.com or 218-348-6032.

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE WISHLIST:

Juice boxes
Coffee creamers
Individually packaged snacks
Canned black beans
Tortilla chips
Boxes of pasta, sauces, and tomato paste
Toilet paper



RUTH HOUSE WISHLIST

Bottled water
Paper towels
Garbage bags
All purpose cleaners and bleach
Paper products and plastic silverware
Hamburger, chicken, and hotdogs
Cream soups
Hand warmers
Chicken and beef broth
Sugar
Sleeping bags
Backpacks



JoAnn Rush (218-391-5304) is willing to collect donations from church and deliver them to Ruth House.

Presbyterian Women



COMMUNITY DINNER *May 21*

The Community Dinner will be on May 21st at 4 PM, with leftovers available for takeout starting at 5 PM. Takeout is not guaranteed, and will not be distributed before 5 PM. This month's Community Dinner will consist of Cam's Fancy Orange Glaze Chicken, rice pilaf, vegetables, sherbet, and wafer cookies. We hope to see you there!

The monthly gathering of UPC's Presbyterian Women will be held on Wednesday, May 3 at 9:30 at the church. Hostesses will be Debbie Bergstrom and Becky Kirk. All women are cordially invited to attend.

The Presbyterian Women of Presbytery of Northern Waters will meet 5/11/2023 at Lakeside Presbyterian Church. Coffee and Registration will take place at 9:30 AM. Marilyn Stone is the featured speaker.

Worship



**WATCH ALL WORSHIP
SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:**

<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>

Liturgists

May

5/7—Vacant
5/14—Vacant
5/21—Kathy Nelson
5/28—Vacant

June

6/4—Donna Okash
6/11—Vacant
6/18—Vacant
6/25—Vacant

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

The sign up sheets are available at the back of the Narthex. Dates through June 25th are currently available. More dates will be posted during the month of May. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like.

Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.

May Meetings

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Postponed indefinitely.

SPIRITUAL FORMATION MEETING

Tuesday, May 16th, 2023 at 5:00 PM

BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023 at 4:00 PM

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MEETING

Thursday, May 11th, 2023 at 6:00 PM
(Zoom & In person)

MISSION COMMITTEE

Sunday, May 28th, 2023 after the service

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, May 8th, 2023 at 5 PM

SESSION MEETING

Thursday, May 18th, 2023 at 6:15 PM
(Zoom & In person)

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023 at 4:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING

Monday, May 1st, 2023 at 4:00 PM

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, May 10th, 2023 at 6:15 PM

CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP—

Wednesday, May 17th, 2023 at 1:00 PM
If you have questions, call Luann Tiege at 715-394-3611.

STAFF MEETING - Every Wednesday 12:00 PM. (Zoom)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023 at 9:30 AM

Finance

March Income & Expenses

Operating Income (Offering, donation, building use fees, per capita, and interest):	\$14,463.10
Operating Expenses (Ministry, worship, education, property, personnel expenses):	<u>\$20,019.70</u>
Decrease in March	-\$5,556.60

**Next Finance Committee meeting:
Monday, May 8 at 5:00 pm**

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE?

At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God. From signing up to volunteer to donating financially, if you'd like to support the mission and vision of the church you can do so at the following link:

<https://www.upc-superior.com/donate>

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REVEREND BRETT FOOTE PHONE 717-247-4433 WORSHIP: SUNDAYS AT 10 A.M.

From the Pastor...

Y'all,

Welcome to Spring, we have a lot to celebrate at United that's just sprouting up! Before we get to all of that though, what a wonderful Holy Week & Easter we had. It was great to see so many new and familiar faces here at United over the month of April. As a church: with the congregation, committees, friends, Elders, Deacons, and staff It feels as if the church is mirroring the change of seasons. There is so much new life and opportunity to be had at this moment and it's springing forth after a long and arduous winter.

Congratulations on breaking the all time record, United! We've hit somewhere north of 140 inches of snow or there about for the season in the Twin Ports of Superior & Duluth. That's more snow than has ever been recorded here in history. I won't lie, I was praying for it...just to say we broke it. In the midst of all the snow that has melted away, church is blossoming in some incredible ways. We are about to hit another milestone this year, United is celebrating 25 years of ministry as a congregation. As a community, we started worshipping together in an old post office and now we are here. Look for more info to come out in the coming months about a future 25th year anniversary celebration. There will be food and fun! In the midst of 25 years comes a recent change that our Children, Youth, & Family Ministry Committee has made. They have renamed themselves and have taken under their umbrella the ad-hoc committee that put together our Small Groups this last Fall. They are now known as: Spiritual Formation: For Ages & Stages or SF for short. Don't worry as Children, Youth, & Family ministry is and will always remain at the heart of their work, they've decided to rename the committee when they realized that their work encompassed more than just students but folks of all ages, especially through the new small group ministry. Congratulations to them as they see their work evolving and growing. What's also springing up here at United is some follow through on the incredible work that took place at our Leadership Retreat. We can't say more just yet about the project, but it is an attempt at mission, service, and justice with our neighbors that is near and dear to most every single person in this congregation. I can't wait to tell you more about the partnership we are hoping to develop.

There is so much to be excited about here at United (beyond the snow) and I take every opportunity I can to tell others about all that God is doing through the saints here at UPC on the shores of Lake Superior. I

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hope you do too! There's a ton to be stoked about after all. This month, I will be heading to the headquarters of our denomination, in Louisville as a part of my work with the Educator Certification Committee at the national level. I always find it refreshing to see the church at work in different areas of the country and world. I'm reminded of the fact that we at UPC are just one church, with others all around the Northland, this nation, and world that: God is at work in and through, who are celebrating, growing, changing, serving, grieving, empowering and letting others know about the good news of Jesus. That's not just confined to us right here, our denomination, or even the American church. God is at work in your neighbor's life and your own. I give thanks for that, and as we spring into warmer weather may we be ever aware of what God is doing!

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Brett