

HELPFUL TO KNOW

NURSERY

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

After the Passing the Peace portion of our service, children ages 5 through 5th grade are invited to meet by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the worship service. Share a request in the comments section. Additionally, the Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Dorothy Burriss 817-715-0968 (macb.dlb@sbcglobal.net) or Dean Hecht at 715-919-1325.

RIDE SHARE

Need a ride? Please check the bulletin board by the fire extinguisher in the narthex.

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Online Worship

3rd Sunday in Eastertide & Camp Sunday May 4th, 2025 10:00 AM

If you're joining us online, please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

* Please rise in body or spirit.

If the text is bolded, everyone is invited to say the words in unison.

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT Be Not Afraid (3x)

#243

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: God our Helper...

All: You are more than an extra or an addendum, you are more than just a little bit of assistance, you are our God!

One: You save us, you support us, you are our help when the going gets rough.

All: We confess that: we don't always turn to you for help, sometimes we'd rather rest than serve our neighbor, and still at other times we over extend ourselves and dishonor how you created us.

One: We've made mistakes and we ask...

All: That you would forgive us. One: That you would inspire us.

All: That your Holy Spirit would flow through us and turn our mourning into dancing, Lord Jesus. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God's forgiveness is lavish. God does not desire anyone to remain in their sin but that all people would experience grace and redemption. Friends, by no work of your own you are forgiven. Because of Christ and his birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those around you with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you." In response you may say "And also with you!" (you may pass the peace in the comments section)

Children are invited to gather by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.

*RESPONSE O Lord, Our Lord #613

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jane Wester

New Testament Revelation 5: 11-14

SERMON Paramedics & Pie Bakers: God The Helper Rev. Brett M. Foote

Old Testament Psalm 30

*HYMN For Everyone Born (vs 1,2,3,5)

*CONFESSION OF BELHAR (Abridged by Pastor Brett)

One: Let us affirm our faith together using this confession.

All: We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. This unity between people and God must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted; We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

MOMENT FOR MISSION & STEWARDSHIP Kirsten Standen, Spiritual Formation Committee

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor

*RESPONSE For the Life That You Have Given

#717

#769

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God our Helper who calls us each to be helpers, take all that we offer you, our time, talents, and treasures and grow them for your kingdom. Help us to live openhanded lives sharing the gift of our lives with others. Move in us so that we may center the voices of those on the margins. Send your grace filled Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for our congregation, Superior community, and this world. May we experience the gift of God's resurrection in our lives! Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God most High.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: For you, Creator God, the valleys laugh and sing and the trees of the field clap their hands. Your earth summons us to break silence and be one with the song of creation.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: For you, God of all, the church in its myriad forms and countless languages honors its Savior. Millions upon millions invite us to be one with them in the drama of worship.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: In heaven, beyond our seeing, the saints and angels are caught up in song. And those we have loved and lost are part of the great company. They call us to be one with the harmony of heaven.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: So gladly we join our voices to those of earth, lake, and sky, in the universal hymn of praise which echoes through time and eternity.

*COMMUNION HYMN Come to the Table of Grace (vs 1-3) #507

LORD'S PRAYER

One: Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION Sharing the Bread and Cup

You are invited to participate in this sacrament regardless of age, church affiliation, or location. Here at the church we invite you to come forward in two lines, row by row, down the middle of the sanctuary to receive the elements. Return to your seat via the side aisles. Please raise your hand in your seat if you would like to receive the elements without leaving it. We will come around and offer them to you.

PRAYER FOR AFTER WE'VE BEEN FED

One: O Friend, O Brother Jesus we have been guests at your table; come with us wherever we go and be present in all we share.

All: Summon out in us, whom you have fed, generosity of spirit to ensure that all the hungry are nourished and earth's barren places are fertile with food, faith, hope and love. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN To God Be the Glory #634

*BENEDCITION

*POSTLUDE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

NEW TESTAMENT

Revelation 5: 11-14 11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" 13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" 14 And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 30

1 I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up and did not let my foes rejoice over me. 2 O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me. 3 O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit. 4 Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name. 5 For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning. 6 As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved." 7 By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed. 8 To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication: 9 "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness? 10 Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!" 11 You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy. 12 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

ANNOUNCEMENT

COMMUNITY GARDEN KICK-OFF COMING MAY 18!

The 2025 UPC Community Garden Kick-Off will be held on Sunday, May 18, after church. We'll have a salad potluck for the entire congregation, followed by a talk by a gardening expert for our gardeners and anyone else interested. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex to bring a salad or dessert to the potluck. It will be fun!

WAYS TO SERVE

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United! *Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.

- Coffee Hour*—Make coffee and bring treats for everyone.
- Liturgist*—Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.
- Crafters Group—Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM.
- Community Dinner—Volunteer for our Community Dinner the third Sunday in October, February, June and August.
- Twin Ports Welcome Corp—Join the TPWC and help sponsor a refugee. Questions? Contact Eric Schlacks 218-269-6678.
- Community Garden*—Help plan and carry out the UPC Community Garden project, which provides vegetables for UPC Community Dinners and Great Lakes Elementary students.
- Nursery—Come spend time with our babies and toddlers in the nursery during the Sunday service! You will serve with a Nursery Coordinator once or twice a month (your choice). A background check is required.
- Children's Church—Come support our young ones as they grow in their faith during Children's Church! This takes place during the Sunday service. You can volunteer once or twice a month (your choice). A background check is required.
- Technology/AV Desk—Volunteer to run the AV on a rotating, weekly or monthly basis. Training will be provided! Questions? Contact Mac Burriss 304-890-2375.

WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM.
- Volleyball—Every Sunday at 6:00 PM.
- Men's Breakfast—First Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM. Contact Tom Lisak (218-348-5390) with any guestions.
- Presbyterian Women—Meetings are the first Wednesday of every month (except January, February, and July) at 9:30 AM. December and June meetings are lunches at 12:30 PM.
- Cooking with Pastor Brett*—We'll be making pot stickers May 13th at 4:00 PM. We are limited to twelve people so sign up early!
- Hike Osaugie Trail—Join us on a hike today at 12:30 PM. Meet at the pier on Barker's Island. Questions? Contact Debbie Bergstrom 218-269-4679.
- Munch Bunch—May 7th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Log cabin located in Superior! There will be live music and pizza to order.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 5/4

8:45 Chancel Choir Coffee Hour 12:30 PM Hike Osaugie Trail 6:00 PM Volleyball

MONDAY 5/5

3:30 PM Piano Lessons 3:30 PM Fellowship & Outreach

TUESDAY 5/6

10:00 AM Pickleball 1:00 PM AA Meeting 4:30 PM Worship Committee 5:00 PM Bell Choir

WEDNESDAY 5/7

9:30 AM PW Meeting 10:00 AM Crafters Group 12:00 PM Staff Meeting 2:00 PM CSA Pick-up 4:30 PM Piano Lessons 4:30 PM Deacons Meeting 5:00 PM Munch Bunch @ Log Cabin

THURSDAY 5/8

10:00 AM Pickleball 3:30 PM Piano Lessons 4:30 PM Building & Grounds

FRIDAY 5/9

SATURDAY 5/10

Birthdays This Week

5/5—Dave Larson 5/7—Cathy Hecht

5/7—Stormy Walker

5/8—Josiah Brady-Kopnick

5/9—Annika Nikoi

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

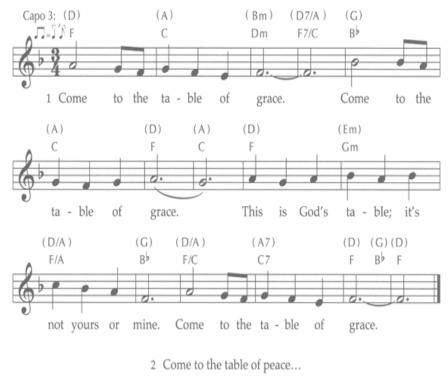
THE LORD'S SUPPER is open to all Christians. Celebrating the Eucharist is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in curiosity, faith, repentance, and love. In preparing to be brought into the presence of Christ in this Sacrament, the person confesses sin and brokenness, seeks reconciliation with God and neighbor, and trusts in Jesus Christ for cleansing and renewal. Even one who doubts, or whose trust is wavering, comes to the Table to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.



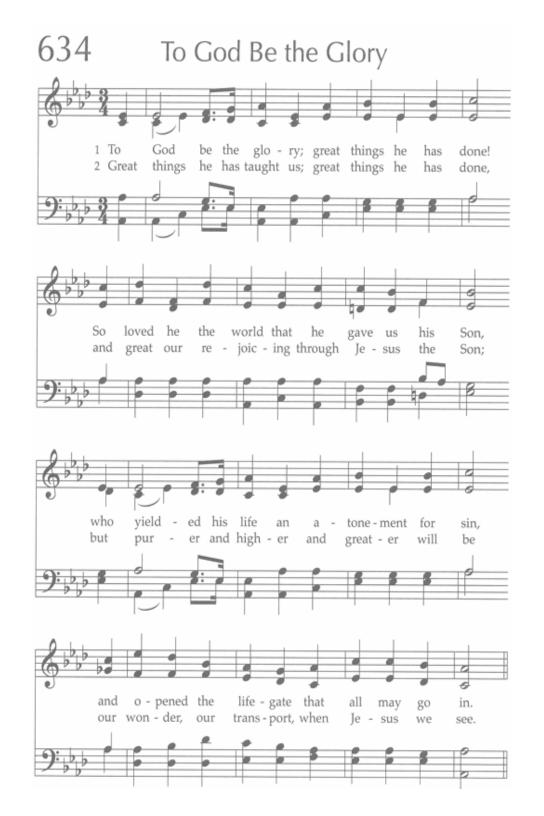




Come to the Table of Grace 507



- 3 Come to the table of love...
- 4 Come to the table of hope...
- 5 Come to the table of joy...





For Everyone Born



- 1 For ev ery one born,
- 2 For wom an and man,
- 3 For young and for old,
- 4 For just and un just,
- 5 For ev ery one born,
- a place at the ta ble,
- a place at the ta ble, a place at the ta - ble,
- a place at the ta ble,
- a place at the ta ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread, re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for give, to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



shel-ter, a space, a safe place for grow-ing, with wis-dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er, the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled, in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cv, to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, o - ver-head, a star for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair, for young and for old, the right to be - long, for just and un - just, a new way to live, for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,



