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If you'd like to join virtually, please connect with the following link:  
<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>  
(If you are here in person we offer hearing assistance devices-see technology desk.)

### 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**

**Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**February 8th, 2026**

**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

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT We Are One in Christ Jesus (2x) #322**

### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: God of the new heavens and new earth...

**All: We pray earnestly for that day when all will be made one and whole. God, sometimes it is so bad we are worried we may never get there.**

One: Forgive us Holy God for when we aren't your Son Jesus' hands and feet.

**All: Forgive those moments where we hide from the difficult things of this world and dim our lights.**

One: Sometimes we aren't as salty as we'd like!

**All: Help us Holy Spirit, move in our lives that we might be a witness to Your gospel.**

One: Make us holy, holy God.

**All: In Christ's name we pray, amen.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, before a word of apology escaped from your lips, was signed with a hand or was written on a diary page, you were forgiven. You cannot be separated from God's love in Jesus.

**All: Really?**

One: Really.

**All: Will God ever abandon us?**

One: No, God will not abandon us.

**All: God's love is tender and strong.**

One: Remember always that because of Christ's love for us in and through 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 For the Life That You Have Given #717**

**CHANCEL CHOIR Christ, Be Our Light**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Old Testament**  
**Sermon The Light of Liberation**  
**New Testament**

**Isaiah 58:3-12**  
**Jocelyn Langholz**  
**Matthew 5:13-20**

**\*HYMN In Christ There is No East or West #317**

## MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

### OFFERING

**OFFERTORY Alex Sandor #606**  
**\*RESPONSE Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow**

### \*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: God of salt and light. Thank You for calling us each beloved. May we always reach out to our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever they are from, with care. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures as we serve the Superior community. May we live Your expansive love. We give You thanks for all of these gifts and what they mean for the kingdom of God. Send Your Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for this congregation, Superior community, and world. May we each be able to share the good news that Christ is at work in our communities! Amen.**

## TIME OF PRAYER

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### SILENT PRAYER

### PASTORAL PRAYER

**LORD'S PRAYER (Here's our suggested version, but feel free to pray the version you are most familiar with.)**

**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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CLOSING HYMN Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining #192**

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE

## 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 in the crafting room inside the Fellowship Hall. Contact the office to learn more.
- Community Dinner\*—Volunteer for our Community Dinner February 15. To learn more, contact the office or Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.
- Nursery—Come spend time with our babies and toddlers in the nursery during the Sunday service! Contact Laura at [laura.foote@upc-superior.com](mailto:laura.foote@upc-superior.com) to learn more or sign up. *A background check is required.*
- Children's Church—Come support our young ones as they grow in their faith! Children's Church takes place during the Sunday service. Contact Laura at [laura.foote@upc-superior.com](mailto:laura.foote@upc-superior.com) to learn more or sign up. *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 in the Fellowship Hall at UPC. All are welcome!
- Volleyball—Every Sunday at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at UPC.
- Men's Breakfast—First Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM at Superior Family Restaurant. February 7 is the next breakfast. Questions? Contact Tom Lisak at 218-348-5390.
- Women's Breakfast—First Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM at Superior Waffles. February 7 is the next breakfast. Contact Dorothy Burriss at 817-715-0968 with any questions.
- Presbyterian Women—Meet 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. To learn more, contact Bonnie Wallin at 715-392-7029.
- Lenten Small Group—Pick up our devotional book for Lent this year and join us in the Youth Room on Sundays at 8:45a beginning on February 22nd. If you have any questions, contact Laura at [laura.foote@upc-superior.com](mailto:laura.foote@upc-superior.com).

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### OLD TESTAMENT

**Isaiah 58:3-12**

**58:3** "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. **4** You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. **5** Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? **6** Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? **7** Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? **8** Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. **9** Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am." If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, **10** if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. **11** The Lord will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. **12** Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

### NEW TESTAMENT

**Matthew 5:13-20**

**5:13** "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot. **14** "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. **15** People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. **16** In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. **17** "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. **18** For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. **19** Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. **20** For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SOUP & BREAD POTLUCK

Our soup & bread potluck is next Sunday, February 15, right after the service. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex if you would like to bring soup or bread!

### WALKING GROUP UPDATE

- We continue to walk Wednesdays 12:00-1:00 PM.
- Averaging 5-7 people a week.
- There is a data information sheet hanging in the gym by the big doors.
- Lap counters are available in the office.
- A church member can come and walk anytime the church is open and not being used. No walking during pickleball or not in the worship area during piano lessons.
- If someone wants to start another day and time for walking, contact the office.

### ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Our Ash Wednesday Service will be held on February 18 at 5:45 PM, including the Imposition of Ashes. All are welcome to join us as we begin the Lenten season together.

### SPUD DAY

Join us for our Spud Day Lunch Sunday, February 22, right after the service. Everyone is welcome to join us for a delicious meal!

### SERVICE TEAM

As our service team heads to North Carolina for a mission trip, you'll be able to follow along with updates, photos, and reflections throughout the week. Just check the church's Facebook page to stay up to date with everything the team is doing.

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY 2/8

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip  
8:45 AM Chancel Choir  
8:45 AM Spiritual Formation  
6:00 PM Volleyball

### TUESDAY 2/10

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip  
10:00 AM Pickleball  
1:00 PM AA Meeting  
5:00 PM Bell Choir  
7:00 PM Gym Rental

### THURSDAY 2/12

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip  
10:00 AM Pickleball  
3:30 PM Piano Lessons  
5:00 PM Kickstarters Soccer  
5:00 PM Building & Grounds

### SATURDAY 2/14

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip

### MONDAY 2/9

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip  
2:30 PM Piano Lesson

### WEDNESDAY 2/11

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip  
10:00 AM Crafters Group  
12:00 PM Walking Group  
4:00 PM Piano Lessons

### FRIDAY 2/13

Pastor Out of Office-Service Trip

### Birthdays This Week

2/8—Dawn Long  
2/10—Bryce Brittan  
2/10—Jason Matthias  
2/10—Bob Okash  
2/11—Rosa Palmer

### 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>

# 322 We Are One in Christ Jesus

*Somos uno en Cristo*

Em

We are one in Christ Je - sus, all one bod - y, all one  
So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos u - no, so - mos

B B7 Em Em

spir - it, all to - geth - er. geth - er. We share one  
u - no, u - no so - lo. so - lo. Un so - lo

Am Em B7

God, one might - y Lord, one a - bid - ing faith, one bind - ing  
Dios, un so - lo Se - ñor, u - na so - la fe, un so - lo g -

Em Am Em

love, one sin - gle bap - tism, one Ho - ly Com - fort - er,  
mor, un so - lo bau - tis - mo, un so - lo Es - pí - ri - tu,

# 717 For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in

Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these

gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;

heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to

love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

# 317 In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no  
 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - ery - where their high com -  
 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your  
 4 In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet

south or north, but one great fel - low -  
 mu - nion find; his ser - vice is the  
 race may be. All chil - dren of the  
 south and north. All Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 gold - en cord close - bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

# 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise \*him, all crea - tures

here be - low; praise \*him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host; praise

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

\*Or "God"

# 192 Lord, the Light of Your Love

## Is Shining

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Capo 2: (G) (C) (G) (D) (G)  
A D A E A

1 Lord, the light of your love is shin - ing, in the  
2 Lord, I come to your awe - some pres - ence, from the  
3 As we gaze on your king - ly bright - ness, so our

(C) (G) (D) (C) (D)  
D A E D E

midst of the dark - ness, shin - ing; Je - sus, Light of the  
shad - ows in - to your ra - diance; by the blood I may  
fac - es dis - play your like - ness; ev - er chang - ing from

(Bm7) (Em7) (C) (D) (Bm7)  
C#m7 F#m7 D E C#m7

World, shine up - on us; set us free by the truth you now  
en - ter your bright - ness. Search me; try me; con - sume all my  
glo - ry to glo - ry, mir - rored here may our lives tell your

(Em7) (F) (Dsus)(D) (F) (Dsus)(D)  
F#m7 G Esus E G Esus E

bring us. Shine on me; shine on me.  
dark - ness. Shine on me; shine on me.  
sto - ry. Shine on me; shine on me.

*Refrain* (G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)  
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Shine, Je - sus, shine; fill this land with the Fa - ther's glo - ry.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (Am/G) (F) (D7sus) (D7)  
A E F#m D A Bm Bm/A G E7sus E7

Blaze, Spir - it, blaze; set our hearts on fire.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am7) (C) (D7) (C) (D)  
A E F#m D A Bm7 D E7 D E

Flow, riv - er, flow; flood the na - tions with grace and mer - cy.

(G) (D) (Em) (C) (G) (Am) (D7) (G)  
A E F#m D A Bm E7 A

Send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.