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

Please feel free to place any questions you may have by replying in the comments section (YouTube), or contact the church office by phone or email and request to be added to our email list.

PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (YouTube) or by contacting the church by email or phone with your request.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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Online Worship

Sixth Sunday in Eastertide

May 5th, 2024

10:00 AM

If you are 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 A Camping We Will Go

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray...

All: God who holds us together as family in the knowledge of your son Jesus, you are good! Forgive us for our industrious labor with brick, block, and mortar. Continue to tear down the walls between us and you. Help us to create community with your son Jesus at the center. Forgive us. Move and shake us awake. In the name of the Holy Trinity, we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Ephesians 2: 4-10 remind us, that it is God who forgives us. "God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast." Know that today and everyday the gift of God in and through Christ's birth, life, death, and especially his resurrection....

All: is that we are all forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*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.)

*RESPONSE I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy

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

SCRIPTURE READING Jane Wester

Old Testament Reading Psalm 98: 1-9

SERMON Family Is Messy: UPC Community Rev. Brett M Foote

New Testament Reading 1 John 5:1-6

*HYMN Pass It On

***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 STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*OFFERING HYMN Give Thanks #647

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who calls us children, help us to love our family well. Help us to elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized or hurt by our society and church. Enable us to give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we model your hands and feet of justice and love today and every day. Send your powerful Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for each of our communities: Superior and the rest of the Northland. We want others to know your "Yes!" towards all humanity! Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN Kumb ba Yah #472

EUCCHARISTIC 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: Praise to You, O God, for all of Your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in Your image to live together in love. You made a covenant with us, and even when we turned from You, You remained ever faithful. You taught Your disciples to pray by saying...

LORD'S PRAYER

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. We invite you to use what elements you have near you at home, preferably bread and grape juice. Please do not let having those specific items preclude you from participating in this sacrament. Please use what is available. At home we invite you to serve one another or yourself using the words "The Bread of Heaven" for the bread and "The Cup of Salvation" for the juice in whatever form they take after the pastor has spoken the words of institution. 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 OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us give thanks.

All: With this bread of life and cup of salvation, O God, You have brought us into Christ's presence, united us with Him, and bound us to each other. Now send us out, empowered by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be Your light and love in the world. Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER

SILENT PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

*** CLOSING HYMN This Little Light of Mine**

*** BENEDICTION**

*** POSTLUDE**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 98:1-9

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things. His right hand and his holy arm have gotten him victory. The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord. Let the sea roar and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it who conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GET INVOLVED

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United! Two great ways that are available year-round are to sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship, or to host a coffee hour following the service. There are sign up sheets available at the back of the Narthex under the calendar!

NURSERY AVAILABILITY

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old. Once checked in, your young ones can play in a safe environment during worship.

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, from there they will go together to the Youth room for Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith. Children's Church will not meet Sunday, May 26th.

CAMP SUNDAY

Today the Spiritual Formation Committee will be hosting a camp-themed Coffee Hour. The goal is to share about the positive influence of camp and raise funds to send students to camp this summer!

GRADUATION SUNDAY

We will be celebrating our graduates on Sunday, June 2nd! If you or someone you know is graduating, please send an email to Laura at lmfoote.upc@gmail.com with the following information: first and last name of the person graduating, connection to United, and where they are graduating from. Please reach out to Laura with any questions.

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT AND COOKOUT

On Sunday, June 16th from 4-7 PM we will be having a Cornhole Tournament and Cookout in the parking lot! This will be a time of family fun for everyone! First place will receive a prize (and bragging rights!). Whether or not you are playing, please RSVP to Laura by June 9th.

CSA FOODS

If you're looking for fresh, local veggies, meat, breads, and cheeses, look no further than Bayfield CSA Foods! Bayfield CSA drops off boxes of fresh food shares from a variety of local farmers every other Wednesday, where they can be picked up right here at the church! Simply sign up online at the link below, pick a box type, pickup frequency, and put in United Presbyterian Church as the pickup location. Pickup is from 2-6 PM on Wednesday. Link to sign up: <https://bayfieldfoods.csaware.com/store/>

CRAFTERS GROUP

Please join us in the craft room every Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to come and work on our quilting projects, or bring your own. Come for the fellowship!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Friday, May 3rd, Douglas County is at a **Low COVID-19 Community Level**. At this level, the Session-approved guidelines recommend that our community members stay up to date on vaccinations, mask in spaces with older folks and other potentially immunocompromised individuals, and stay home when sick.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The UPC Rummage sale will be May 17th (3-6pm) & May 18th (8am-12pm). Donations can be brought to the church **starting Sunday, May 12th**. We ask that you be considerate of the items that you are donating and bring only items that are still in good condition. Please limit adult clothing donations to only specialty items in new condition. If you have any furniture or in good condition-small appliances, please reach out to Cathy Hecht or Kate Long, to arrange pick-up or check if it is something we can accept into the sale.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

You can join us for pickleball **Tuesdays or Thursdays from 10 AM-12 PM**. We hope to see you there!

CONTINUING EDUCATION

I'll be away participating in some continuing education and a pilgrimage this May with the Iona Community on the Island of Iona in Scotland. I'll be studying worship and helping lead it, participating in guided reflections, sharing in community tasks, and I'll experiment and "play" with liturgy, all in an intensive and communal way. Feel free to ask me questions about it. I'll be gone from May 8 - May 29. These dates also include some vacation time. Filling the pulpit will be Rev. Rich Blood- General Presbyter for the Presbytery on May 12, Jocelyn Langholz- Candidate for Ordination in the Presbytery on May 19, and Rev. Diana Bell- Moderator of the Presbytery on May 26. After I get back I'll be leading a sharing time with the congregation this Summer or Fall. I'm truly grateful to the Session and congregation for providing great opportunities to learn and grow as a pastor and as a follower of Jesus.

-Pastor Brett

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 5/5

8:45 AM Chancel Choir
10:00 AM Morning Worship
10:15 AM Children's Church

MONDAY 5/6

2:00 PM Fellowship & Outreach
6:15 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 5/7

10:00 AM Pickleball
4:30 PM Worship Committee
6:00 PM Bell Choir

WEDNESDAY 5/8

10:00 AM Crafters Group

THURSDAY 5/9

10:00 AM Pickleball
6:00 PM Buildings & Grounds

FRIDAY 5/10

SATURDAY 5/11

Birthdays This Week

5/5- Dave Larson
5/7- Cathy Hecht
5/7- Stormy Walker
5/8- Josiah Brady-Kopnick
5/9- Annika Nikoi

LOOKING AHEAD

May 17th- UPC Rummage Sale 3-6 PM
May 18th- UPC Rummage Sale 8AM-12PM
June 2nd- Graduation Sunday
June 16th- Cornhole Tournament & Cookout 4-7 PM

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Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart; give thanks to the Ho-ly One;

give thanks be-cause we're giv-en Je-sus Christ, the Son. Give

Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the

poor say, "We are rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for

us!" And us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

Pass It On

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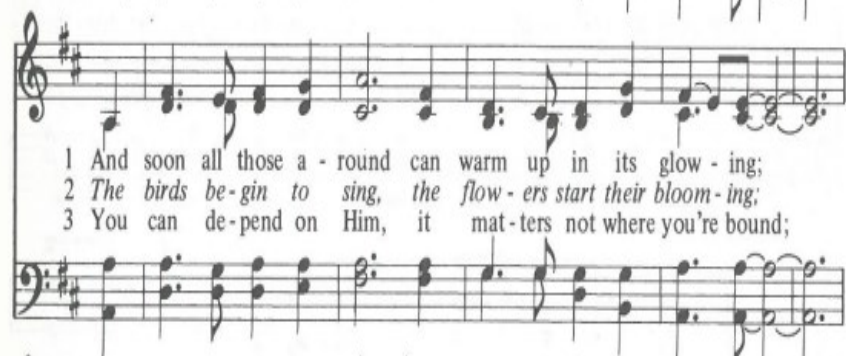
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If God so loved us we ought also to love one another. — 1 John 4:11

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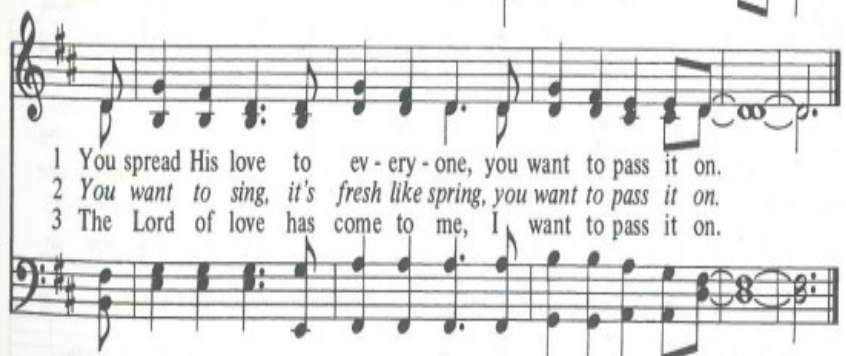
1 It on - ly takes a spark to get a fire go - ing,
2 What a won - drous time is spring - when all the trees are bud - ding,
3 I wish for you, my friend, this hap - pi - ness that I've found -



1 And soon all those a - round can warm up in its glow - ing;
2 The birds be - gin to sing, the flow - ers start their bloom - ing;
3 You can de - pend on Him, it mat - ters not where you're bound;



1 That's how it is with God's love, once you've ex - per - i - enced it:
2 That's how it is with God's love, once you've ex - per - i - enced it:
3 I'll shout it from the moun - tain top, I want my world to know:



1 You spread His love to ev - ery - one, you want to pass it on.
2 You want to sing, it's fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.
3 The Lord of love has come to me, I want to pass it on.

A Camping We Will Go

1. A camping we will go, a camping we will go
Hi, ho and off we go, A camping we will go
2. First we pitch our tent
3. Let's light the campfire now
4. Let's cook our dinner now
5. Let's sing some campfire songs
6. It's time to go to sleep

I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy

1. I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart (**where?**)
2. I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus (**where?**)
3. I've got the peace that passes understanding (**where?**)
4. If the devil doesn't like it he can sit on a tack (**what??**)
5. I've got the wonderful love of my blessed Redeemer
Way down in the depths of my heart (**where?**)

This Little Light of Mine

1. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
2. Shine it around the neighborhood
3. Hide it under a bushel? NO
4. Don't let Satan blow it out
4. Let it shine 'til Jesus comes