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If you'd like to join us for Sunday worship service live, please go to our Facebook page or YouTube and connect with the following link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos

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 during each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (YouTube) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling

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ONLINE WORSHIP

4th Sunday of Lent & Ordination Installation

March 14th, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Bless The Lord #544

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 78)

One: Give ear, United, to God's teaching; incline your lives to the word of God.

All: We will not hide God's teaching from our children.

One: We will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord.

All: God has shown up in the lives of our ancestors, God has shown up at different times in our lives.

One: We still sin and we still complain.

All: Despite this, God still provides for each of us and through us for our families and our entire community.

HYMN All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #263

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God who shepherds us beyond our wants, beyond our fears, bring us from death into life. We confess that we complain. We confess that we sometimes overwhelm ourselves with our schedules. Forgive us for our complaining. Forgive us for being caught up with appointments. Help us. In the midst of our complaint, come to our aide. Help us. As we overwhelm ourselves, clear our "plates." Sanctify us and in doing so, make us into a church that exists for the flourishing of the entire Twin Ports. Heal us, transform us, and make yourself known through us. In the name of the wonderful counselor, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, I believe the saying goes: "The more things change the more they stay the same." Truthfully, we humans have been missing the mark for some time. However, that saying is not true, we, by the power of God are changed day by day more and more into the likeness of Jesus. Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those in the comments section with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you." (Say hello to one another!)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Deborah Schlacks

Numbers 21:4-9

SERMON "There's A Snake In My Boot: Problems In The Wilderness"

Rev. Brett M Foote

New Testament Reading John 3:14-21

THE ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF RULING ELDERS & DEACONS.

Those being ordained and installed today to the office of Ruling Elder: Joan Johnson

Those being installed to the office of Ruling Elder: Marian Lanigan, Jim Willmore, Cameron Campbell

Those being installed to the office of Deacon: Pam Mcgraw, Ron Hicks, Elsie Hicks, Wayne Phelps

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

1 COR. 12:4-7, 27

One: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

One: God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

All: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good. Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

One: With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the words

of the Apostle's Creed.

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

Born of the Virgin Mary,

Suffered under Pontius Pilate,

Was crucified, died, and was buried;

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into Heaven,

He is seated at the right hand of the Father,

And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

The holy catholic church,

The communion of saints,

The forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body,

And the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Gracious and eternal God,

with joy we give you thanks and praise... to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,

Be all glory and honor, now and forever.

All: Amen.

One: Remember your baptism and be thankful.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS
PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION
CHARGE TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED AND INSTALLED

HYMN

Come Live in the Light

#749

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERTORY

RESPONSE

Alex Sandor #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts together in prayer.

All: Almighty God, we thank you for the covenant you established with Abraham and Sarah, which you have opened to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Accept these offerings with the dedication of our lives, that we may be for the world a sign of your abiding love and a testament to your enduring promise. In Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayers to be Shared Please email the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (YouTube)

Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer

CLOSING HYMN We are Marching in the Light of God #853

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alex Sandor

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From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 3/14

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:30 Coffee Break (Zoom) 3-4 PM Hotdish Initiative

MONDAY 3/15

TUESDAY 3/16

4:15 PM Mission (Zoom) 5:30 PM F&O (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 3/17

12:00 Staff Meeting (Zoom)
4-6 PM CSA Pickup
4:30 PM Worship Committee (Zoom)
6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)

THURSDAY 3/18

5:30 PM Session (Zoom)

FRIDAY 3/19

Easter Flower Orders Due!

SATURDAY 3/20

1 PM F&O Hike @ Bear Creek Trail

Birthdays This Week

3/14 Alex Ely

3/14 Sherri Rude

3/15 Rebecca Kirk

3/15 Dolores Larson

3/17 Melanie Johnson

3/17 Joel Huenemann

3/18 Dianne Waite

3/19 Mary Peterson

3/20 Skye Palmer

LOOKING AHEAD

March 14 Hotdish Initiative

March 19 Easter Flower Orders Due

March 20 F&O Hike @ Bear Creek Trail

March 21 Community Dinner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

Items needed for the Inclusive Care Unit! We currently need: **Winter scarves, adult hats, gloves or mittens, and blankets**. Drop them off at the church Monday-Friday between 12 P.M. and 4 P.M.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

United Presbyterian Church needs volunteers to help clear snow from the three main entrances at the front of the Church on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for the remainder of this winter. Please contact Eric Schlacks to volunteer or to learn more. He can be reached at 218-269-6678 or at desertswan1@gmail.com.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The boxes of 2021 offering envelopes for members can be found in the narthex on the table under the calendar. Please come anytime within church hours to pick them up.

ICU TREE

What was formerly the mitten tree is now the ICU tree! It is still set up in the main entrance, and we are asking for donations of new socks, hand warmers, and foot warmers to be placed on the tree to be donated to the Inclusive Care Unit. Please bring in donations during office hours to decorate the tree!

LENTEN WORSHIP

Please join us for an interactive Lenten Service, with a song and brief liturgy on Wednesdays at 6:15 PM during Lent. This will be done via Zoom. The link to this worship service will be sent out via email prior to the service.

EASTER FLOWERS

Order forms for Easter Lilies and Chrysanthemums went out in your UPBeats, and will also be available in the office. They will be placed in the sanctuary to be seen during our live streamed services. Orders are due March 19th. They can be picked up on April 6th if you wish to take them home.





749 Come! Live in the Light!



853 We Are Marching in the Light of God



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