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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

August 30th, 2020

10:00 A.M.

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

PRELUDE

Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

From the Rising of the Sun

#670

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 55)

One: Give ear to our prayers, O God.

All: Do not hide yourself from our supplication.

One: Attend to us in our distress and anguish.

All: In the midst of the storm, we will stay within the shelter of the trees.

One: We call upon you, our God.

All: You will save us.

HYMN

Here I am, Lord

#69

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God who is with us, we admit that it does not always feel like that. We confess that often in our day to day lives when the storms arise, we are not aware of your presence. We confess that we become sad and even sometimes angry when you do not make yourself known. Forgive us for our lack of awareness. Forgive us for our impatience. As we come before you in worship remind us of your presence with us and give us supernatural patience. Heal us, transform us, and make yourself known through us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

One: Family, we miss the mark so often in our relationships. We are both sinned against and we ourselves sometimes sin against others, whether on purpose or by accident. God has freed us from any condemnation. 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."** Please also say "Hello" to one another.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kathryn Craven & Laura Foote

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Testament Reading

JoAnn Rush

Romans 12:9-21

SERMON "Awareness: Silence and 'I AM'." Rev. Brett M. Foote

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 3:2-14

HYMN

Open My Eyes that I May See

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OFFERING

Offertory

Alex Sandor

RESPONSE

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.

God, we worship and adore you.

Take what we bring, offered to you.

Teach us to show your abundant blessings.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: Ever present God, we offer all our gifts to you, our lives, our passions and so much more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our mission and vision as the church, as we reach out with our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be generous neighbors. Help us to connect with and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know that they are loved by us and by God. In the name of the Holy Trinity. 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

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. 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 12:9-21

Marks of the True Christian

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, 'Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.' No, 'if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.' Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 3:2-14

There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of a bush; he looked, and the bush was blazing, yet it was not consumed. Then Moses said, 'I must turn aside and look at this great sight, and see why the bush is not burned up.' When the LORD saw that he had turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' And he said, 'Here I am.' Then he said, 'Come no closer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.' He said further, 'I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.' And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Then the LORD said, 'I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed, I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the country of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. The cry of the Israelites has now come to me; I have also seen how the Egyptians oppress them. So come, I will send you to Pharaoh to bring my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt.' But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?' He said, 'I will be with you; and this shall be the sign for you that it is I who sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall worship God on this mountain.'

The Divine Name Revealed

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you", and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, '**I AM WHO I AM.**' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "**I AM** has sent me to you."'

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY 8/30

10:00 a.m. Outdoor Worship
11:30 a.m. Coffee Break (zoom)

MONDAY 8/31

TUESDAY 9/1

WEDNESDAY 9/2

12:00 Staff meeting (Zoom)
4:00 p.m. Deacons (Zoom)
4-6:00 p.m. CSA Pick-up

THURSDAY 9/3

4:30 p.m. CYF meeting (Zoom)

FRIDAY 9/4

Pastor Brett out of the office

SATURDAY 9/5

Pastor Brett out of the office

Birthdays This Week

8/30 Abram Pauna
8/30 Tylor Willoughby
9/3 Laura Schlacks
9/4 Jade Palmer

SPECIAL SPEAKER

On Sunday, September 6th, Cindy Martinson will be preaching in our morning worship service. This service will be online only.

OUT OF OFFICE

Pastor Brett will be out of the office September 4-7

HOTDISH INITIATIVE

The next hotdish will be given out on Sunday, September 9th from 4:30-5:30 at the church.

COMMUNITY DINNER

September 13th will be our next Community Dinner at UPC. This will be carry-out only from 4-5:30p.m. Please drive through and pick up your meal to go. Serving chicken patty on a bun, coleslaw, potato chips and a brownie.

There will be no PW meeting in September.

From the Rising of the Sun 670

(Psalm 113)

From the ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down
of the same, the name of the Lord shall be
praised. From the ris - ing of the sun to the
go - ing down of the same, the name of the Lord shall be
praised. So praise ye the Lord.
Praise ye the Lord. From the
ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same,
the name of the Lord shall be praised.

This paraphrase of Psalm 113:3 concisely represents the psalm beginning the group called the Egyptian Hallel (113–118) used at all major Jewish festivals. One of these may have been what Jesus and his disciples sang at the conclusion of the Last Supper (Matthew 26:30/Mark 14:26).

69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est
made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?
Refrain
Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you
lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

The Trees of the Field

Open My Eyes, That I May See 451

THE WORD

1 O-pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou hast for me.
 2 O-pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou send-est clear.
 3 O-pen my mouth, and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth ev-ery-where.

Place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-clasp and
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear, ev-ery-thing false will
 O - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare love with thy chil-dren

set me free. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy
 dis - ap-pear. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy
 thus to share. Si-lent-ly now I wait for thee, read-y, my God, thy

will to see. O-pen my eyes; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 will to see. O-pen my ears; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 will to see. O-pen my heart; il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!

The first woman to publish a collection of her own anthems, this author / composer has created in this hymn a sung prayer for illumination. It not only asks God to help us understand Scripture but also prays for the strength and courage to make God's love known to others.

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;
 the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -
 fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the
 trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.
 And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;
 the trees of the field will clap their hands;
 the trees of the field will clap their hands
 while you go out with joy.

*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.