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UPBEAT AUGUST 2024

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A CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A)

SPIRITUAL FORMATION: FOR AGES & STAGES

Laura Foote, Director of Spiritual Formation, lmfoote.upc@gmail.com

Hello Church!

What a delight this summer has been! I'm happy for everyone who made their way to Camp Clearwater Forest. In the middle of July, a group of us brought and picked up Ryan, and before that Kirsten and Ella went and had an amazing time! Zach, Karter and Aiden went for the last week in July and have since returned! Check out the photos. :)

It's been a good month of connecting and planning. A few of us went to watch one of Owen's baseball games—if y'all are looking for ways to get to know our youth better, going to cheer them on at a game and/or event is one way! It's a whole lot of fun! I've been planning for the year ahead, and let me tell you we've got some good things in store! Enjoy this summer sun and if you haven't yet already, I hope you get to enjoy a nice swim in the big lake!

With Joy,
Laura



AUGUST MEETINGS

SPIRITUAL FORMATION SMALL GROUPS

Sunday, August 4th at 11:00 AM

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING

Monday, August 5th at 2:00 PM

WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, August 6th at 4:30 PM

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Wednesday, August 7th at 12:30 PM

BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING

Wednesday, August 7th at 2:30 PM

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Thursday, August 8th at 6:00 PM

SPIRITUAL FORMATION COMMITTEE

Sunday, August 11th at 9:00 AM

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, August 12th at 5:00 PM

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, August 14th at 6:15 PM

SESSION MEETING

Thursday, August 15th at 6:15 PM

MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, August 22nd at 4:30 PM

CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP—

Wednesday, August 21st at 1:00 PM

If you have questions, call Luann Tiege at 715-394-3611.

STAFF MEETING— Every other Wednesday 12:00 PM (Zoom)

AA MEETING— Every Tuesday 1:00 PM

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Jane Wester	8/1
Jay Hecht	8/2
Deja Anderson	8/3
Kate Long	8/7
Jackie Pananen	8/9
Sandy LeMieux	8/11
Cliff Pananen	8/13
Mary Voss	8/13
Dorothy Granfors	8/15
Melinda Yingling	8/17
Camryn Shepard	8/23
Judith Evenstad	8/24
Connie Noble	8/25
Nancy Withla	8/26
Eric Rude	8/28
Anna Downs	8/29
Aubrey Krube	8/29
Abram Pauna	8/30
Tyler Willoughby	8/30

CRAFTERS GROUP

The Crafters Group will meet every Wednesday in the Library at 10 AM. Please feel free to come join us with whatever craft project you would like to work on. We will not be doing organized activities, just working on our own crafts and enjoying each other's company. Join us for as long as you would like, whether that be 15 minutes, an hour, or more! Direct any questions to Londa Hatch, at 651-338-4030.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH

Fellowship and Outreach News:

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

August 1st— 5:30p Munch Bunch at Wasabi

August 10th— 6:00p Concert at Lucius Woods Performing Arts Center in Solon Springs

August 31st— 12:00p Progressive Lunch at Amnicon Lake

MISSION



COMMUNITY DINNER

Sunday, August 18th

Menu includes: Chicken Salad, Fruit, Roll, and Sherbert

RUTH HOUSE WISHLIST

Coffee
Sugar
Creamers

JoAnn Rush (218-391-5304) is willing to collect donations from church and deliver them to Ruth House.

THANK YOU!

SALVATION ARMY WISHLIST

Paper towels
Toilet paper

CASDA

Tooth paste
Tooth brushes

SUPERIOR COMMUNITY HEALTH FREE STORE

Canned goods

Thanks to everyone for your continued support.
-Mission Committee

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Floods, tornados, wild fires, hurricanes and earthquakes are all situations that require emergency shelter. Once again PDA bags are needed. Good news, the bags are sewn. Now we need supplies to put in them. The back to school sales are coming up so we can buy the supplies on sale. Thank you!

PDA School Kit Supplies

- 1- Blunt scissors (rounded tip)
- 3- 70 count spiral notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose-leaf or filler paper)
- 30 centimeter ruler (12 inch)
- 1 hand held pencil sharpener
- 6 new pencils with erasers
- 1 large eraser
- 1 box of 24 crayons

Please donate only items on this list as some of the bags may go through customs and the PDA has clearance for the bags filled this way. Thank you.

The next gathering of UPC's Presbyterian Women will be on Wednesday, August 7, 2024 at 9:30 at the church. Hostesses will be Londa Hatch and Kate Long. All women are cordially invited to attend. We will be planning for the annual Roast Beef Dinner scheduled for Wednesday, October 2nd.



MINISTRY OF THE DEACONS

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Ken & Marianne Aker
Fran Brice
Gloria Neuman
Ron & Bev Underdale
Susan Litehiser

SUPERIOR REHAB, Superior, WI

Ken Uvila

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss

VILLA MARINA, Superior, WI

Janice Parish

NEW YORK

The Okash Family—Prayer given by the
Lisak Family



WORSHIP

**WATCH ALL WORSHIP
SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:**

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

LITURGISTS

AUGUST

8/4— Jan Letsos
8/11— Deborah Schlacks
8/18— Vacant
8/25— Vacant

SEPTEMBER

9/1— Vacant
9/8— Vacant
9/15— Vacant
9/22— Vacant
9/29— Vacant

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

The sign up sheets are available at the back of the Narthex. Dates through October of 2024 are posted. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like. Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.

UPBEAT GOING DIGITAL

As part of the communication audit, we're digitizing our UPBeat starting in October. We are still offering paper copies to those who would like them. If you would still like to receive a paper copy reach out to the office via phone call, email, or stop in during office hours by September 16th to sign up. Please contact the office with any questions.

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>

A note from the office, please be diligent in getting the information or articles for the UPBeat to the office by the deadline.

UPBEAT FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

ISSUE DEADLINE: Friday, August 23rd

MAILING: Wednesday, August 28th

THE UPBEAT AUGUST 2024

From the Pastor

UPC,

July was quite restful. I'm not that old (yet!) but I've learned in my life that sometimes it is "work" to intentionally slow down. To not have meetings meant there had to be lots of extra communication between people to ensure church still happened. Thank you to the many committee chairs, members, and staff empowered by the Holy Spirit who make United the beloved community that it is.

Fall is shaping up nicely at UPC, our Seminary intern Jocelyn Langholz is settling into her role here. You've probably noticed her at Volleyball, in worship, working with committees or somewhere else. A reminder from Jocelyn that there is a dedicated spot for 1-2 people from United to join her on a service learning trip to the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, September 20-27. Contact her at jjlangholz.wi@gmail.com if interested.

Our Spiritual Formation Small Group Committee have been hard at work preparing for our Fall Small Groups. This Small Group Bible Study has been requested HEAVILY by y'all over the last two years so we are excited to roll it out. Be on the lookout...it's "for normal people!"

The grant we received to refresh our physical campus has officially been fulfilled with the completion of the parking lot resurfacing. New carpet, accessible egress sidewalks, repainting our bell tower, and resurfacing the parking lot has all been completed over the last few months. Thank you again to the City of Superior!

Speaking of grants, over the last 15 years we've supported Rev. Joshua Heikkila, Mission Co-worker to Ghana & West Africa. This Spring Rev. Heikkila invited a small group of people from UPC to attend the Ghana Mission Network Conference of the PC(USA) in partnership with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ghana and the Presbyterian Church of Ghana in Tema, Ghana this October. The hope in attending is to expand our ministry and partnerships with churches in Ghana. Members of UPC worked hard to write a grant to send a small team and were approved. Look out for more info from the delegation soon!

I spent the last week of July paddling and portaging in the Boundary Waters. Most of the time-out on the water, I spent reading Thomas Merton. I'm letting these words guide me into August as we continue our ministry here in Superior: "Every moment and event of every person's life on earth plants something in their soul. For just as the wind carries thousands of winged seeds, so each moment brings with it germs of spiritual vitality that come to rest imperceptibly in the minds and wills of people." I'm praying each of our seeds will grow.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Brett