

UPBeat

United Presbyterian Church

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UPBEAT FOR AUGUST 2021

<u>Issue Deadline:</u> Friday, July 23rd at 1:00p.m. Mailing: Friday, July 30th

ARE YOU IN NEED OF A FACE MASK?

If you need a face mask and do not have one, many have been made to be distributed by us at the church. Call the church office at 715-392-4751 Monday-Friday from 12-4pm or email Tiffany at unitedpresbyterianchurch.com to get one for you or your entire family, free of charge.

DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION?



Remember to contact the church office whenever there is a change with your mailing address, phone number, email or any other information that you feel should be shared or updated.

Email addresses are useful for contacting the congregation with mid-week cancelations or changes in meetings.

Feel free to leave a note on the secretary's desk, send an e-mail, or call the church office at: 715-392-4751 or

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Mon Sun

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3	10 10 AM Adventure Group @ Barker's Island	17	24	31
2	6	16	23 Pastor out until the 27th 1 PM UPBeat Deadline	30 UPBeat Mailing
1	4 PM F&O Meet @ Spirit Room 6 PM Youth Evenings	15 5:30 PM Billings Park Pot- luck	Pastor out until the 27th 6 PM Youth Evenings	29
	7 4-6 PM CSA Pickup 4-6 Art Pickup	14 4-6 PM CSA Pickup 4-6 Art Pickup	Pastor out until the 27th 4-6 PM CSA Pickup 4-6 Art Pickup	28 4-6 PM CSA Pickup 4-6 Art Pickup
	6 PM Softball	13 6 PM Softball	20 Pastor out until the 27th 6 PM Softball	27 6 PM Softball
	S OFFICE CLOSED 6 PM Elementary Evenings	12	19 Pastor out until the 27th 6 PM Elementary Evenings	26 Pastor out until the 27th
	4 10am Worship (YouTube & In Person)	11 10am Worship (YouTube & In Person) Coffee Break following service 5:00-6:00 pm Hotdish Initiative (Drive Thru)	18 toam Worship (YouTube & In Person) 4-5 pm Community Dinner (Drive thru)	25 10am Worship (YouTube & In Person)

Children, Youth, & Family Ministry

Children can still "attend" Time with Children!

During our recorded worship on YouTube, you will see **Time with Children** with Kathryn!

Contact: Rev. Kathryn Craven, CYF Ministries Director at 660-631-2788 or email

katdianna@yahoo.com, if you would like to attend and need the online meeting link.

Notes from Kathryn

July for CYF

It is summer, and CYF is involved in outdoor programming with the youth and kids. In July the adult packets will be out for you to take home and share during conversation with your friends. But I am going to use this space a little differently this month. I want to humbly request that you spend this summer spreading joy. Do you need it? I do. After this pandemic is over I just can't get enough. I crave it. And it doesn't have to be a big deal. Some moments together laughing because you can. Sending friends something funny that you found. Standing and staring at a body of water and feeling the breeze so that you go home refreshed. Finding joy and spreading it seems both incredibly simple and hugely monumental at the same time, and I don't think it is something that the church has taken into enough consideration over the centuries. Have I told you that I got in trouble at five jobs in a row for laughing too much? You're shocked - I can tell. At this hospital job as staff we have to laugh in order to deal with all the stress. I know that in my life I have to be disciplined about joy and laughter just to get through the darkness. It is a holy discipline. Here's something to start you off, dear ones. May you have much laughter ahead not you these next few months and beyond.

Me yelling at birds in the street to MOVE so they don't die is probably the same feeling God has watching me live my life.

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE?

At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God. If you'd like to donate online to the church, you can do so at the following link:

https://www.upc-superior.com/donate

CONTACTING US

Our phone is on the fritz due to a number of reasons, so if you're attempting to reach us and are struggling to get through, please call again later, or email us. The phone has also been randomly disconnecting, so if we hang up on you, know that we are sorry, and please try again!

Fellowship and Outreach

F&O will not be able to host coffee hour on 4th of July Sunday.

The Congregation is invited to Billings park pavilion 1 for a picnic/ potluck at 5:30 on July 15th. We will provide brats and buns. We switched from sloppy joes because we had extra brats from the community dinner. Please bring own beverages, and if you have a lawn chair that might come in handy since seating may be limited.

We are planning a one day retreat on August 28th at Lake Nebagamon YMCA camp. We will provide some great outdoor activities and campfire meals. More details will be provided soon. All ages are invited.

Thanks for continuing to support the Ruth House and Ronald McDonald house.

Ronald McDonald House Wishlist:

Bottled water

Juice boxes

Heavy duty plates and plastic silverware

Granola bars and individual cereal

Dishwasher soap

Shelf stable meals

Apple sauce cups

Beef or turkey sticks

Pop tarts

PW MEETING

The Presbyterian Women will not be meeting in July.
The next meeting of the Presbyterian Women will be on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 9:30 at the church.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Warren Nelson

SUPERIOR REHAB CENTER, Superior, WI

Vora Lindberg (rehab after hospitalization)

CERENITY, White Bear Lake, MN Randy Axt

BENEDÍCTINE HEALTH CENTER, Duluth, MN
Carol Mead

PHOENIX, AZ

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss

RECOVERING AT HOME

Daryl Granquist

Barb Granquist

IN THE HOSPITAL

Robert Perrault



7/1

Marianne Aker

July BIRTHDAYS

Mananne Aker	// 1
Paul Buckley	7/1
Courtney Dugger	7/2
Beverly Underdale	7/4
Sophia Bergstrom	7/6
Cameron Campbell	7/8
Brenden Tuura	7/9
Wayne Phelps	7/10
Jackie Ranco	7/10
Irene Eskelson	7/11
Gloria Neuman	7/11
John Voss	7/12
Joshua Johnson	7/15
Tyler Kiel	7/15
Ben Petite	7/15
Jan Letsos	7/15
Nick Long	7/17
Kaylee Johnson	7/18
Elsie Hicks	7/19
Nathaniel Fuller	7/21
Ashton Cairns	7/22
Mary Jo Card	7/24
Sue Brittan	7/29
Lorraine Little	7/31



WATCH ALL WORSHIP SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:

July "Hot Dish" Day-Sloppy Joes!

We are serving our meals in a new way for the Summer! This month, drive through and pick up a 'brown bag meal'! For July, we'll be handing out everything you need to just heat and eat a sloppy joe sandwich, along with chips and summer dessert to go with it.

Come by the church parking lot on Sunday, July 11 between 5:00 and 6:00 pm. Drive up and let us know how many you're feeding and we will send you on your way with that many brown bag meals. Mark your calendar-

we'd love to see you and share a meal with you!

If you have any questions, please contact Christy at 218-590-8294 or email at cwillmore.upc@gmail.com.



General Fund				
May Income:	\$13,709.59			
May Operating Expenses:	\$15,974.06			
Decrease in General Fund Balance:	-\$2,264.47			
General Fund Balance 5/31/2021	\$24,679.49			
General Fund Balance 5/31/2021	\$24,679.4			

General fund money is used for operating expenses. Salaries, utilities, supplies, and repairs are examples of operating expenses.

Designated Funds	
Memorial	\$7,921.31
Community Dinner	-\$470.83
Erickson Fund	\$73,758.89
UPC Mission	\$2,256.02
Special Events	\$1,487.85
Pastor Discretionary	\$802.30
Miscellaneous	-\$214.94
Hot Dish	\$1,405.42
Endowment Fund	\$436,980.49
Capital Projects	\$145,000.00
Designated Funds Balance 5/31/2021	\$668,926.51

Designated Funds have specific purposes. Some funds fluctuate monthly, while others change less frequently, depending on projects.



COMMUNITY DINNER July 18th, 2021 FROM 4-5 PM

The drive-up Community Dinners are a great success. Thank you to everyone who helped with cooking, grilling, distributing meals, or directing traffic to make things run as smoothly as possible. UPC wants to assure you that we are following all COVID-19 safety guidelines including gloves and masks being worn by our workers. For the health and safety of everyone during this pandemic, meals will continue to be **Take-Out Only**. The meals are prepared and boxed in the church. You drive up and we'll place the meal in your vehicle. Take home and enjoy! Watch the bulletin for information on the menu.

This meal is free and available for all people From the church and community.

2021 Fund Facts

Last month, we listed and gave brief descriptions of the "funds" at UPC. This month we will focus on the General Fund

The General Fund could be considered the "regular" money, I suppose. These are the dollars that pay for our operating expenses-the cost of just being church and congregation. Here are some examples of these costs:

- •Worship supplies: candles, oil, bulletins, flowers, offering envelopes, music, piano, organ, and bells upkeep, communion supplies, banners, audio and visual equipment, online streaming equipment and software
- •Utilities: water, sewer, gas, recycling, garbage
- •Employee salaries and benefits
- •Office supplies: paper, copy machine rental, computer hardware and software, postage
- •Kitchen supplies: soap, paper towels, dishwasher chemicals
- Phone and internet service
- •Building and property maintenance: repairs, cleaning supplies, pest control, security and fire monitoring

In addition to this representative list of expenses, we also use the General Fund for outreach into our community. We budget each year for missions and fellowship so that we may make a difference in the lives of the people and organizations in our area and beyond.

UPC budgets general fund money to send funds through our Presbytery to mission projects that have local, nationwide

and international impact.

We share food with our congregation and local community through Community Dinner, Hot Dish Initiative, and helping individuals and families in need throughout each month. The Inclusive Care Unit remains open to share with anyone who stops by and needs a hat, sunglasses, a bottle of water, and more.

These are only a few examples of the ways we use the General Fund. You might be able to think of many more! The General Fund is our most basic need; without these funds, we could not exist. So, where do we get money for this fund? It comes from in person, online, and mailed in weekly offerings, regular giving, tithes, and one time undesignated gifts.

Thank you all for your generosity and commitment to our Mission at United Presbyterian Church:

Based in faith, United Presbyterian Church is committed to an outreach of Christian love throughout our congregation, community and the world.

IULY MEETINGS

MEN'S BREAKFAST
Postponed indefinitely.
OFFBEATS - PW EVENING GROUP
Postponed indefinitely.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MEETING
No meetings in July

BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING

No meetings in July

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MEETING

No meetings in July

MISSION COMMITTEE

No meetings in July

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

No meetings in July

SESSION MEETING

No meetings in July

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

No meetings in July FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING

No meetings in July

CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP - Starting in August If you have questions, call Luann Tiege at 715-394-3611.

QUILTERS GROUP - Postponed Indefinitely. STAFF MEETING - No meetings in July

RUTH HOUSE WISH LIST

Deodorants men and women's
Light bulbs
Black garbage bags large
Spray cleaners and wipes
Paper products and plastic silverware
Backpacks
Hamburger and hotdog buns

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

THANK YOU!

Liturgists for July

July 4—Jan Letsos July 11—Sue Olson

July 18—Willem McClellan

July 25—Dustin Anderson

If you have any questions, please contact: Mary Voss, Worship Committee, 218-591-7174



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From the Pastor...

United Presbyterian Family,

Summer! It has come with all kinds of energy. Laura and I's raised beds have been booming with growth, our home is getting painted, we've been able to have more of you all over for fires and dinner, softball has been a joy, and as a church our summer CYF programming has begun, and we've relaxed regulations around worship and Covid several times recently and if you haven't read the last email we sent out with a message from Session I'd like to update you with where we are at. Here is that statement: "Effective immediately, facial coverings are no longer required for fully vaccinated people at UPC worship services and UPC- sponsored activities and in UPC office spaces. Masks are required for those who are not fully vaccinated. However, UPC will not require proof of vaccination. UPC continues to ask youth and staff working with youth to wear masks while indoors since many in this age group are not vaccinated. To protect the unvaccinated, UPC requests but will not require that people wear masks while singing. Social distancing will still be requested until the UPC Session reconsiders this decision in late August. At that time, Session will also consider the possibility of a return to indoor coffee hours." I know it is not fully to how most would like it, but, we continue to learn and grow as we worship our God. It was beautiful to hear your voices in worship again singing praise to God!

Speaking of worship, the month of July you'll notice that worship will be a bit different. There will be a different flow to it as we are partnering with some very talented artists, professors, chaplains, and poets from several different denominations to create our liturgy. There will even be one special conversation based worship service we will be curating. Much of it will be focusing in on relationships. This all goes along with our commitment as a leadership to take the entire month of July to reconnect with one another, to rest, and to rebuild relationships that may have been strained over the pandemic due to isolation. One thing we know for certain about the pandemic is that it caused a lot of isolation amongst our community members. We as a leadership felt so strongly about this that we needed to do something. On top of worship focusing on relationships between our community as well as our relationships with God, the entire church will be having a potluck on July 15, we will be hosting it at Billings Park Pavilion #1 at 5:30 PM. We encourage you to bring a side dish, and be ready to connect with old friends, and get to know the many new faces around United. You and your entire family are invited...your neighbors too.

I'm excited and eager to witness how God uses this month of connection and creativity at UPC and here in the Twin Ports as we intentionally press into where and what God has been leading us towards. I'm also looking forward to celebrating our freedoms in this country with fireworks in our communities on the 4th and gathering together to share conversation, fellowship, and food on the 15th!

Grace & Peace, **Pastor Brett**