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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:

<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 during 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

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 18th, 2023

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 AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT

How Our Hearts With Joy Abound #333

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God who formed us and gave us life and breath, God who is with us for all of our joys and our tears. We praise you that you take our experiences and shape us more and more into the likeness of your son Jesus. Forgive us God, for all the junk that draws us farther away from you and loving our neighbors. Grant that the words of our mouths, the work of our hands, and the meditations of our hearts be worthy and pleasing to you. Amen.

*HYMN Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #366

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Scripture put it simply: neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. That includes sin. Sin will not and cannot do that. Because of Christ's great love in his birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

*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.)

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

RESPONSE O Lord, Our Lord #613

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading Jackie Pananen
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

SERMON "Holding Our Heads Up High: The Story Of God"

Rev. Brett M Foote
Romans 5:1-8

New Testament Reading

*HYMN How Can I Keep From Singing #821

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Alex Sandor

*RESPONSE We Give Thee But Thine Own (vs. 1) #708

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: Spirit who invigorates our lives and sees us through the seasons of our lives, we come before you in worship humbly asking for your blessing. A blessing so that we may be loving neighbors. A blessing so that we might elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized. A blessing so that we might be good friends and companions on the journey. As we give of our time, talents, or treasures, may we be blessed by you! Help us to let others know they are beloved. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, Lake Nebagamon and the rest of the Northland may know your "love that goes into the far country." Amen.

Prayers to be Shared Please email or call 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; 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.

*CLOSING HYMN I've Got Peace Like a River #623

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Alex Sandor

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 6/18

10:00 AM Morning Worship
10:15 AM Children's Church
4 PM Community Dinner

MONDAY 6/19

10 AM—12 PM Piano Lessons
5:30—8 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 6/20

10 AM Pickleball
4—7 PM Piano Lessons
6 PM Softball vs Hope Community—
Field 2

Birthdays This Week

6/18 Angus Macleod
6/18 Scott Willoughby
6/19 Kenneth Aker

WEDNESDAY 6/21

10 AM Pickleball
12 PM Staff Meeting
1 PM Caregiver Conversations
2-6 PM CSA Pickup

THURSDAY 6/22

1 PM UPBeat Deadline
7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 6/23

SATURDAY 6/24

LOOKING AHEAD

June 26-27	Pastor & Laura Out— Working Remote
June 30	UPBeat Mailing

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>

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

I love the Lord, because he has heard
my voice and my supplications.
Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
What shall I return to the Lord
for all his bounty to me?
I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the Lord,
I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people.
Precious in the sight of the Lord
is the death of his faithful ones.
O Lord, I am your servant;
I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.
You have loosed my bonds.
I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice
and call on the name of the Lord.
I will pay my vows to the Lord
in the presence of all his people,
in the courts of the house of the Lord,
in your midst, O Jerusalem.
Praise the Lord!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 5:1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGIST & COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

There are two sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex, one to sign up to host our coffee hours following the service, and one where you can sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship services. These are both great opportunities to get involved with the church!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

Join us for pickleball every **Tuesday** and **Wednesday at 10:00 AM**

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

We are currently accepting: hand sanitizer, toiletry items (toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, chapstick, lotion, floss, deodorant, etc.), and canned/sealed food items that are not expired. Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Thank you!

PLAY BY PLAY BY JAY

UPC wins it 23-12 over Central Assembly! Keaton doubled, Zach scored 2 runs for UPC, and Pastor Brett had some nice hits! Ryan Yingling even got a nice bruise. Thanks to Laura who played music!
We dedicated this game to Coach Jill.
We're looking forward to our next game on June 20th at 58th St Field 2 vs Hope Community!

UPC COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS: HELP DECORATE THE BANNERS!

The UPC Community Garden is going strong, with most of the planting having been completed. To keep the critters out of the containers, we have fences around them, but the fences are almost invisible from a distance. To make them more visible, we're going to hang banners consisting of colorful pennants on them. Here's where we could use everyone's help: we'd like to have folks write their favorite bible verse or other message on the pennants. So please stop by the table at the back after today's service, and write your verse or other message on a pennant. Thanks for your assistance!

COMMUNITY DINNER

Please join us for our free Community Dinner this Sunday, June 18th. Dine in is available from 4-5 PM, then at 5 PM, leftover meals will be packaged up and distributed for anyone who would like to enjoy a hot meal at home instead. We cannot guarantee pick up availability, nor can we distribute pickups any earlier than 5 PM. We will be serving brats, baked beans, potato salad, chips, and chocolate cake.
If you would like to volunteer to help with set up or serving, any and all assistance would be welcomed! Check the sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex for volunteer times.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith. Children's Church takes place in the Youth room, which is next to the Nursery.

OUR SABBATH MONTH & CHURCH WIDE POTLUCK

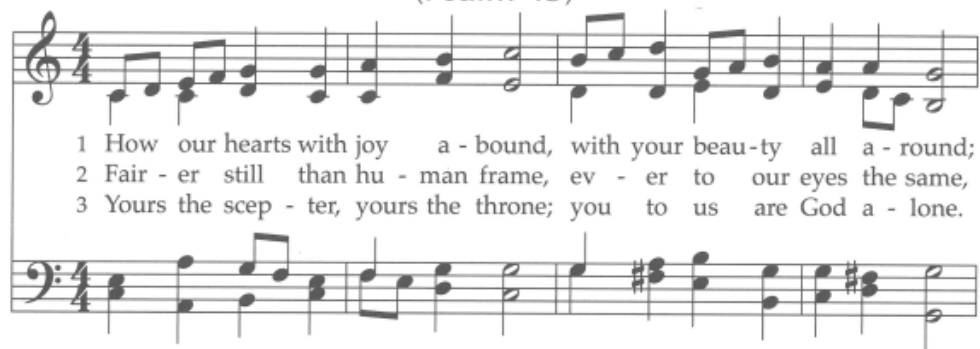
United, we will be taking the month of July off from all committee meetings as a concerted effort to rest as a church. This will culminate with a church wide potluck in Billings Park at Pavilion 1 on Thursday, July 20 at 5:30 PM. Please bring a plate, utensils, and cup as well as a dish or dessert to share. Some food and snacks (as well as backup utensils and plates) will be provided by the church. We will have Cornhole and a few others games to be played as well. We hope to see everyone there. Last years potluck was amazing and we are hoping for a great time again.

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

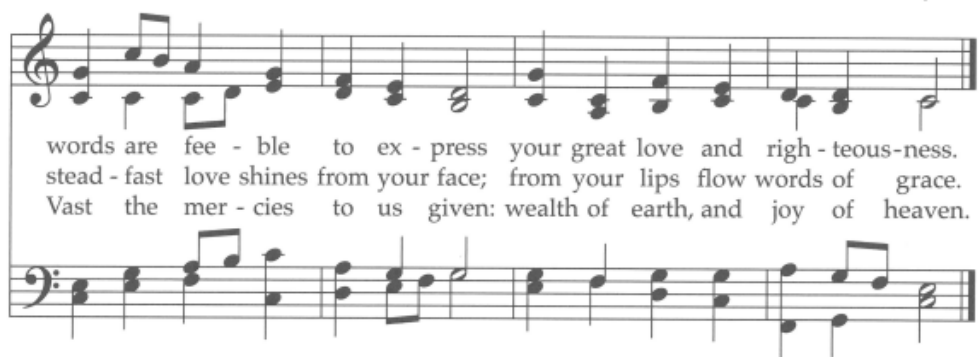
As of Friday, June 16th, Douglas County is at a Low COVID-19 Community Level. At this level, the Session-approved guidelines recommend that our community members stay up to date on vaccinations, mask in spaces with older folks and other potentially immunocompromised individuals, and stay home when sick.

333 How Our Hearts with Joy Abound

(Psalm 45)



1 How our hearts with joy a - bound, with your beau-ty all a - round;
2 Fair - er still than hu - man frame, ev - er to our eyes the same,
3 Yours the scep - ter, yours the throne; you to us are God a - lone.

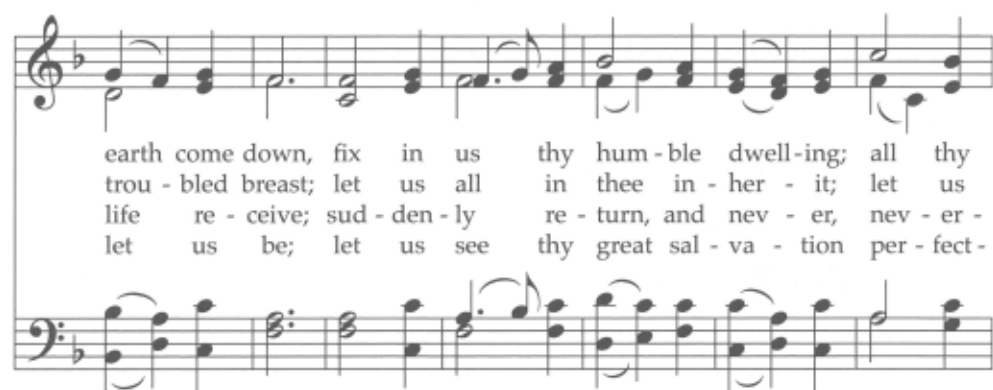


words are fee - ble to ex - press your great love and righ - teous-ness.
stead - fast love shines from your face; from your lips flow words of grace.
Vast the mer - cies to us given: wealth of earth, and joy of heaven.

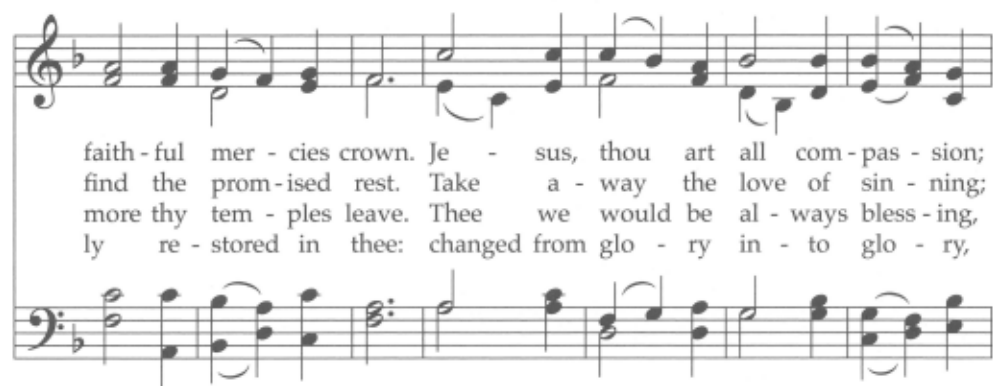
366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less



earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;
find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

613

O Lord, Our Lord How Majestic Is Your Name

O Lord, our Lord, how ma - jes - tic is your name in all the

earth. O earth. O Lord, we praise your name. O

Lord, we mag - ni - fy your name: Prince of Peace, might - y

God; O Lord God Al - might - y.

821

My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep from Singing?

1 My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion.
 2 Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring - ing.
 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav - ior liv - eth.
 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev - er spring-ing!

I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
 It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?
 What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.
 All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain

No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

623

I've Got Peace like a River

1 I've got peace like a riv - er; I've got peace like a
 2 I've got joy like a foun-tain; I've got joy like a
 3 I've got love like an o - cean; I've got love like an

1
 riv - er; I've got peace like a riv - er, in my
 foun-tain; I've got joy like a foun-tain, in my
 o - cean; I've got love like an o - cean, in my

2
 soul. I've got riv - er, in my soul.
 soul. I've got foun-tain, in my soul.
 soul. I've got o - cean, in my soul.