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UPBEAT MARCH 2026

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

SPIRITUAL FORMATION: FOR AGES & STAGES COMMITTEE

Laura Foote, Director of Spiritual Formation, laura.foote@upc-superior.com

Hello Church!

Our Fat Tuesday Feast was fun! Claire and Ellie were our Dutch Blitz champions—you can check out their victory photo below! Our next D&D session is Sunday, March 15th at 4p. Like always, let Brett know ahead of time if you'll be joining.

From June 22-26 we'll be hosting our community Vacation Bible School! You can check out the flyer below with more details. Here are a few ways you can get involved:

1. Spread the word! We'll be sending an email with more information on how to do this later in the month.
2. Sign-up to volunteer! We will need group leaders, station leaders, decoration creators, folks to make and serve dinner, folks to teach and lead songs and folks to help clean up. We have SO many opportunities to get involved. Together we can make this a joy-filled and meaningful experience! If you are interested and want to learn more please come chat with me.

We are now fully in the season of Lent. Pick-up a devotional booklet and come join our Lenten small group on Sundays at 8:45a in the Youth Room.

In Peace,
Laura



Our next Spiritual Formation committee meeting will be on Sunday, March 22 at 8:45a in the Conference Room.

MARCH MEETINGS

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Monday, March 16th at 5:00 PM

MISSION COMMITTEE

Monday, March 16th at 6:01 PM

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Wednesday, March 18th at 5:00 PM

SESSION

Wednesday, March 18th at 5:15 PM

SPIRITUAL FORMATION COMMITTEE

Sunday, March 22nd at 8:45 AM

LEADERSHIP

Sunday, March 22nd at 11:00 AM

STAFF

Wednesday, March 25th at 12:00 PM

AA MEETING

Every Tuesday at 1:00 PM

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Byron Card	3/1
Skylar Rogge	3/1
Peter Schulz	3/1
Ian Schoenike	3/2
David Waite	3/3
Zachary Hecht	3/4
Victoria Schmidt	3/5
Robert Mertz	3/6
Don Jensen	3/7
Jackie VanErt	3/7
Keaton Perkins	3/9
JoAnn Rush	3/9
Owen Schulz	3/9
Emma Buckley	3/11
Grace Johnson	3/12
Jim Willmore	3/12
Alex Ely	3/14
Sherri Rude	3/14
Becky Kirk	3/15
Dolores Larson	3/15
Joel Huenemann	3/17
Melanie Johnson	3/17
Dianne Waite	3/18
Mary Peterson	3/19
Skye Palmer	3/20
Leroy Hanson	3/21
Chloe Rush	3/27
Karen Johnson	3/30

MISSION

DONATION CENTER:

Students are back from Winter break, let's load the free pantry shelves at UWS!

- 1 Pound bags of rice (all varieties)
- Microwave rice, bowls or packages
- All types of canned/pouched protein
- Can openers, because not all canned goods have pop tops!

Please drop off in the appropriate bins at the DONATION CENTER in the narthex.
Questions? Contact Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.

Thank you,
Mission Committee

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 APRIL 2026

ISSUE DEADLINE: Monday, March 23rd

COMMUNITY GARDEN SIGN-UP COMING MARCH 22!

The UPC Community Garden Committee is looking for folks to adopt containers in which to raise vegetables during the 2026 garden season. This community garden consists of raised beds and pots on church grounds, as well as a raised bed at Great Lakes Elementary School. The veggies we grow will be used in UPC Community Dinners and in school lunches. Please consider joining us in helping to address food insecurity in our community! Everything needed to grow the crops will be supplied (seeds, dirt, fertilizer, tools, etc.), and beginners will receive guidance. Look for the sign-up table in the narthex beginning Sunday, March 22. Questions? Contact Deborah Schlacks at desertswan@aol.com or at 218-348-6032.

WORSHIP

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

WATCH WORSHIP ONLINE:

MARCH

3/1—Leviella Borg
3/8—Donna Okash
3/15—Sue Olson
3/22—Vacant
3/29—Vacant

APRIL

4/5—Leviella Borg
4/12—Vacant
4/19—Sue Olson
4/26—Vacant

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

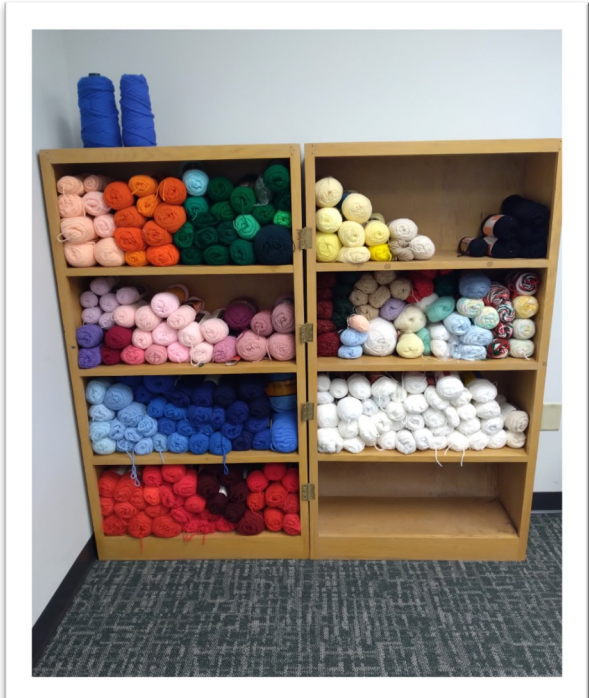
The sign up sheets are available at the back of the narthex. Dates through May of 2026 are posted. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like.

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. If you prefer to work with yarn instead of fabric, the crafting group welcomes you too! We even have a plethora of donated skeins waiting for you to work some magic with!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH

- Pickleball every Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall.
- Volleyball at UPC every Sunday at 6:00 PM.



MINISTRY OF THE DEACONS

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Ken Aker

Fran Brice

Ron & Bev Underdale

Susan Litehiser

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

MIDDLE RIVER, South Range, WI

Gloria Neuman

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Save the date! The rib dinner is coming up next month on Wednesday, April 29, at 4:00 PM. Be on the look out for sign-up sheets.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN GEM STORY

The Presbyterian Women's group is a shining example of faith in action. Through fundraisers like church dinners, rummage sales, and our annual bazaar, PW raises funds that support both local and national mission organizations, as well as ongoing ministries within our church.

Much of this work is done quietly. God doesn't ask us to be flashy—He calls us to serve our neighbors. And that is exactly what PW does: faithfully, humbly, and with joyful hearts.

One favorite highlight? The way our women use their God-given talents to serve. From Susan's homemade bread that keeps guests coming back for seconds (and thirds!) at our dinners, to supporting crafting groups that create beautiful quilts shared with members of our community—love is stitched, baked, and served in so many ways.

PW has helped meet real needs, donating funds for everything from teeth repairs and new shoes to water heaters—stepping in wherever help is needed most.

Another treasured ministry is the **Sunshine Squad**, faithfully sending cards for birthdays, encouragement, sympathy, and celebration. Sometimes over 100 cards go out—reminding our congregation that they are seen, thought of, and deeply loved.

And of course, we can't forget the annual Birthday Offering—where we ask for a penny for every year you are old. "You're 1,000 years old? Wow! Go Presbyterians!" It always brings smiles while supporting meaningful mission work.

PW also helps and supports funeral/celebration of life lunch-ins held at the church.

Everyone is welcome at our monthly meetings for fellowship, planning, and sharing in the joy of spreading care throughout our church and community. Come join us as we continue to let God's love shine—quietly, faithfully, and generously.

THE UPBEAT MARCH 2026

From the Pastor

United Family,

What an incredible month February was. We commissioned two teams to service. One to Asheville/Black Mountain, North Carolina and the other to Accra, Ghana. To be a part of a church that is sending teams out to serve both in the States and abroad while also being deeply invested in the community in which it is planted is incredible and unique. I had the distinction of being a part of that Black Mountain service group which meant that I finally got to serve on a Presbytery disaster service trip with United. It has been a goal of mine since I arrived here to do so. A few things like Covid, bad timing and dates not lining up with church activities got in the way but we overcame. I'm incredibly proud of our work and the work of the Presbytery.

February brought with it the beginning of Lent and lots and lots of snowstorms and deep cold. March has not let up in the snow department. As I write this we just finished our fourth real snowstorm/blizzard of the week. It is hard to imagine Spring and Easter coming but it is. As I think about Easter coming I'm reminded of the old famous church saying that gets thrown around during Holy Week. "Friday is here and its dark and difficult...but Sunday is coming!" Of course that is a reference to Good Friday, the day Christ died overcoming evil and its power in the world and Easter Sunday, the day when Christ resurrected and overcame death and sin. Friends we will once again journey through Holy Week at United Presbyterian Church. It will be extremely special this year.

We will begin on Palm Sunday by waving our palms and welcoming Christ into Jerusalem. We will have an intergenerational play that Sunday, so get ready to act! On Thursday we will celebrate Maundy Thursday, the time where we remember the Last Supper and Christ washing the disciple's feet in the Fellowship Hall over a soup and sandwich potluck. Probably the biggest news is that this year we have the distinct honor of hosting the Churches of Superior Community Good Friday service here in our Sanctuary. It will immediately follow our Scout's Fish Fry in the Fellowship Hall. On Easter Sunday we will wake up bright an early to celebrate Christ's resurrection on the shore's of Lake Superior alongside the churches of Superior. Then back at UPC we will have a free Easter breakfast, an egg hunt and worship to follow. I can't wait to see some of you there as we celebrate this special time in the life of the church.

Does it sound like we are doing a lot collaboratively...? Because there is even more! We are hosting this Summer the Churches' of Superior Community Vacation Bible School. Please see Laura Foote our Spiritual Formation Director or anyone on the Spiritual Formation Committee to sign up and serve for this opportunity. Y'all it is truly the first VBS we've hosted in over 10 years. The excitement is palpable as we see kids running around the church weekly it will be amazing to invest a whole week of our Summer into loving them, supporting them, and sharing about Christ with them.

I pray you all join us with a Hosanna on Palm Sunday with your palms, around a table to celebrate communion with your neighbors on Maundy Thursday, with mourning as we remember Christ's sacrifice on Good Friday and with absolute unabashed joy on Easter Sunday down by the lake or even in our sanctuary. Whenever you swing by to worship, I hope you remember how loved and cared for you are by this congregation and by God!

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Brett



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EASTER PLANTS ORDER FORM

Flowers will be placed at the front of the Sanctuary to create an Easter Resurrection Garden. Be sure to indicate at the bottom of the order form if you plan on picking up your Easter flowers following the service.

PLANTS	Cost Each	How Many	TOTAL \$
Easter Lily	\$15		
Yellow Chrysanthemum	\$25		

Order Deadline
March 22nd, 2026

Total Included

\$

Please circle if the Easter Flower is given *In Memory* or *In Honor* of the person(s) names printed below. This will appear in the Easter Bulletin

In Memory of In Honor of _____

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I would like to pick up the flower(s) after the Easter Sunday Service YES NO

Flower orders may be placed in the offering plate, brought into the office, or sent by mail.



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