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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.

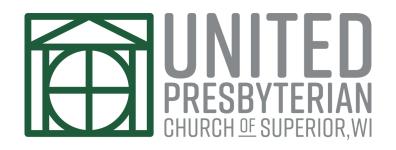
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Online Worship

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 15th, 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 Kum ba Yah #472

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God of truth, we rest in you and your embrace. We humbly ask Three in one that you would be the breath in our lungs. The very ground of our being. God, we don't always choose to live or think in a true, honorable, commendable, pure, pleasing, or excellent way. Forgive us for choosing the wrong way or being misguided. Shape and mold our lives so that we may always do what your son Jesus would do. Come Spirit like a mighty rushing wind in our lives and transform us. In Jesus name we pray, amen.

*HYMN God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending #716

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, we get things wrong regularly. We often miss the mark, work off of bad information, or don't think through things well. We are called by God to think critically, to be patient in our decisions, always seeking humility when we can as we strive to be like Christ. Even when we miss the mark or get things wrong, God still calls us beloved. Nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus. Because of Christ's 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 by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.

*RESPONSE Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (vs 1) #582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS **Old Testament Reading**

Dustin Anderson Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

SERMON "United's Checklist: Whatever Is..." Rev. Brett M Foote **New Testament Reading** Philippians 4:1-9

*HYMN In Christ There Is No East or West #317

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY **Alex Sandor**

*RESPONSE Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #609

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures, high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of our decisions, may we go forward in expectation with you. Bless us as we move forward into the future you have set before us as we care for our neighbors and fellow pilgrims. Bless us so that we might elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized. Bless others as we give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we represent your expansive justice and love. Help us to let others know they are beloved. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that each and every person we meet may witness Christ at work in our lives here in the Twin Ports. Amen.

Prayers to be Shared Please email or call the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (YouTube) **Silent Praver 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 What a Friend We Have in Jesus #465

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE **Alex Sandor**

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

Praise the Lord!

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures for ever.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord,

or declare all his praise?

Happy are those who observe justice,

who do righteousness at all times.

Remember me, O Lord, when you show favour to your people;

help me when you deliver them;

that I may see the prosperity of your chosen ones,

that I may rejoice in the gladness of your nation,

that I may glory in your heritage.

Both we and our ancestors have sinned;

we have committed iniquity, have done wickedly.

They made a calf at Horeb

and worshipped a cast image.

They exchanged the glory of God

for the image of an ox that eats grass.

They forgot God, their Saviour,

who had done great things in Egypt,

wondrous works in the land of Ham,

and awesome deeds by the Red Sea.

Therefore he said he would destroy them—

had not Moses, his chosen one,

stood in the breach before him,

to turn away his wrath from destroying them.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Philippians 4:1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 10/15

8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church

4 PM Community Dinner

6 PM Volleyball 6 PM Boy Scouts

6:30 PM Student Worship at the Table

Birthdays This Week

10/17 Cassandra Fuller

10/17 Hannah Fuller 10/18 Deborah Bergstrom

10/18 Vikki Buckley 10/19 Anna Matthias

10/20 Ed Krube

MONDAY 10/16

6 PM Worship at the Table—Lisak/Schlacks

6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 10/17

1 PM Worship at the Table—Hecht/Wester

4 PM Pickleball

6 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:15 PM Worship at the Table—Bergstrom/Foote

WEDNESDAY 10/18

12 PM Staff Meeting

1 PM Caregiver Conversations

2-6 PM CSĂ Pickup

6:30 PM Worship at the Table—Vosburgh/Schulz

THURSDAY 10/19

10 AM Pickleball

6:15 PM Session Meeting

7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 10/20

Pastor Out—Vacation

SATURDAY 10/21

Pastor Out—Vacation

LOOKING AHEAD

October 23 November 4 **UPBeat Deadline** Fall Fling Bazaar

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

<u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u> <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

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!

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 meet by the round table in the narthex, from there they will go together to the Youth room for Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith. There will be no Children's Church on Sunday, October 22nd.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

Our pickleball schedule is changing! You can now join us **Tuesdays from 4-6 PM** or **Thursdays from 10 AM-12 PM**. We hope to see you there! **Volleyball** will be playing **every Sunday at 6 PM** unless there is an announcement stating otherwise!

October 29th—We will be having a hike at Bear Creek Trail after church! Once we have completed our hike, we will stop for some lunch at Gronks. **November 5th**—Lydia Noble will be holding an Adult Education class following the service.

November 7, 14, 28, and December 5, 12, 19—Chelsea Thompson will be leading a "Boost Your Brain and Memory Program" from 1-2:30 PM. **January 28th**—Birthday Potluck: Sign up sheets will be posted closer to the event.

February 18th—Spud Day: More information to come closer to the event.

BUMP, SET, SPIKE BY JAY

UPC Volleyball kicked off last Sunday! We played several good games, with Kjersten and Ava as our MVPs!

CARD DONATIONS

Susan Litehiser needs cards for her letter ministry. She is most in need of cards with pretty pictures and blank insides, as well as "Thinking of you" cards. Thank you all so much!

SUPERIOR REBUILD FORMS

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance with a large scale or small scale project, such as home repairs or upgrades, Superior Rebuild would like to help! There are forms available at the back of the narthex that can be filled out with details about the work that needs to be done. Once they are filled out, feel free to put them into the offering plate, mailbox, or in the office. You may also scan and email the form to the office if that is convenient for you.

COMMUNITY DINNER

Please join us for our free Community Dinner this Sunday, October 15th. 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 having chili, cornbread muffins, veggies, and apple crisp.

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.

FALL FLING BAZAAR

The next big event for the Presbyterian Women will be the Fall Fling Bazaar on Saturday, November 4th from 9 AM to 1 PM. This is a church wide event so we need everyone's help to make it a success. You can help by providing homemade craft items, baked goods, homemade candy, plants, or gift baskets. We also need help setting up the day before and workers for the day of the bazaar. You can also help by coming to shop and telling your friends.

WELCOME

We welcome Christine Winkler Johnson as she leads the choir both this Sunday and next Sunday while Jane is out of town. Please give her a warm welcome, and thank her for her hard work leading our choir!

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Friday, October 13th, 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.



*Come by here

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716



- 1 God, whose giv ing knows no end ing, from your rich and 2 Skills and time are ours for press ing toward the goals of
- 3 Trea sure, too, you have en trust ed, gain through powers your



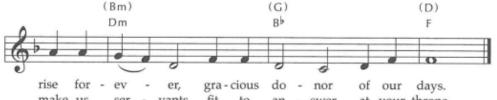
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grave's cross, shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn the church made joined, one. Now di - rect our dai - ly spread gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in



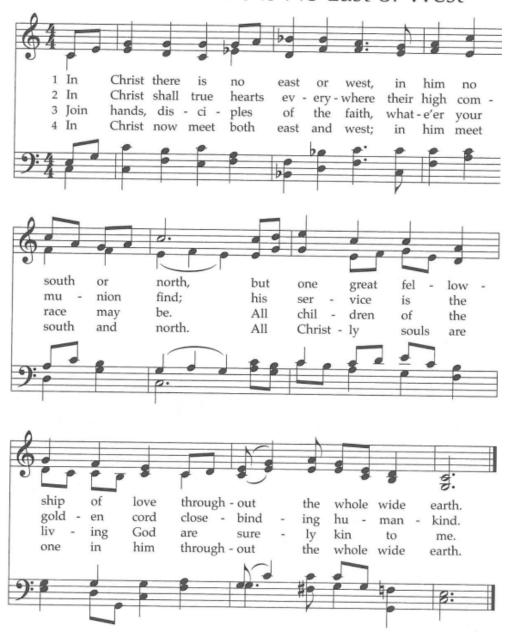
to you, of-fering up our - selves in praise; thank-ful song shall la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents, shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



rise for - ev - er, gra-cious do - nor of our days. make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne. and re - claim - ing, serv-ing you by lov-ing all.

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465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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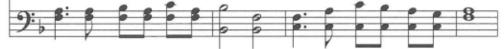


- 1 What a friend we have in Je sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
- 2 Have we tri als and temp-ta-tions? Is there trou-ble an y-where?
- 3 Are we weak and heav-y lad-en, cum-bered with a load of care?





What a priv-i-lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev-er be dis-cour-aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre-cious Sav-ior, still our ref-uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!





O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need-less pain we bear, Can we find a friend so faith-ful who will all our sor-rows share? Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!





all be-cause we do not car - ry ev-ery-thing to God in prayer!

Je - sus knows our ev-ery weak-ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!

In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.



"Finally, United, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in and through scripture as well as through our elders, teachers, fellow congregants, pastors and your neighbors and the God of peace will be with you."

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