

UPBEAT NOVEMBER 2025

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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

United,

What a full and fun fall it has been with lots of memorable moments. One of those moments took place during our Stewardship Dinner on October 12th. The children had their own table in the Youth Room and after we filled their glasses with water we began dishing up their plates—it was then that the kids started to raise their glasses while laughing and saying "Cheers to God!" I didn't snap a photo or catch a video, but often some of the best moments can only be fully captured when we are present in the moment. The joy they had on their faces was beautiful. I am grateful and proud to be a part of a church that nurtures the love of God by way of genuine care, tenderness and joy.

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who helped to make our Trunk-or-Treat happen. It was a sunny Sunday and we had so many folks come out for it! I am immensely grateful for all the care and creativity Melinda put into this event. A huge shout out to both Melinda and Jill for Chairing the Spiritual Formation Committee. These incredible gatherings only happen when we work together!

I'm going to be cruising into November with a very grateful heart and hopefully you will be too. Get ready to hear all about what our children are thankful for during the service on November 2nd.

With Joy, Laura

Our next Spiritual Formation committee meeting will be on Sunday, November 9th at 8:45a in the Youth Room.







NOVEMBER MEETINGS

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, November 1st at 9:00 AM

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH

Monday, November 3rd at 3:30 PM

PRESYBYTERIAN WOMEN

Wednesday, November 5th at 9:30 AM

DEACONS

Wednesday, November 5th at 4:30 PM

SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Sunday, November 9th at 8:45 AM

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, November 10th at 5:00 PM

STAFF

Wednesday, November 12 at 12:00 PM

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Thursday, November 13th at 5:00 PM

MISSION COMMITTEE

Monday, November 17th at 6:01 PM

COMMUNITY VBS PLANNING

Wednesday, November 19th at 5:00 PM

SESSION

Wednesday, November 19th at 5:15 PM

AA MEETING

Every Tuesday at 1:00 PM

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

TBD

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

TBD

STEWARDSHIP

If you are still looking to turn in your pledge cards, you may put them in the offering plate, or turn them into the office at anytime during office hours. The deadline is November 16th. Thank you!

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 DECEMBER 2025

ISSUE DEADLINE: Monday, November 24th

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jonathan Jay Okash	11/1
Adalia Pauna	11/3
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Trace Topping	11/3
Peter Christean	11/4
Kjersten Lisak	11/5
Kathy Nelson	11/5
lan McCumber	11/9
Nathan Anderson	11/10
Kathy Mehr Jensen	11/10
Mary Kay Coone	11/10
Piper Carswell	11/12
Julie Johnson	11/12
Rebecca Olson	11/15
Angel Phillips	11/15
Erica Schulz	11/15
Olivia Pennington	11/16
Dean Hecht	11/17
Serena Lamers-McClellan	11/17
Debra Karvonen	11/18
Tim Schmitt	11/20
Sean Rush	11/20
Beth Lisak	11/22
Lily Quinn	11/22
Joan Haugland	11/26
Daniel Ziebell	11/27

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH

- Pickleball every Tuesday and Thursday
 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall.
- Volleyball at UPC every Sunday at 6:00 PM.
- Munch Bunch is Thursday, November 6th, at 5:30p. Join us for dinner at Superior Ramen House located at 110 E 2nd St, Superior, WI.
- Christmas Concert at UPC by Alex Sandor is November 30th at 3:00 PM. Cookies and coffee to follow.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The monthly gathering of UPC's Presbyterian Women will be held on Wednesday, November 5 at 9:30 at the church. Hostesses will be Dolores Larson and Londa Hatch. All women are cordially invited to attend.

The next PW event will be the Fall Fling Bazaar on Saturday, November 1st. We will need help making this a success also. There will be crafts, homemade baked goods, homemade candy, theme baskets, and whatever other projects people can come up with. Be thinking about how you can help.

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!

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

The 2025 Community Garden is a wrap! We've harvested all the veggies and used some of them in the October Community Dinner. We'll use more in the next one. Many, many thanks to all those who helped in any way with this project this year, ranging from the gardeners, to those who contributed money to the effort, to those who built the fence, and to those who blanched green beans and carrots.

One very special part of the Community Garden is our raised bed over at Great Lakes Elementary School, where many potatoes were grown this year to be used in school lunches. Below are some photos showing the kids harvesting the spuds.

Speaking of fundraising, it is almost time to raise funds for the 2026 garden! We'll again do so via the Seedmoney organization. Seedmoney gives grants to nonprofit community garden groups like ours that raise money via their platform. The fundraising takes place from November 15 to December 15. Watch for bulletin announcements for more details on how to give.







MISSION

DONATION NEWS

The UWS food closet is in desperate need of the following items listed below. These are the items currently out of stock on their shelf due to "popularity". These are the only items we are asking for right now,

- 1 Pound bags of rice
- Pasta
- Ramen packets
- Single serving packets of tuna or chicken

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

Thank you Mission Committee

The next community dinner will be held Sunday, February, 15th at 4:00 PM.

WORSHIP

http://upc-superior.com/youtube WATCH WORSHIP ONLINE:

NOVEMBER	<u>DECEMBER</u>
11/2—Ephraim Nikoi	12/ 7—Vacant
11/9—Kirsten Standen	12/14—Sue Olson
11/16—Dave Larson	12/21—Vacant
11/23—Vacant	12/24–4 pm—Vacant
11/30—Vacant	12/24-9 pm—Vacant
,	12/28—Vacant

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

The sign up sheets are available at the back of the narthex. Dates through January of 2025 are posted. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like.

MINISTRY OF THE DEACONS

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

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

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss

SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL TIPS

 If you need to use road salt on icy surfaces, smart salting practices recommend to scatter with 3" between salt grains. Switch to sand when temperatures drop below 15 degrees Fahrenheit, because the commonly used road salt does not work below that temperature. Road salt compounds and excess sediment can be harmful to the environment.

Info referenced from Superior Municipal Code of Ordinance Sections:

- Sec. 106-10.— Removal of snow and ice generally.
- Sec. 106-11.— Placing of snow on streets, alleys and sidewalks prohibited.

Snow removal questions or concerns? City of Superior Code Compliance (715) 395–7596 or codecompliance@superiorwi.gov

THE UPBEAT NOVEMBER 2025

From the Pastor

UPC,

WHAT. A. MONTH! Sometimes when I take a second to reflect on what has happened, I'm stunned. We've had our celebration dinner where we unveiled our Annual budget for 2026 and our stewardship campaign for '26, we painted pumpkins and served a "church to table" community dinner from our community gardens, we welcomed several new families officially into the church as members, we had a baptism, we had the incredible donation of a zero turn riding lawn mower, our Trunk or Treat went off without a hitch as we welcomed lots of old and new faces in costume, and I'm incredibly thankful as Jill Harnstrom and her expert team finished up caring for the lawn for the season. Please, If you see them, thank them!

Whew. None of the above is by accident. You all, through your time and service create a safe and welcoming church, a church that cares deeply about Christ and neighbor. I give thanks for each one of you.

November is sure to be full with a number of different events. We begin with our All Saints' Worship on Sunday Nov. 2nd and end with the beginning of the church calendar, Advent on November 30. In between all of that we will cut down trees for Advent & Christmas, build fences on the property for the garden, decorate for the season and so much more.

You'll notice a lot of gratitude coming up in our worship services. Often, we spend considerable amounts of time lifting up concerns for our neighbor or our families in worship. We pray for healing, breakthrough, economic relief, safety and more. That's a good thing! I've been convicted though over the past few months that we don't always do a great job giving thanks to God for or celebrating what is going right in our lives or in the life of the world. If you allow me to sound probably far too theological for a moment: Praise of God is just as much a part of worship as is our petitions for God to change our circumstances. Get ready to give thanks this November as we flex our gratitude muscles.

As a reminder there are a couple of informational meetings coming up. The first is about our Presbytery wide service trip to Asheville, NC from Feb. 7-14 on November 2 after worship with our General Presbyter & Mission Coordinator, Rev. Rich Blood. On November 9, following the service there will be another information meeting about our community service and learning trip to Ghana led by Drs. Acacia & Ephraim Nikoi in March. Spots for both trips are limited so be sure to indicate your interest as soon as possible.

Friends, church is a whole adventure. I give thanks to God that we get to serve Christ in Superior & the Twin Ports. Be on the lookout for ways in which we can respond as Christ would, to the needs in our community as they appear.

Grace & Peace, Pastor Brett

P.S. If you want to get your hands dirty, Sunday, November 2 come and fill ruts at the church with Jill & the Scouts at 12:00 p.m.