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

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old.

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 for Children's Church.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the worship service. Share a request in the comments section. Additionally, the Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Dorothy Burriss 817-715-0968 (macb.dlb@sbcglobal.net) or Dean Hecht at 715-919-1325.

RIDE SHARE

Need a ride? Please check the bulletin board by the fire extinguisher in the narthex.

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Online Worship

Fifth Sunday In Eastertide

May 3rd, 2026

10:00 AM

If you're 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

***CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT** Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! #248

***PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: Loving God, You have graciously shown us how to live in and through Your Son..

All: We give You thanks for Christ and the example of His faithful life.

One: So light a fire in our souls.

All: Fan the flames of our lives Holy God, move in us and make us more like You!

One: Forgive each of us for those times where we don't bear the fruit You have called us too.

All: Forgive us Holy God, for those times we come up short: With our neighbors, friends, families, and partners.

One: Move in our lives. May we be wholly like You! In Christ's name through the power of the Spirit...

All: Amen!

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: When the tree is struggling to bear fruit it doesn't need punishment...

All: It needs tender and intentional care.

One: There are times when our crop will come up short and yet...

All: God's mercy and grace are lavish. Whether a peck or a truckload of fruit...

One: God, in and through Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection has proclaimed...

All: We are forgiven! Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Erin Anderson

***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** Be Not Afraid (3x) #243

SCRIPTURE READINGS Ryan

Old Testament Joel 2:28-29

New Testament Galatians 5:16-26

Sermon "FruitFULL Faith"

Erin Anderson

LIGHT THE FIRE See Insert

***CONFESSION OF BELHAR (Abridged by Pastor Brett)**

One: Let us affirm our faith together using this confession.

All: We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. This unity between people and God must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted; We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION Kirsten Standen

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE** We Give Thee but Thine Own (vs. 1) Alex Sandor #708

***PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of the orchard, You bear fruit in our lives, apart from You we cannot do Your work. Thank You for Your Son's resurrection and the resurrection we witness daily. May we always reach out to our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever they are from, with care. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures as we serve the Superior community. We give You thanks for all of these gifts and what they mean for the kingdom of God. Send Your Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for this congregation, Superior community, and world. We give You thanks for God's "Yes" in Christ towards all humanity! Amen.

CHANCEL CHOIR

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God most High.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: For You, living God, the valleys laugh and sing and the trees of the field clap their hands. Your earth summons us to break silence and be one with the song of creation.

All: We give You thanks and praise for the resurrection.

One: For You, God of all, especially today, the church in its myriad forms and countless languages honors its resurrected Savior. Millions upon millions invite us to be one with them in the drama of worship that brings life and life abundant.

All: We give You thanks and praise for that resurrection truth.

One: In heaven, beyond our seeing, the saints and angels are caught up in song. And those we have loved and lost are part of the great company. They call us to be one with the harmony of heaven.

All: We give You thanks and praise for the grace of new life.

One: So gladly we join our voices to those of earth, lake, and sky, in the universal hymn of praise which echoes through time and eternity beyond death into new life.

***COMMUNION HYMN Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ #526**

LORD'S PRAYER (Here's our suggested version, but feel free to pray the version you are most familiar with.)

One: Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Sharing the Bread and Cup

You are invited to participate in this sacrament regardless of age, church affiliation, or location. Here at the church we invite you to come forward in two lines, row by row, down the middle of the sanctuary to receive the elements. Return to your seat via the side aisles. Please raise your hand in your seat if you would like to receive the elements without leaving it. We will come around and offer them to you.

PRAYER FOR AFTER WE'VE BEEN FED

One: O Friend, O Brother Jesus, we have been guests at your table; come with us wherever we go and be present in all we share.

All: Summon out in us, whom you have fed, generosity of spirit to ensure that all the hungry are nourished and earth's barren places are fertile with food, faith, hope, and love. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CLOSING HYMN You Shall Go Out with Joy (2x)**

#80

***BENEDICTION & POSTLUDE**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT

Joel 2:28-29

2:28 Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. **29** Even on the male and female slaves, in those days I will pour out my spirit.

NEW TESTAMENT

Galatians 5:16-26

5:16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. **17** For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. **18** But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. **19** Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, **20** idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, **21** envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. **22** By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, **23** gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. **24** And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. **25** If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. **26** Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 5/3

8:45 AM Chancel Choir
Coffee Hour—After Worship
6:00 PM Volleyball

MONDAY 5/4

2:30 PM Piano Lessons
3:30 PM Fellowship & Outreach
4:45 PM Worship Committee

TUESDAY 5/5

10:00 AM Pickleball
1:00 PM AA Meeting
5:00 PM Bell Choir

WEDNESDAY 5/6

9:30 AM PW Meeting
10:00 AM Crafters Group
12:00 PM Staff Meeting
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up
4:00 PM Piano Lessons
4:30 PM Deacons Meeting
6:00 PM Book Club

THURSDAY 5/7

10:00 AM Pickleball
3:30 PM Piano Lessons
5:30 PM Munch Bunch @ Eddie's

FRIDAY 5/8

Pastor Out of Office—Vacation
4:00 PM Antoine Rehearsal

SATURDAY 5/9

Pastor Out of Office—Vacation
9:30 AM Beach Clean-up
4:00 PM Antoine Wedding

Birthdays This Week

5/5—Dave Larson
5/7—Cathy Hecht
5/7—Stormy Walker
5/8—Josiah Brady-Kopnick
5/9—Annika Nikoi

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BEACH CLEAN-UP

Our beach clean up at Wisconsin Point (lot #1) has been rescheduled to Saturday, May 9 at 9:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join! There will be a fire and snacks. Questions? Contact Karen Johnson at 715-817-4673.

COMMUNITY GARDEN KICK-OFF COMING MAY 17!

The 2026 UPC Community Garden Kick-Off will be on Sunday, May 17, after church. We'll have a salad potluck for the entire congregation. Please sign up to bring a salad or dessert. It will be fun!

RUMMAGE SALE

Mark your calendar! Friday, May 29, from 3–6 PM, and Saturday, May 30, from 9 AM–Noon, is this year's rummage sale. As you spring clean, save your stuff for the rummage sale. Please don't bring items to the church until the week of the sale.

RIBS FOR SALE

We have ribs available for purchase before and after worship today! Small containers are \$7 and large containers are \$20. Contact Cathy Hecht at 863-944-5003 with any questions.

Light the Fire

I stand to praise you But I fall to my knees My spirit is willing But my flesh is so weak

Chorus: So light the fire In my soul Fan the flame Make me whole Lord you know Where I've been So light the fire, in my heart again

I feel Your arms around me As the power of your healing begins Your spirit flows right through me Like a mighty rushing wind

Chorus: So light the fire In my soul Fan the flame Make me whole Lord you know Where I've been So light the fire, in my heart again

So light the fire, in my heart again

WAYS TO SERVE

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United!

**Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.*

- Coffee Hour*—Make coffee and bring treats for everyone.
- Liturgist*—Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings and our call to worship.
- Crafters Group—Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the crafting room inside the Fellowship Hall. Contact the office to learn more.
- Community Dinner—Volunteer for our next dinner in June. To learn more, contact the office or Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.
- Nursery—Come spend time with our babies and toddlers in the nursery during the Sunday service! Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign up. *A background check is required.*
- Children's Church—Come support our young ones as they grow in their faith! Children's Church takes place during the Sunday service. Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign up. *A background check is required.*
- Technology/AV Desk—Volunteer to run the AV on a rotating, weekly, or monthly basis. Training will be provided! Questions? Contact Mac Burriss 304-890-2375.
- Vacation Bible School—We are hosting a free vacation bible school June 22-26 for kids going into K-5th grade. It goes from 4:45-7:00p. See the flyer in the narthex for more details. Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com with any questions.

WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall at UPC. All are welcome!
- Volleyball—Every Sunday at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at UPC.
- Men's Breakfast—First Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM at Superior Family Restaurant. June 6 is the next breakfast. Questions? Contact Tom Lisak at 218-348-5390.
- Women's Breakfast—First Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM at Superior Waffles. June 6 is the next breakfast. Contact Dorothy Burriss at 817-715-0968 with any questions.
- Presbyterian Women—Meet the first Wednesday of every month (except January, February, and July) at 9:30 AM. December and June meetings are lunches at 12:30 PM. To learn more, contact Bonnie Wallin at 715-392-7029.
- Munch Bunch—May 7 at 5:30 PM. Join us for dinner at Eddie's, located at 5221 E 4th St in Superior.
- Walking Group— As of April 22, the inside walking group is discontinued until fall/winter. Reminder: any church member can walk in the church during open church hours unless the church is being used.
- Hike Millenium Trail—May 17 at 12:30 PM. We'll meet in the lot by the dog park. Contact Karen Johnson at 715-817-4673 with any questions.

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

Be Not Afraid 243

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris - en, al - le - lu - ia!

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris - en, al - le - lu - ia!

526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ



1 Let us tal - ents and tongues em - ploy, reach - ing out with a
 2 Christ is a - ble to make us one; at the ta - ble he
 3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a



shout of joy: bread is bro - ken; the wine is poured;
 sets the tone, teach - ing peo - ple to live to bless,
 world of doubt, gives us love to tell, bread to share:

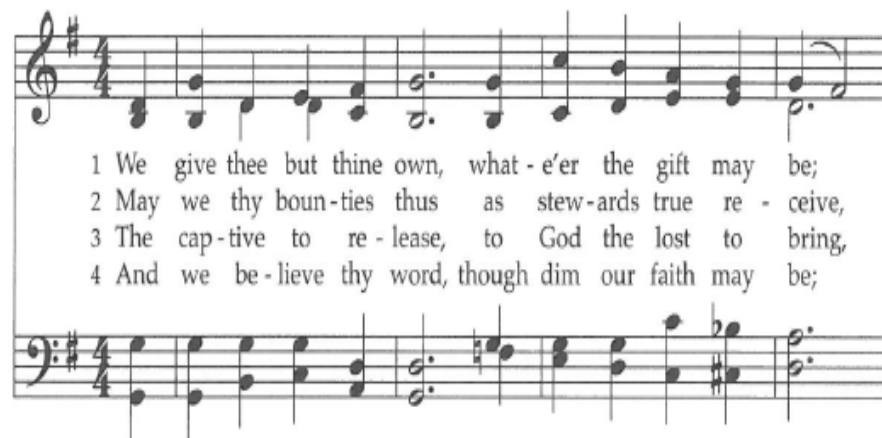


Christ is spo - ken and seen and heard.
 love in word and in deed ex - press. Je - sus lives a - gain;
 God (Im - man - u - el) ev - ery - where!

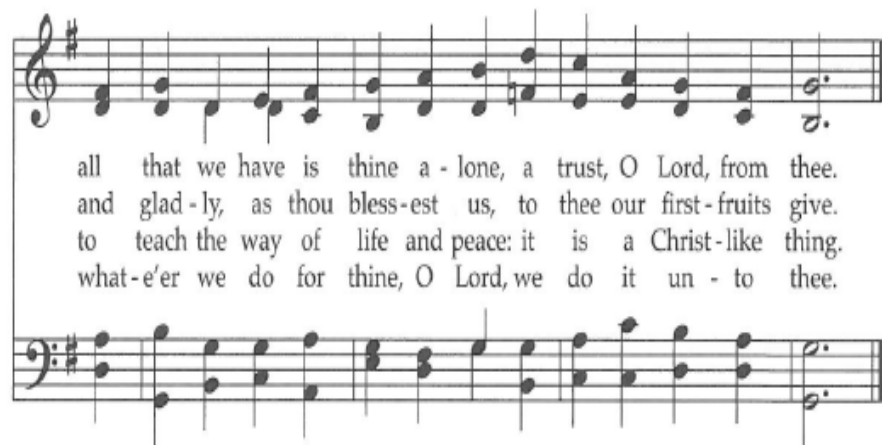


earth can breathe a - gain; pass the Word a - round: loaves a - bound!

We Give Thee but Thine Own 708



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;




all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
 to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em



You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D



the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -

B N.C. Em B7 Em



fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em



trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D



And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G



the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D



the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em



while you go out with joy.

*Clap hands.