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If you'd like to join virtually, please connect with the following link:
<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>
 (If you are here in person we offer hearing assistance devices-see technology desk.)

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

Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 16th, 2025

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 Vivian Markley

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT Now Thank We All Our God #643

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray...

All: Humble God, we praise You for all the ways You work in secret! From forming us, to healing us, and making a way for us when there is no way, we give You thanks!

One: Forgive us, humble One, for sometimes being real noisy.

All: Forgive us for not living lives of contentment.

One: Move in us so that we would go about our work serving You and our neighbor in humility and peace.

All: We trust in You to work in secret. May we do so as well. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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 We Are One in Christ Jesus #322

CHANCEL CHOIR

SCRIPTURE READINGS Dave Larson

Old Testament Isaiah 12

Sermon Don't Tell Anyone!: Ministry In The Image of Christ
Rev. Brett M. Foote

New Testament 2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

*HYMN Called as Partners in Christ's Service #761

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Vivian Markley

*RESPONSE Give Thanks #647

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of all humility, may we humbly serve You and our communities. Transform us. 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. May we live Your expansive love. 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. May we live Your "YES!" towards all people. Amen.

TIME OF PRAYER

SHARING PRAISES & BURDENS

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

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

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 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness #657

*BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE Vivian Markley

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 Community Dinner the third Sunday in October, February, June, and August. 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! You will serve with a Nursery Coordinator once or twice a month (your choice). 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 during Children's Church! This takes place during the Sunday service. You can volunteer once or twice a month (your choice). 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.
- Hotdish Initiative—We're looking for volunteers to help distribute meals to individuals and families in need. If you're looking to help out or learn more, contact Jane Wester at 218-591-7633.
- Christmas Baskets—We're accepting donations for household items. To learn more about what's needed, contact Dawn Long (218-590-9376) or Dorothy Burriss (817-715-0968). Thank you for your generosity and support!

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. Questions? Contact Tom Lisak at 218-348-5390.
- 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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 12

12:1 You will say on that day: "I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me. **2** Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and will not be afraid, for the Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation." **3** With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. **4** And you will say on that day: "Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. **5** Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth. **6** Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

NEW TESTAMENT

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13

3:6 Now we command you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from every brother or sister living irresponsibly and not according to the tradition that they received from us. **7** For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not irresponsible when we were with you, **8** and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day so that we might not burden any of you. **9** This was not because we do not have that right but in order to give you an example to imitate. **10** For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: anyone unwilling to work should not eat. **11** For we hear that some of you are living irresponsibly, mere busybodies, not doing any work. **12** Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. **13** Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEDGE CARDS

If you are still looking to turn in your pledge cards, you may put them in the offering plate. The deadline is today. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Next Sunday, November 23 after the service, we invite all willing hands to stay and help decorate the church for the seasons of Advent & Christmas. Whether you can stay for a few minutes or a little longer, your help is greatly appreciated!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us for music and celebration as pianist Alex Sandor presents a special Christmas concert in the church sanctuary on November 30 at 3:00 PM. There will be coffee and cookies to follow.

SUPERIOR COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Next Sunday, November 23 is the Community Thanksgiving Service, hosted by Pilgrim Lutheran Church at 820 Belknap Street, Superior, WI. The service begins at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to join.

SHOE DRIVE

Pilgrim Lutheran Church is holding a shoe drive to help fund their monthly Sunday night community meals. Shoes can be tied together or secured with rubber bands and placed in the bin in the narthex. Drop off any time—and please tell your friends, neighbors, and coworkers. Anyone who wears shoes can help!

2026 UPC COMMUNITY GARDEN FUNDRAISING HAS BEGUN!

Fundraising for the 2026 UPC Community Garden started yesterday and will continue until December 16. Help us raise money for seeds, dirt, supplies, and more through Seedmoney.org! This organization awards grants to nonprofit community garden projects like ours that use its platform for fundraising. Visit <https://donate.seedmoney.org/12547/united-presbyterian-church-community-garden> to make your donation, or stop by the table in the narthex after the service for assistance in doing so.

CAMINO SHARING

Join Brett and Laura in the Youth Room on November 19 at 6:50 PM as they share stories and reflections from their incredible journey along the Camino de Santiago in Spain. All are welcome!

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 11/16

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

TUESDAY 11/18

10:00 AM Pickleball
1:00 PM AA Meeting
5:00 PM Bell Choir
6:00 PM SF Small Group

THURSDAY 11/20

10:00 AM Pickleball
3:30 PM Piano Lessons
4:00 PM Kickstarters Soccer

SATURDAY 11/22

9:00 AM Costume Jewelry Sale
11:00 AM Pampered Chef Bingo

MONDAY 11/17

12:30 PM SF Small Group
2:30 PM Piano Lessons
6:01 PM Mission Committee

WEDNESDAY 11/19

10:00 AM Crafters Group
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up
4:00 PM Piano Lessons
5:00 PM Community VBS Planning
5:15 PM Session Meeting
6:00 PM SF Small Group
6:50 PM Camino Sharing

FRIDAY 11/21

Birthdays This Week

11/16—Olivia Pennington
11/17—Dean Hecht
11/17—Serena Lamers-McClellan
11/18—Debra Karvonen
11/20—Sean Rush
11/20—Tim Schmitt
11/22—Beth Lisak
11/22—Lily Quinn

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>

643 Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:

who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

322 We Are One in Christ Jesus

Somos uno en Cristo

We are one in Christ Jesus, all one body, all one
So-mos u-no en Cris-to, so-mos u-no, so-mos

spirit, all together. together. We share one
u-no, u-no so-lo. so-lo. Un so-lo

God, one mighty Lord, one abiding faith, one binding
Dios, un so-lo Se-ñor, u-na so-la fe, un so-lo a-

love, one single baptism, one Holy Comforter,
mor, un so-lo bau-tis-mo, un so-lo Es-pí-ri-tu,

the Holy Spirit, uniting all.
y é-se es el Con-so-la-dor.

Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life



we re-spond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.
help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho - sen end.
blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth - er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold.
bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
mes - sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.



647 Give Thanks



Give thanks with a grate-ful heart; give thanks to the Ho-ly One;



give thanks be-cause we're giv-en Je-sus Christ, the Son. Give



Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the



poor say, "We are rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for



us!" And us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.



657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

(Psalm 147)



Sing to God, with joy and glad - ness, hymns and



psalms of grat - i - tude; with the voice of praise



dis - cov - er that to wor - ship God is good.



1 God u - nites the scat - tered peo - ple, gath - ers
 2 Such is God's great power and wis - dom, none can
 3 God with clouds the sky has cur - tained, thus en -
 4 God's dis - cern - ment nev - er fa - vors strength or



those who wan - dered far, heals the hurt and bro - ken
 cal - cu - late or tell; keen is God to ground the
 sur - ing rain shall fall; earth, re - spond - ing, grows to
 speed to lift or move; God de - lights in those who



spir - its, tend - ing ev - ery wound and scar.
 wick - ed and with hum - ble folk to dwell.
 or - der food for crea - tures great and small.
 wor - ship, trust - ing in God's stead - fast love.