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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 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.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 (jan_KB9LTA@yahoo.com) or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

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Online Worship

Easter Sunday

March 31st, 2024

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT Be Not Afraid (3x) #243

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us Pray. He is risen?

All: He is risen indeed! God of life, you go before us. You have already been through what we will go through. You experience the joy and sorrows of this world and our lives, too. There is nothing which we will experience that you haven't already. Forgive us the times when we think you're out of touch. Forgive us when we believe that no one, including you, O God, understands what we are going through. Heal us. Shape and form us. Renew us in and through the power of your resurrection. In Christ's precious name we pray, amen

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, when we come to confession and pardon in each service I'm often struck by the brokenness in the world and the sin and brokenness in my life, maybe you are too? Then I'm struck by the words of Scripture that Jesus goes "ahead of" us. That means, Jesus has already encountered any brokenness and sin we experience. That means that no matter what, Jesus' sacrifice covers and overcomes any brokenness in our lives. Know that today because of Christ's birth, life, death, and especially his 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!"

*RESPONSE O Lord, Our Lord #613

Children are invited to gather by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.

SCRIPTURE READING Christy Willmore

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 25:6-9

CHANCEL CHOIR Acclamation of Easter

SERMON Jesus Goes Before You: Resurrection
Rev. Brett M Foote

New Testament Reading Mark 16: 1-8

*HYMN

The Day of Resurrection

#233

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

HAND BELL ENSEMBLE Jesus Christ is Risen Today

*OFFERING HYMN

#607

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures, here below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who goes before us and brings life in the midst of death, thank you for the gifts of love and sacrifice before us. Thank you for making yourself known to us and healing us in Jesus! Help us to elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized or hurt by society. Help us to give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we model your expansive justice and love. Send your powerful Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for Superior and the rest of the Northland. We want others to know your "love that goes into the far country." Amen.

Prayers to Be Shared- Please email or call the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section on YouTube.

Silent Prayer

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

Thine Is the Glory

#238

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY GARDEN SIGN UP TODAY

Sign-up for the UPC Community Garden continues today. The mission of this project (now in its third year) is to address food insecurity in the Twin Ports, in keeping with Jesus's words in Matthew 25:35a: "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." All gardening containers have been adopted (hooray!), but there are other opportunities to help get the garden under way this season. Please consider signing up to assist with any or all of the following tasks (likely in mid- to late April or so, depending on the weather):

- taking down existing fences
- building new fences
- making a walking path through the large Great Lakes raised bed

Stop by the sign-up table after the service. Questions: Contact Deborah at 218-348-6032 or desertswan@aol.com. Many thanks to all those who have signed up to be gardeners and to help out in other ways!

CRAFTERS GROUP

Please join us in the craft room every Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to come and work on our quilting projects, or bring your own. Come for the fellowship!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 25: 6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the covering that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "See, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

SCRIPTURE READINGS

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 16: 1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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>

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GET INVOLVED

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United! Two great ways that are available year-round are to sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship, or to host a coffee hour following the service. There are sign up sheets available at the back of the Narthex under the calendar!

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.

SECOND SUNDAY STUDENT DINNER

On Sunday, April 14th, middle and high school students are invited to our Second Sunday Student Dinner! The dinner will take place at the Nikoi's home at 6:30p. This month it will be a game night! Come ready to fill your belly and have a fun time together! If you have any questions, reach out to Laura after the service or by emailing lmfoote.upc@gmail.com.

CAMP SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 5th the Spiritual Formation Committee will be hosting a camp-themed Coffee Hour. The goal is to share about the positive influence of camp and raise funds to send students to camp this summer!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

You can join us for pickleball **Tuesdays or Thursdays from 10 AM-12 PM**. We hope to see you there!

Volleyball will be **every Sunday at 6 PM** except April 7th and May 5th. Those dates will start at **12 PM**. No volleyball today, Happy Easter!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH ADVENTURE GROUP

Come hike the Millenium Trail April 14th at 12:00 PM followed by lunch at 1:00 PM @ Boulder Tap House. All are welcome! If you have any questions contact Debbie Bergstrom 218-269-4679.

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Friday, March 29th, 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.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 3/31

6:40 AM Easter Sunrise Service
8:30 AM Easter Brunch
9:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
9:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 AM Morning Worship
10:15 AM Children's Church

MONDAY 4/1

Office Closed
2:00 PM Fellowship & Outreach
6:15 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 4/2

10:00 AM Pickleball
4:30 PM Worship Committee
6:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY 4/3

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

THURSDAY 4/4

10:00 AM Pickleball

FRIDAY 4/5

SATURDAY 4/6

Birthdays This Week

4/2	Anita Anderson
4/2	Emmett Long
4/5	Kathy Kadleck
4/6	Susan Litehiser

LOOKING AHEAD

April 14th- Hike the Millenium @ 12PM

233 The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

613 O Lord, Our Lord How Majestic Is Your Name

O Lord, our Lord, how ma - jes - tic is your name in all the

1 earth. O earth. O Lord, we praise your name. O
 2

Lord, we mag - ni - fy your name: Prince of Peace, might - y

God; O Lord God Al - might - y.

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son; end - less is
2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave-clothes
hymns of tri-umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death-less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

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

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