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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.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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Online Worship

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1st, 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**

Lord, Who May Dwell Within Your House #419

***PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: Let us pray.

All: God who calls us all, we thank you for your life giving love that inspires each of us. We give you thanks for the ability to change our minds. Forgive us God when we merely pay lip service to you. Forgive us when we put on holy facades. Help us to actually live like Christ, to say yes to our calling and then go do it! Shape and heal us in your tender mercy. Amen.

***HYMN** Come Sing to God #805

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: You are not your worst day. You are not the times where you've missed the mark. Put simply: You are not the sum of your mistakes. You will get it wrong. I will get it wrong. We will all get it wrong. That doesn't make us "bad", more so just rough around the edges. Praise God, that God is renewing us like the water falls over Big Manitou Falls and has carved a river. Remember today, 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

Exodus 17:1-7

SERMON "Priests That Cuss A Little & Tax Collectors: Just Be Faithful"

Rev. Brett M Foote

Matthew 21:23, 28-32

New Testament Reading

***APOSTLES CREED**

One: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 who goes out to the byways, may we serve you wholly and fully. Bless us so that we may be a blessing to 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 Superior, Duluth, and Carlton may know your "love that goes into the far country." Amen.

Invitation to Holy Communion

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

Remember Me

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: Praise to You, O God, for all of Your works.

You created the world and called it good
and made us in Your image to live together in love.

You made a covenant with us,
and even when we turned from You,

You remained ever faithful.

You taught Your disciples to pray by saying...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Sharing the Bread and Cup

You are invited to participate in this sacrament regardless of age, church affiliation, or location. We invite you to use what elements you have near you at home, preferably bread and grape juice. Please do not let having those specific items preclude you from participating in this sacrament. Please use what is available. At home we invite you to serve one another or yourself using the words "The Bread of Heaven" for the bread and "The Cup of Salvation" for the juice in whatever form they take after the pastor has spoken the words of institution. 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 OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us give thanks.

All: With this bread of life and cup of salvation, O God, You have brought us into Christ's presence, united us with Him, and bound us to each other. Now send us out, empowered by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be Your light and love in the world. Amen.

Prayers to be Shared Please email or call the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section. (YouTube)

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

***CLOSING HYMN**

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

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***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Alex Sandor

THE LORD'S SUPPER is open to all Christians. Celebrating the Eucharist is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in curiosity, faith, repentance, and love. In preparing to be brought into the presence of Christ in this Sacrament, the person confesses sin and brokenness, seeks reconciliation with God and neighbor, and trusts in Jesus Christ for cleansing and renewal. Even one who doubts, or whose trust is wavering, comes to the Table to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, 'Give us water to drink.' Moses said to them, 'Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?' But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, 'Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?' So Moses cried out to the Lord, 'What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.' The Lord said to Moses, 'Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.' Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the Lord, saying, 'Is the Lord among us or not?'

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 21:23, 28-32

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?'

'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.'

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 10/1

- 8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 AM Morning Worship
- 10:15 AM Children's Church
- 6 PM Boy Scouts
- 6:30 PM Student Worship at the Table

Birthdays This Week

- 10/1 Carsen Johnson
- 10/1 Abby Willmore
- 10/3 Jeff Skoraczewski
- 10/4 Cierra Kiel
- 10/4 Nathan Peterson
- 10/6 Pat Johnson

MONDAY 10/2

- 4 PM Fellowship & Outreach
- 6 PM Worship at the Table—Lisak/Schlacks
- 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 10/3

- 1 PM Worship at the Table—Hecht/Wester
- 4 PM Pickleball
- 4:30 PM Worship Committee
- 6 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:15 PM Worship at the Table—Bergstrom/Foote

WEDNESDAY 10/4

- 9:30 AM PW Meeting
- 12 PM Staff Meeting
- 2-6 PM CSA Pickup
- 4 PM Deacon Meeting
- 6 PM Book Club
- 6:30 PM Worship at the Table—Vosburgh/Schulz

THURSDAY 10/5

- 10 AM Pickleball
- 7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 10/6

SATURDAY 10/7

- 5 PM 25th Anniversary Party—Barkers Island Inn
- 6 PM AA Speaker Meeting

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>

LOOKING AHEAD

- October 15 Community Dinner
- October 20-24 Pastor Out—Vacation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

We are currently accepting: mittens, hats, scarves, hand warmers, coats and toiletry items (toothbrushes, toilet paper, bars of soap, etc.). Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Donations can be placed in the labeled bin found in the narthex. Thank you for your donations!

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.

SMALL GROUP FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Calling all middle and high school students! This Sunday, October 1st, we will be starting a six-week study called: Worship at the Table. This will be a time to build community with one another, reflect on scripture and how it intertwines with our lives, and enjoy a delicious meal together! This group will be led by Laura Foote and Don Jensen, and will meet on Sundays at 6:30p at Laura and Brett's home. If you have any questions or are planning to come, please reach out to Laura after the service or send an email to lmfoote.upc@gmail.com.

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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

25TH ANNIVERSARY

Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating UPC's 25th Anniversary the evening of October 7th, at Barker's Island Inn. Social time will begin at 5 PM, followed by a buffet dinner at 6 PM, Love Creamery Ice Cream for dessert at 6:45 PM, and a program to begin at 7 PM.

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!

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Friday, September 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.

October 2023

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p>01 8:45 AM Chancel Choir 10 AM Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 6 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM Student WATT</p>	<p>02 4 PM Fellowship & Outreach 6 PM WATT - Lisak/Schlacks 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons</p>	<p>03 1 PM WATT - Hecht/Wester 4-6 PM Pickleball 4:30 PM Worship Committee 6 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM WATT - Bergstrom/ Foote</p>	<p>04 9:30 AM PW Meeting 12 PM Staff Meeting 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 4 PM Deacons Meeting 6 PM Book Club 6:30 PM WATT - Vosburgh/ Schulz</p>	<p>05 10 AM - 12 PM Pickleball 7 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>06</p>	<p>07 5 PM 25th Anniversary Party at Barker's Island Inn 6 PM AA Speaker Meeting</p>
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<p>15 Jane Out 8:45 AM Chancel Choir 10 AM Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 4 PM Community Dinner 6 PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM Student WATT</p>	<p>16 6 PM WATT - Lisak/Schlacks 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons</p>	<p>17 1 PM WATT - Hecht/Wester 4-6 PM Pickleball 6 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM WATT - Bergstrom/ Foote</p>	<p>18 12 PM Staff Meeting 1 PM Caregiver Conversations 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 6:30 PM WATT - Vosburgh/ Schulz</p>	<p>19 10 AM - 12 PM Pickleball 6:15 PM Session Meeting 7 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>20 Pastor Out - Vacation</p>	<p>21 Pastor Out - Vacation</p>
<p>22 Pastor Out - Vacation Jane Out 8:45 AM Chancel Choir 10 AM Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 11 AM Mission Committee 6 PM Boy Scouts</p>	<p>23 Pastor Out - Vacation 1 PM UPBeat Deadline 6 PM WATT - Lisak/Schlacks 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons</p>	<p>24 Pastor Out - Vacation 1 PM WATT - Hecht/Wester 4-6 PM Pickleball 6 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM WATT - Bergstrom/ Foote</p>	<p>25 10 AM Crafters Group 12 PM Staff Meeting 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 6:30 PM WATT - Vosburgh/ Schulz</p>	<p>26 10 AM - 12 PM Pickleball 6 PM PEO - Youth Room 7 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>27 Tiff Out</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 8:45 AM Chancel Choir 10 AM Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 6:30 PM Student WATT</p>	<p>30 1 PM UPBeat Packing 6 PM WATT - Lisak/Schlacks 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons</p>	<p>31 UPBeat Mailing 1 PM WATT - Hecht/Wester 4-6 PM Pickleball 6 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM WATT - Bergstrom/ Foote</p>	<p>01 *WATT - Worship at the Table</p>	<p>02</p>	<p>03</p>	<p>04</p>

Lord, Who May Dwell within Your House

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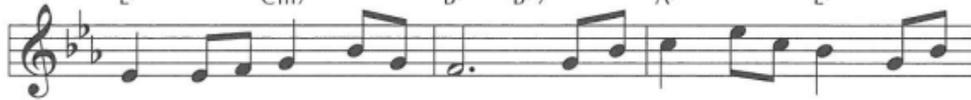
(Psalm 15)

Capo 1: (A7) (D) (Bm7) (G) (Bm) (A7)
B \flat 7 E \flat Cm7 A \flat Cm B \flat 7



1 Lord, who may dwell with - in your house or
2 Who have no guile up - on their tongues nor
3 Who do no wrong, but keep their word and

(D) (Bm7) (A) (A7) (G) (D)
E \flat Cm7 B \flat B \flat 7 A \flat E \flat



on your ho - ly hill? Those who do good and
harm their neigh - bor's life, but hon - or those who
seek no bribe or gain. All those who do such

(G) (A) (D) (Bm) (A7) (D)
A \flat B \flat E \flat Cm B \flat 7 E \flat



speak the truth, whose lives are blame - less still;
fear the Lord and turn a - way from strife;
things shall live and safe from harm re - main.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Come Sing to God

805

(Psalm 30)



1 Come sing to God, O liv - ing saints; sing prais - es to God's name.
2 In my suc - cess I felt se - cure; how good you've been to me.
3 What good is gained by my dis - grace, what prof - it in de - feat?
4 You change my grief to joy-filled dance; my sor - rows you de - stroy.



God's an - ger is not per - ma - nent; God's love will nev - er wane.
I said that this is my own work, as - crib - ing all to me.
My grave can - not con - fess your name, nor praise for you re - peat.
In faith - ful - ness you hear my cry and fill my life with joy.



Though tears may tar - ry for the night with sighs of deep - est pain,
But when you turned a - side your face, my life was filled with fears.
Now hear, O Lord, my plain - tive cry; be mer - ci - ful to me.
And so to you my heart shall sing; my voice your good - ness raise.



yet joy comes with the morn - ing sun, a peace that is not vain.
I begged for help; to you I cried with loud and bit - ter tears.
Ac - cept my long - ing heart's re - quest and from death set me free.
You are my God, for - ev - er - more. My life shall sing your praise.



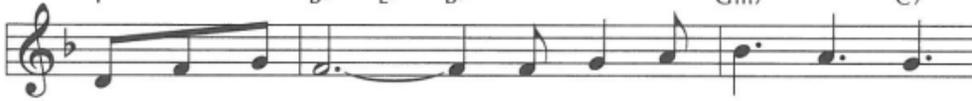
582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, 7 with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly 509



1 All who hun - ger, gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na is our bread.
2 All who hun - ger, nev - er strang - ers, seek - er, be a wel - come guest.
3 All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er; Je - sus Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and wan - der - ing. Here, in truth, we will be fed.
Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing. Here, in joy, we keep the feast.
Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing. Here, in peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.
We that once were lost and scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.
Blest are those who from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.



Taste and see the grace e - ter - nal. Taste and see that God is good.

