#### WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Call the church office at 715-392-4751.



Follow us on Facebook.

#### **HELPFUL TO KNOW**

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 during each worship service. You can share a prayer request online in the comments section (YouTube) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling

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**Online Worship** 

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 16th, 2022

10:00 a.m.

If you are joining us online, please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

\* Please rise in body or spirit

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*INTROIT Praise, I Will Praise You Lord #628

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 141)

One: We call upon you, O Lord; come quickly to us; give ear to our voices when we call to you.

All: Let our prayers be like incense and our raised hands like a sacrifice.

One: Though we may be tempted, keep evil away from our lips.

All: May we be humble as faithful people correct us.

One: Turn our eyes towards you.

All: We seek refuge in you alone!

One: Do not leave us.

All: Do not forsake us, O God. Amen

## PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: We praise you, our great God. We praise you because our conversations with you are not one way. We praise you for the ways in which you are still speaking to us. We confess those times when we do not believe in the power of prayer. We confess the times when we forget to pray. We confess that trusting in you is difficult. Forgive our disregard of your power in this world. Help us. Form us. Share with us your joy. In the name of Christ, Amen.

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: ...Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: 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, "Christ be with you." In response you may say "And also with you!" (You may pass the peace in the comments section if online. In person, say hello to others and connect.)

**RESPONSE** (Choir will lead, congregation responds)

He Came Down #137

Children may come forward during this song for Time with Children.

TIME WITH CHILDREN Laura Foote

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM Jacob's Ladder

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Jane Wester

Genesis 32:22-31

SERMON "Wrestle: Widows & Prayer"
New Testament Reading

Rev. Brett M Foote Luke 18:1-8

#### \*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.

\*HYMN Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart #688

**OFFERING** 

**MOMENT FOR MISSION** 

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor

\*RESPONSE For the Life That You Have Given #717

#### PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who calls us to pray without ceasing and sometimes with our hands and feet, we offer all our gifts to you: Our lives, our passions, and more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our lives with clarity as we serve and love alongside our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of your gifts and may we be loving neighbors. May all those in liminal spaces find in us good friends and companions on the journey. In each and every gift we give, whether it be time, talents, or treasures, may we reflect Christ to others. May we live with your peace. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know your endless and boundless joy. In the name of the Holy Trinity, 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

## 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 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing #546

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 32:22-31

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Luke 18:1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

# **United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar**

## **SUNDAY 10/16**

8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 6 PM Volleyball 6 PM Boy Scouts

# **MONDAY 10/17**

4 PM Piano Lessons 6 PM Cub Scouts 7 PM Finance Committee 7:30 PM Piano Lessons

# **TUESDAY 10/18**

3:45 PM Piano Lessons 4 PM Pickleball

# WEDNESDAY 10/19

12 PM Staff Meeting 1 PM Caregiver Conversations 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 3:45 PM Piano Lessons

## **THURSDAY 10/20**

5 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 6 PM Buildings and Grounds 7 PM AA Meeting

# FRIDAY 10/21

1 PM UPBeat Deadline

# SATURDAY 10/22

## Birthdays This Week

10/17 Cassandra Fuller 10/17 Hannah Fuller

10/17 Hannan Fuller 10/18 Deborah Bergstrom

10/18 Vikki Buckley

10/19 Anna Matthias

10/20 Ed Krube

10/22 Jennifer Willoughby

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

October 28 November 5 UPBeat Mailing Fall Fling Bazaar

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES**

We are currently encouraging masking. There is no longer a hiatus on eating together.

Session will continue to monitor the situation through the Public Health Department of Douglas County.

## 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!

## **NURSERY AVAILABILITY**

Our nursery is staffed 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old. Stop by the Nursery and meet Iris, our Nursery Coordinator and her volunteer assistants. Once checked in, your young ones can play in a safe environment during worship.

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

After the Time with Children portion of our service, children ages 5 through 5th grade are invited to Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith. Children's Church takes place in the Youth room, which is next to the Nursery.

## CONFIRMATION

Our 2022-2023 Confirmation class will begin on October 30! Our first meeting will be an introduction for students, parents and grandparents to learn more about what our journey will entail. Students currently and not currently attending UPC are welcome to join. If you have any questions or know of a student who may be interested in joining this year please reach out to Laura after the service or by sending an e-mail to: Imfoote.upc@gmail.com.

## **SECOND SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Every second Sunday of the month there is a Bible study for our high school students. We will meet in the Youth room after the service. Don't worry, we'll have snacks for any grumbling bellies. Our next one will be on November 13.

# **GET TO KNOW UNITED**

If you've been curious to get to know who we are and what we are about at United, Pastor Brett will be leading a group for this very purpose soon. We are looking at beginning in late October. Contact Pastor Brett for more info!

# **COME JOIN US!**

The Bell Choir is looking for a new member. If you would like to join this great group, please contact Jane. Also, the Chancel Choir has empty seats. We'd love to fill them all and add more. Please give it a try. Show up for practice at 8:45 Sunday morning!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT**

We are currently accepting: mittens, hats, scarves, hand warmers, coats, toiletry items (toothbrushes, toilet paper, bars of soap, etc.), and non-liquid, sealed food items. Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Thank you for your donations!

## **VOLLEYBALL**

By consensus, UPC Volleyball will be going back to a 6 PM playing time on Sundays.

## **FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS**

Every Tuesday- Pickleball from 4-6 PM

Every Sunday- Volleyball will now be from 6:00-8:30PM

October 19th- We have been invited by the Pananens to a beach fire on Lake Superior. This will take place at 4:00 PM. Don't miss out on this fun opportunity:) The address for this event is **7549 E Camp Amnicon Rd, South Range, WI** 

October 25th- Antenna Farm Hike led by Joann; more details to follow November 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th- Following each church service in November, we will be set up to take family/individual photos for the church directory.

## **FALL FLING BAZAAR**

The Presbyterian Women are planning their church wide Fall Fling Bazaar for Saturday, November 5, 2022. The hours will be from 9am-1pm. Our little Cafe will offer coffee and treats for sale throughout the day. Mark your calendars and begin to knit, craft or bake up a storm! Please bring your "bazaar" items to church the day before the sale, Friday, November 4th. We'll begin to set up the bazaar at 9am, Friday and welcome your help.

# **PLEDGE CARDS**

Pledge cards have been sent out. Please keep your eye out for them and turn them in as soon as you are able. Our goal is to have all pledge cards collected by October 30th so we can get our budget rolling for 2023!

# **ALL SAINTS DAY**

Our All Saints Day worship will take place on Sunday, November 6th. We would love to remember and honor any person that has been meaningful to you who has passed. Please fill out the forms given to you by a Deacon prior to the service, and turn them into the office by October 31st. Extra forms will be available in the office.

# **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







#### Additional stanzas:

- ... that we may have light
- ... that we may have peace
- ... that we may have joy



# 717 For the Life That You Have Given For the life that you have giv - en, the love in Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; mind and strength we bring; give us grace to heart and love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

# 546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing 1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless-ing; fill our hearts with 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug-gling and peace; each, your let love pos - sess - ing, joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion pil - grim way, no fear death ap - pall us, tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. 0 fresh us, in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful, glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er, trav - eling through this re - fresh us, wil - der - ness. faith - ful to your truth may we be found. ev - er reign with you end - less day.