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#### **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) 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 (<a href="mailto:ian\_KB9LTA@yahoo.com">ian\_KB9LTA@yahoo.com</a>) or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

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## **Online Worship**

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

**January 14th, 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 WELCOME **Alex Sandor** 

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT

Sing to God With Joy and Gladness

#657

#### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray...

All: God of the books and the covers, we praise you for making each person so uniquely and revealing yourself to all people. Thank you God for giving people such rich culture and making life spring up in the most unlikely places. Teach us to go and witness for ourselves instead of judging from afar. Move us to experience over prejudice. If and when we question the way and person of Jesus in our lives, send your Spirit in a powerful way. Forgive us for judging others based on appearances, whenever that may happen. Heal the alienation that takes place in our lives. In your son Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

\*HYMN My Life Flows On #821

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, the good news is that scripture is full of human beings. Human beings like you and me, human beings who have made mistakes and human beings that God says will be redeemed. Because of Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection...

All: We and our neighbors are forgiven!

#### \*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 Calm to the Waves (3x) #184

SCRIPTURE READINGS **Old Testament Reading**  Jane Wester 1st Samuel 3:1-10

#### CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

**SERMON** "Can Anything Good Come Out Of Superior?"

**Rev. Brett M Foote** 

**New Testament Reading** 

John 1:43-51

#### \*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 Jesus Calls Us #720

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY **Alex Sandor** \*RESPONSE God, We Honor You #709

God, we honor you. God, we trust in you.

God, we worship and adore you.

Take what we bring, offered to you.

Teach us to show your abundant blessings.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, amen.

#### \*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of Superior, thank you for the big lake! Thank you for the bounty that is present in our lives by virtue of being in this place. 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 each of our communities: Superior, Duluth, and Tower. 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. (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

Everyone Who Longs for the Boundless Love of God #849

\*BENEDICTION \*POSTLUDE

**Alex Sandor** 

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

1st Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.' " So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

## **NEW TESTAMENT READING**

John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

## <u>United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar</u>

## **SUNDAY 1/14**

8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9 AM Spiritual Formation Committee 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church 6 PM Boy Scouts 6 PM Volleyball 6:30 PM Second Student Dinner

## **MONDAY 1/15**

Office Closed—MLK Jr. Day Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation 5 PM Finance Committee 6:15 PM Piano Lessons

#### TUESDAY 1/16

Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation
10 AM Pickleball
6 PM Bell Choir

## WEDNESDAY 1/17

Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation 1 PM Caregiver Conversations 2-6 PM CSA Pickup 6:15 PM Welcome Corps

## THURSDAY 1/18

Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation 10 AM Pickleball 7 PM AA Meeting

## **FRIDAY 1/19**

Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation 6 PM Kickball for All

## SATURDAY 1/20

Pastor & Laura Out—Vacation

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

January 23 UPBeat Deadline January 28 Annual Meeting

## **Birthdays This Week**

1/14 Elda Hanson 1/14 Joan Johnson 1/15 Ailey Rude 1/19 Holden Willmore 1/20 Claire Matthias

## <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

#### **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**

There will be no Children's Church on January 21st. 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**

This Sunday, January 14th, middle and high school students are invited to our Second Sunday Student Dinner! The dinner will take place at Laura and Brett's home at 6:30p. It will be a time to connect with one another, grow in our faith, and of course...fill our bellies! If you have any questions, reach out to Laura after the service or by emailing: Imfoote.upc@gmail.com.

## **OFFERING ENVELOPES**

The envelopes are on the table in the back of the church. If you want envelopes and you were omitted, please contact Jan Letsos.

## **NOTE FROM JAN**

Please remember when writing checks that it is now 2024! Thank you!

## **KICKBALL**

You are invited to "Kickball for ALL"! Join us on Friday, January 19th, from 6-7:30 PM. Pizza will be served!

## **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 playing **every Sunday at 6 PM** unless there is an announcement stating otherwise!

On **February 14th** we will be having a Valentine's Day Bingo from 1-3 PM! Coffee and treats will be served at this event!

On **February 18th** we will be having our annual SPUD DAY following the worship service! Included in this event are potatoes and all the fixings!

## ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on January 28th following the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **BIRTHDAY POTLUCK INFORMATION**

Please find sign up sheets in the narthex for the birthday potluck, coming soon, on January 28th, following the Annual Meeting. You may sign up to bring a themed cake, (we need only one per month), a hot food dish, a cold food dish or bread. The themed cakes are the center pieces on each of the 12 months tables. When it is time to "dine" you sit at the table of your birthday month. It is a great chance to reconnect with those birthday sharing friends from last year's birthday potluck! Everyone is welcome; we always have plenty of delicious food and many cakes to sample!

#### **COMMUNITY DINNER**

Please join us for our free Community Dinner next Sunday, January 21st. The meal will start at 4 PM in the Fellowship Hall. This month, we will be serving beef stew, corn muffins, and chocolate cake with cherry topping. If you would like to volunteer to help with set up or serving, any and all assistance would be welcomed! Check the sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex for volunteer times.

## **CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES**

As of Friday, January 12th, Douglas County is at a **Medium COVID-19 Community Level**. At this level, the Session-approved guidelines recommend that our community members wear high-quality masks or respirators indoors, host gatherings outside (when possible), stay home when sick, and stay up to date on vaccinations.

## **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

# 657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness



821

## My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep from Singing?



My life flows on in end-less song, a-bove earth's lam-en - ta - tion.

- 2 Through all the tu-mult and the strife, I hear that mu-sic ring-ing.
- 3 What though my joys and com-forts die? I know my Sav-ior liv eth.
- 4 The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a foun-tain ev er spring-ing!





I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.

It finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?

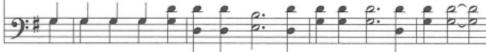
What though the dark-ness gath-er round? Songs in the night he giv-eth.

All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from sing-ing?





No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing.





Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?









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