

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:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos>

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
Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 (jan_KB9LTA@yahoo.com) or
Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

Choirmaster & Handbell Director

Jane Wester

Church Secretary

Tiffany Willie

Custodian

Beth Lisak

Director of Children, Youth &

Family Ministries

Rev. Kathryn Craven

Financial Secretary

Jan Letsos

Organist & Pianist

Alexander Sandor

Pastor

Rev. Brett M. Foote

Treasurer

Christy Willmore



United Presbyterian Church

**229 North 28th Street East
Superior, WI 54880**

Office: 715-392-4751

Pastor: 717-247-4433

unitedpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com

www.facebook.com/UnitedPresbyterianChurch

ONLINE WORSHIP

January 10th, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

PRELUDE **Alex Sandor**
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT **Arise, Your Light has Come** **#744**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 71)

One: In you, O Lord, we take refuge.

All: Let us never be put to shame.

One: You are our strong refuge in times of trouble.

All: We are full of your praises, compassionate God.

One: You who have done great things, O God, who is like you?

All: Our lips and our rescued souls will shout for joy as we sing praises to you.

HYMN **Come, Live in the Light** **#749**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God of our sleep, we confess that we do not expect you to lead us in our dreams. We confess that sometimes we neglect the ability to “sleep on it” and receive dreams as well as guidance from you. We confess that we do not always rest as much as we can. Forgive our lack of expectation. Forgive us for not paying attention to our dreams. Forgive our lack of rest. Help us, O God, by giving us dreams and direction. Help us, to take moments of rest where you can lead us. Heal us, transform us, and make yourself known through us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Family, though we mess up, though we get things wrong, though we drop the ball or miss the mark, though we sin: God has promised to cleanse us and heal us of any wrongdoing. Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: because of Christ’s birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those in the comments section with the words, “The peace of Christ be with you.” (Say hello to one another!)

TIME WITH CHILDREN **Kathryn Craven**

SCRIPTURE READINGS **Marian Lanigan**
Old Testament Reading **Isaiah 60:1-6**

SERMON “What To Do When You Need Direction?: Sleep On It”

Rev. Brett Foote

New Testament Reading **Matthew 2:1-12**

HYMN **As With Gladness Men of Old** **#150**

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERTORY **Alex Sandor**

RESPONSE **#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 of our dreams, we offer all our gifts to you, our lives, our passions and so much more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our mission and vision as the church, as we reach out with our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be generous neighbors. Help us to connect with and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know that they are loved by us and by God. In the name of the Holy Trinity, Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayers to be Shared Please email 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. 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN We are Marching in the Light of God #853

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alex Sandor

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come,
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
For darkness shall cover the earth,
and thick darkness the peoples;
but the Lord will arise upon you,
and his glory will appear over you.
Nations shall come to your light,
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.
Lift up your eyes and look around;
they all gather together, they come to you;
your sons shall come from far away,
and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms.
Then you shall see and be radiant;
your heart shall thrill and rejoice,
because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you,
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
A multitude of camels shall cover you,
the young camels of Midian and Ephah;
all those from Sheba shall come.
They shall bring gold and frankincense,
and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

"And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel." '

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE?

At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God.

If you'd like to donate online vs. mailing the weekly offering to the church, you can do so at the following link:

<https://www.upc-superior.com/donate>

SUNDAY 1/10

10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

11:30 Coffee Break (Zoom)

3-4 PM Hotdish Initiative

MONDAY 1/11

TUESDAY 1/12

4:15 Mission Committee (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 1/13

12:00 Staff Meeting (Zoom)

THURSDAY 1/14

5:30 PM B&G Meeting (Zoom)

FRIDAY 1/15

SATURDAY 1/16

Birthdays This Week

1/10 Bob McClellan

1/13 Jack Finstad

1/14 Joan Johnson

1/15 Ailey Rude

LOOKING AHEAD

January 10

Hotdish Initiative

January 17

Annual Congregational Meeting

January 17

Community Dinner

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

Items needed for the Inclusive Care Unit! We currently need: **Winter scarves, adult hats, gloves or mittens, and blankets.** Drop them off at the church Monday-Friday between 12 P.M. and 4 P.M.

HOTDISH INITIATIVE

The drive up hotdish initiative is this afternoon from 3-4 PM. On the menu is Chicken Chow Mein hotdish and Eggrolls. We hope to see you there!

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

United Presbyterian Church needs volunteers to help clear snow from the three main entrances at the front of the Church on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for the remainder of this winter. Please contact Eric Schlacks to volunteer or to learn more. He can be reached at 218-269-6678 or at desertswan1@gmail.com.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The annual congregational meeting will take place on January 17th, 2021, at 11:15 AM via Zoom. More information will be sent out closer to that date.

WISHLIST FOR MEMBERS IN NEED

Some members in the congregation could use the following items while they are unable to attend services and have visitors during COVID. The list is currently: **Jigsaw puzzles, stationary and blank greeting cards.** If you can donate any of these items, please bring them to the church office during office hours.

GET TO KNOW UPC

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 starting in January. Contact Pastor Brett for more info!

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The boxes of 2021 offering envelopes for members can be found in the narthex on the table under the calendar. Please come anytime within church hours to pick them up.

COMMUNITY DINNER

The drive up Community Dinner next week will consist of meatball stroganoff over noodles, blended veggies, a dinner roll, and cupcakes. See you there!

744 Arise, Your Light Is Come!

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
 pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

749 Come! Live in the Light!

We Are Called

1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the
 2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your
 3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that

joy and the love of the Lord! We are called
 mer - cy to all those in fear! We are called
 great day when all will be one! God will reign,

to be light for the king - dom, to live in the
 to be hope for the hope - less so ha - tred and
 and we'll walk with each oth - er as sis - ters and

free - dom of the cit - y of God.
 vio - lence will be no more.
 broth - ers u - nit - ed in love.

Refrain

We are called to act with jus - tice; we are called to
 love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -
 oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

As with Gladness Men of Old 150

853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

Siyahamba

1 As with glad-ness men of old did the guid-ing star be-hold;
 2 As with joy-ful steps they sped, Sav-ior, to thy low-ly bed,
 3 As they of-fered gifts most rare at thy man-ger, rude and bare,
 4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-ery day keep us in the nar-row way;

We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

as with joy they hailed its light, lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
 there to bend the knee be-fore thee, whom heaven and earth a-dore;
 so may we with ho-ly joy, pure and free from sin's al-loy,
 and when earth-ly things are past, bring our ran-somed souls at last

light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',

so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev-er-more be led to thee.
 so may we with will-ing feet ev-er seek thy mer-cy seat.
 all our cost-liest trea-sures bring, Christ, to thee, our heaven-ly king.
 where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glo-ry hide.

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of God.
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.