

HELPFUL TO KNOW

If you'd like to join virtually, please connect with the following link:
<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>
(If you are here in person we offer hearing assistance devices-see technology desk.)

NURSERY

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old.

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 for Children's Church.

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the worship service. Share a request in the comments section. Additionally, the Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Dorothy Burriss 817-715-0968 (macb.dlb@sbcglobal.net) or Dean Hecht at 715-919-1325.

RIDE SHARE

Need a ride? Please check the bulletin board by the fire extinguisher in the narthex.

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Director of Spiritual Formation

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Interim Treasurer

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Pastor

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Online Worship

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time &
World Communion Sunday**

October 5th, 2025

10:00 AM

If you're 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 & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT** I Come with Joy #515

***PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: God of our ancestors...

All: We thank You for-

Allow time and space for folks to share aloud near you.

One: We give You thanks for showing us an image of Christ so that we may become more like him.

All: Forgive us for forgetting that faith shared with each one of us.

One: We confess...

All: That we don't always see our faith as an opportunity or an awesome responsibility.

One: Shake the dust off our dry bones.

All: Let us live, fully alive through the power of the Spirit with the faith passed down to us. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***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** Let Us Break Bread Together #525

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jane Wester

Old Testament Psalm 137: 1-9

***HYMN** For All the Faithful Women #324

Sermon Not My Circus: Responsibility & The Faith's of Grandmas
Rev. Brett M. Foote

New Testament 2 Timothy 1: 2-14

CHANCEL CHOIR

***CONFESSION OF BELHAR (Abridged by Pastor Brett)**

One: Let us affirm our faith together using this confession.

All: We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit.

This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. This unity between people and God must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted; We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peace-maker. Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

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

***PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who inspired faith in our ancestors and now gives us an awesome responsibility, we give You thanks. You have showered us with the abundance of the earth and yet at times, we don't share. You call us to provide for others. May we always reach out to our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever they are from with care. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures as we serve the Superior community. May we live Your expansive love. We give You thanks for all of these gifts and what they mean for the kingdom of God. Send Your Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for this congregation, Superior community, and world. May we live Your "YES!" towards all people. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

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: For you, Creator God, the valleys laugh and sing and the trees of the field clap their hands. Your earth summons us to break silence and be one with the song of creation.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: For you, God of all, the church in its myriad forms and countless languages honors its Savior. Millions upon millions invite us to be one with them in the drama of worship.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: In heaven, beyond our seeing, the saints and angels are caught up in song. And those we have loved and lost are part of the great company. They call us to be one with the harmony of heaven.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: So gladly we join our voices to those of earth, lake, and sky, in the universal hymn of praise which echoes through time and eternity.

***COMMUNION HYMN In the Singing #533**

LORD'S PRAYER

One: Let us pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray.

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 FOR AFTER WE'VE BEEN FED

One: O Friend, O Brother Jesus we have been guests at Your table; come with us wherever we go and be present in all we share.

All: Summon out in us, whom You have fed, generosity of spirit to ensure that all the hungry are nourished and earth's barren places are fertile with food, faith, hope and love. Amen.

SHARING THE GOOD & PASTORAL PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN Spirit, Open My Heart #692**

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Alex Sandor

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalms 137: 1-9

137:1 By the rivers of Babylon—there we sat down, and there we wept when we remembered Zion. **2** On the willows there we hung up our harps. **3** For there our captors asked us for songs, and our tormentors asked for mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!" **4** How could we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land? **5** If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! **6** Let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy. **7** Remember, O Lord, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem's fall, how they said, "Tear it down! Tear it down! Down to its foundations!" **8** O daughter Babylon, you devastator! Happy shall they be who pay you back what you have done to us! **9** Happy shall they be who take your little ones and dash them against the rock!

NEW TESTAMENT

2 Timothy 1: 2-14

1:2 To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. **3** I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. **4** Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. **5** I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. **6** For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands, **7** for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. **8** Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, **9** who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, **10** but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. **11** For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, **12** and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. **13** Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. **14** Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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>

WAYS TO SERVE

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United!

**Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.*

- Coffee Hour*—Make coffee and bring treats for everyone.
- Liturgist*—Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.
- Crafters Group—Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the crafting room inside the Fellowship Hall. Contact the office to learn more.
- Community Dinner—Volunteer for our Community Dinner the third Sunday in October, February, June and August. To learn more, contact the office or Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.
- Nursery—Come spend time with our babies and toddlers in the nursery during the Sunday service! You will serve with a Nursery Coordinator once or twice a month (your choice). Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign-up. *A background check is required.*
- Children's Church—Come support our young ones as they grow in their faith during Children's Church! This takes place during the Sunday service. You can volunteer once or twice a month (your choice). Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign-up. *A background check is required.*
- Technology/AV Desk—Volunteer to run the AV on a rotating, weekly or monthly basis. Training will be provided! Questions? Contact Mac Burriss 304-890-2375.
- Trunk-or-Treat*—Sunday, October 26 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM in the church parking lot. Questions or want to learn more? Contact the office.
- UPC Christmas Baskets*—It is Christmas basket season! If you know a family that could use a Christmas basket and would like to nominate them the forms are in the narthex. Please return forms by Sunday, October 5th. Contact the office with any questions.

WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM. All are welcome!
- Men's Breakfast—First Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM at Superior Family Restaurant. Questions? Contact Tom Lisak at 218-348-5390.
- Presbyterian Women—Meet the first Wednesday of every month (except January, February, and July) at 9:30 AM. December and June meetings are lunches at 12:30 PM. To learn more, contact Bonnie Wallin at 715-392-7029.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 10/5

8:45 AM Chancel Choir
Coffee Hour

TUESDAY 10/7

10:00 AM Pickleball
1:00 PM AA Meeting
5:00 PM Bell Choir
6:00 PM SF Small Group

THURSDAY 10/9

10:00 AM Pickleball
3:30 PM Piano Lessons
5:00 PM Building & Grounds

SATURDAY 10/11

MONDAY 10/6

12:30 PM SF Small Group
2:30 PM Piano Lessons
3:30 PM Fellowship & Outreach

WEDNESDAY 10/8

10:00 AM Crafters Group
2:00 PM CSA Pick up
4:00 PM Piano Lessons
6:00 PM SF Small Group
6:15 PM Personnel Committee

FRIDAY 10/10

Birthdays This Week

10/5—Andrew Yingling
10/6—Pat Johnson
10/8—Sanghee Pauna
10/10—Jill Harnstrom

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRUNK-OR-TREAT

UPC will be hosting a Trunk-or-Treat on Sunday, October 26 from 1:00-3:00 pm. A trunk-or-treat is a Halloween activity where folks decorate their cars and gather in a parking lot to hand out candy to children in a safe atmosphere (typically at schools or churches). A sign up sheet is in the narthex if you would like to host a trunk, or you can contact the office. We also are gladly accepting donations of candy for the event. Please drop your donations off at the UPC office on or before October 24.

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

We will be collecting our Peace & Global Witness Offering today!

CRAFTERS GROUP

Greetings creative and crafty people of UPC! If you are thinking about making items for the upcoming Bazaar on Nov. 1st, please come into the craft room on any Wednesday to check out our stash of fabrics and yarn! We have lots of Christmas fabric, plus other things that might catch your eye! Especially if you are looking for smaller pieces. Any of the crafters would be thrilled to give you a tour!

CELEBRATION DINNER

Today after worship is the last opportunity to RSVP for the dinner. Sign up in the narthex!

I Come with Joy 515



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has



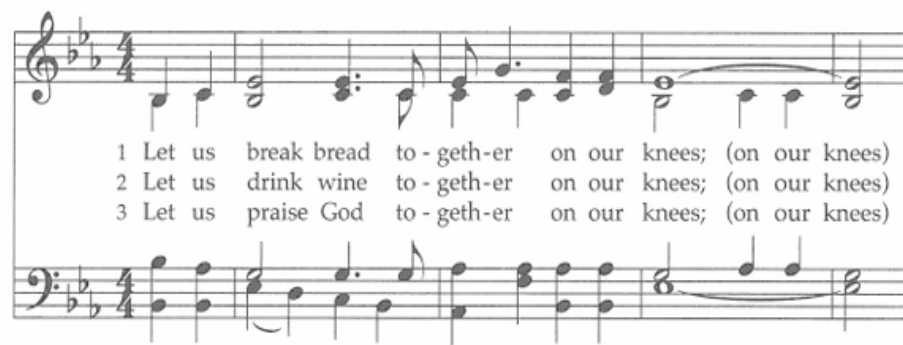
free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in
fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
Christ's com-mu - nion bread, in Christ's com-mu - nion bread.
strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

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.

Let Us Break Bread Together 525



Refrain



324 For All the Faithful Women

Capo 3: (C) E^b (Am7) Cm7 (F) A^b (G) B^b (C) E^b

1 For all the faith - ful wom - en who served in
 2 We praise your name for Mir - iam, who sang tri -
 3 We sing of bus - y Mar - tha, who toiled with
 4 Lord, hear our praise of Dor - cas, who served the

(G) (C) (Am7) (Dm) (G)
 B^b E^b Cm7 Fm B^b

days of old, to you shall thanks be giv - en; to
 um - phant - ly while Pha - raoh's vaunt - ed ar - my lay
 pot and pan while Mar - y sat in si - lence to
 sick and poor. Her hands were cups of kind - ness, her

(C) (G7) (C) (Am)
 E^b B^b7 E^b Cm

all, their sto - ry told. They served with strength and
 drowned be - neath the sea; for Ruth, who left her
 hear the word a - gain. We praise the oth - er
 heart an o - pen door. O God, for saints and

(D) (G) (F) (G) (C)
 F B^b A^b B^b E^b

glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave. To you their
 home - land and ven - tured forth in faith, who pledged to
 Mar - y, who has - tened to the tomb and found her
 ser - vants, our fer - vent prayer we raise, that, faith - ful

(Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 Cm7 A^b B^b E^b Fm B^b E^b

lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your power to save.
 serve and wor - ship Na - o - mi's God till death.
 Lord a - ris - en, dis - pel - ling doubt and gloom.
 in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.

709 God, We Honor You

D G A7 D

God, we hon - or you. God, we trust in you.

Bm Em/G A Dsus D
 (D)

God, we wor - ship and a - dore you.

D G A7 D

Take what we bring, of - fered to you.

Bm Em/G A Dsus D
 (D)

Teach us to show your a - bun - dant bless - ings.

D G A7 D

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Bm Em/G A Dsus D
 (D)

al - le - lu - ia, a - men.

In the Singing

533

Leader or All

Dmaj7 G Dmaj7 G Bm Bm7 Em

1 In the sing - ing, in the si - lence, in the hands ex - pec - tant,
 2 In the ques - tion, in the an - swer, in the mo - ment of ac -

Asus A Dmaj7 G Dmaj7 G

o - pen, in the bless - ing, in the break - ing,
 cep - tance, in the heart's cry, in the heal - ing,

Bm Bm7 G A7 D

in the Pres - ence at this ta - ble
 in the cir - cle of your peo - ple

Refrain G *All* C#dim F#m7 Bm7 Em7 A7 D

Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the wine of grace:

G C#dim F#m7 Bm7 Em7 A7 D

Je - sus Christ, Je - sus Christ, be the bread of peace.

692

Spirit, Open My Heart

Refrain Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7)
 F Bb F Bb C7

Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of

(Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7) (Bm) (D/A) (Em)
 Dm F/C Bb C7 Dm F/C Gm

liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing

(D) (G) (Em7) (D) (G) (D)
 F Bb Gm7 F Bb F *Fine*

and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

(D) (G) (D) (G)
 F Bb F Bb

1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of

(A7) (Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7)
 C7 Dm F/C Bb C7

kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel - come of

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (G2) (G)
 Dm Gm7 F Bb2 Bb *to Refrain*

fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 Christ, may we wel - come one an - oth - er.