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If you'd like to join virtually, please go to our Facebook page or YouTube and connect with the following link:  
<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>

### 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. You may share a request in the comments section. Additionally, the Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 ([jan\\_KB9LTA@yahoo.com](mailto:jan_KB9LTA@yahoo.com)) or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

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### Online Worship

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 22nd, 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.**

**(We offer hearing assistance devices— see technology desk.)**

**PRELUDE** Alex Sandor  
**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT** Our God Is an Awesome God (3x) #616

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: God of wisdom...

**All: We praise you for giving us the tools to seek wisdom from above.**

One: Help us to be pure.

**All: Help us to be gentle, peaceable, willing to yield, and full of grace and mercy.**

One: Forgive us for sometimes being callous, hasty, and inconsiderate of your wisdom.

**All: God of above and below, spark in us a desire to do your will, help us to live by using your wisdom so we may care for our community and follow where you are leading. In Jesus' name, amen.**

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: God does not count up wrong against us.

**All: We are called to not count up wrongs against one another.**

One: Scripture says forgive seventy times seven.

**All: We will forgive one another.**

One: Because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...

**All: The God of grace and mercy forgives us.**

**\*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)

**\*RESPONSE** Rain Down (2x) #48

*Children are invited to gather by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.*

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Jackie Pananen

**Old Testament Reading** Psalm 1

**Chancel Choir**

**SERMON** Taking A Look In The Mirror: Wisdom From Above  
Rev. Brett M. Foote

**New Testament Reading** James 3: 13-18

**\*HYMN** God of Grace and God of Glory (v. 1,3,4) #307

**MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION** Ephraim Nikoi  
**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** Alex Sandor

**\*RESPONSE** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow #607

**\*PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: God of wisdom! Take our gifts of time, talents, and treasures and grow them for your kingdom. Help us to live openhanded lives sharing the gift of our lives with others. Move in us so that we may center the voices of those on the margins. Send your grace filled Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for our congregation, Superior community, and this world. We want others to know your "Yes!" towards all humanity! Amen.**

**ILLUMINATING OUR PRAYERS**

**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.**

**\*HYMN** Go, My Children, with My Blessing #547

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

**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>

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FAMILY FALL RETREAT

On October 4th and 5th we will be having a Family Fall Retreat at Camp Amnicon! This is a time for us to connect with God and each other. We will eat together, sing worship, get crafty, and you'll have the chance to go canoeing and hiking (weather permitting). This retreat is for all ages and all families. The cost is \$20 per person (lodging and meals included) and you must register beforehand. Space is limited! Questions? Reach out to Laura at lmfoote.upc@gmail.com

### HARVEST HOME ROAST BEEF DINNER

October 2, 2024 from 4-6 PM save the date and try to rearrange your schedule to be able to come and eat and to help on preparation days and the actual dinner day. There will be specific sign-up sheets for places where we need YOUR help. This is a wonderful way to offer a great meal to the community, have fellowship around a big church event and raise money. Watch for your tickets to arrive in the mail or contact Jan Letsos for additional tickets. UPC can make this happen when we all work together. THANK YOU in advance.

### CHURCH TREASURER

Please wish Christy Willmore, our church treasurer, farewell! She will be moving to Iowa to care for her family. Christy makes the move this coming week. Don't worry, she will be back from time to time on the weekend. She will be continuing her work as church treasurer through tele-working after a conversation with Personnel. We are overjoyed to keep her on. Stay after the service for coffee hour and wish her well. There will be a basket for cards to wish her well. Thank you Christy for all you do and all you will continue to do.

#### The Daily Examen

1. Place yourself in God's presence. Give thanks for God's great love for you.
2. Pray for the grace to understand how God is acting in your life.
3. Review your day — recall specific moments and your feelings at the time.
4. Reflect on what you did, said, or thought in those instances. Were you drawing closer to God, or further away?
5. Look toward tomorrow — think of how you might collaborate more effectively with God's plan. Be specific, and conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

#### **Psalms 1**

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked or take the path that sinners tread or sit in the seat of scoffers, but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous, for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

### NEW TESTAMENT READING

#### **James 3: 13-18**

Who is wise and knowledgeable among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be arrogant and lie about the truth. This is not wisdom that comes down from above but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### SUNDAY 9/22

8:45 AM Chancel Choir  
Coffee Hour  
1:00 PM Hike Jay Cooke

### TUESDAY 9/24

Pastor Out— Vacation  
10:00 AM Pickleball  
1:00 PM AA Meeting  
6:00 PM Bell Choir

### THURSDAY 9/26

Pastor Out— Vacation  
10:00 AM Pickleball  
3:30 PM Piano Lessons  
4:30 PM Mission Committee

### FRIDAY 9/27

Pastor Out— Vacation  
Kiel-DeJesus Wedding Rehearsal

### SATURDAY 9/28

Pastor Out— Vacation  
Kiel-DeJesus Wedding

### MONDAY 9/23

Pastor Out— Vacation  
3:30 PM Piano Lessons

### WEDNESDAY 9/25

Pastor Out— Vacation  
10:00 AM Crafters Group  
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up  
4:30 PM Piano Lessons

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

9/22— Jake Anderson  
9/23— Adrien Ellerby  
9/23— James McCumber  
9/26— Ronald Hicks  
9/27— Nick Cairns  
9/27— Maryjane Burdge

### Ways to Serve

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

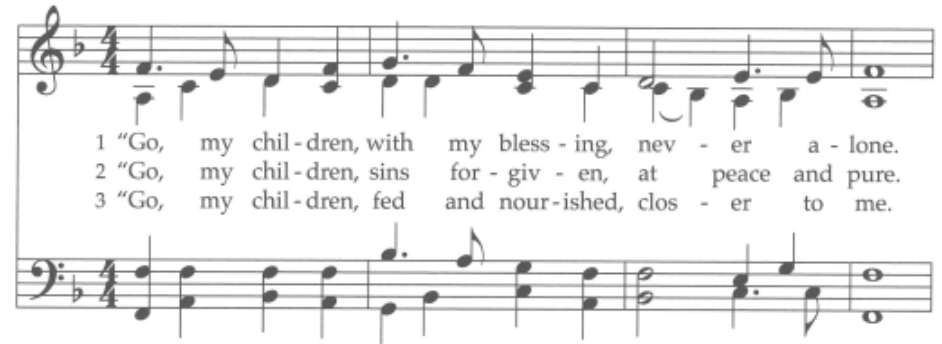
*\*Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.*

- 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.
- Harvest Home Dinner\*— Annual fundraiser for our Presbyterian Women.
- Crafters Group—Every Wednesday at 10:00 AM.
- Community Dinner— Be part of our Community Dinner the third Sunday in October, February, June and August
- Volunteering with Great Lakes\*—Sign-up to build relationships and support the students at Great Lakes Elementary through reading and math. Check out the sign-up sheet for details on days, times and grades. This partnership has been a joy for those who have volunteered, and for the staff and students of Great Lakes Elementary!
- Twin Ports Welcome Corp— Join the TPWC and help sponsor a refugee.
- Community Garden— Help plan and carry out the UPC Community Garden project, which provides vegetables for UPC Community Dinners and Great Lakes Elementary students.

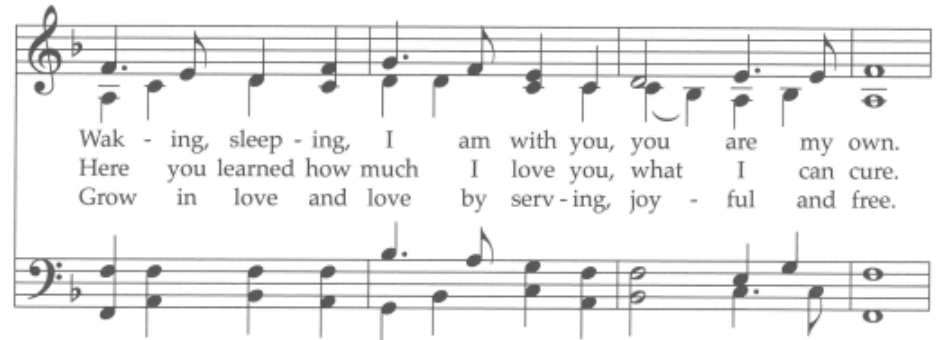
### Ways To Learn Grow And Get Involved

- Confirmation—Confirmation is for any student in middle or high school. There will be a meeting after the service today.
- Spiritual Formation Small Groups\*—Sign up for a Spiritual Formation group! Forms are in the narthex.
- Family Fall Retreat\*— For all ages and all families at Camp Amnicon. Scan the QR code on the flyer in the narthex to register.
- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM.
- Volleyball— Every Sunday at 6:00 PM. Begins on October 6th.

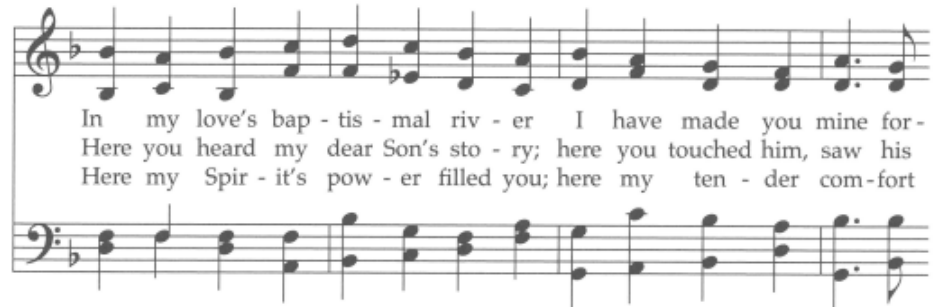
## Go, My Children, with My Blessing 547



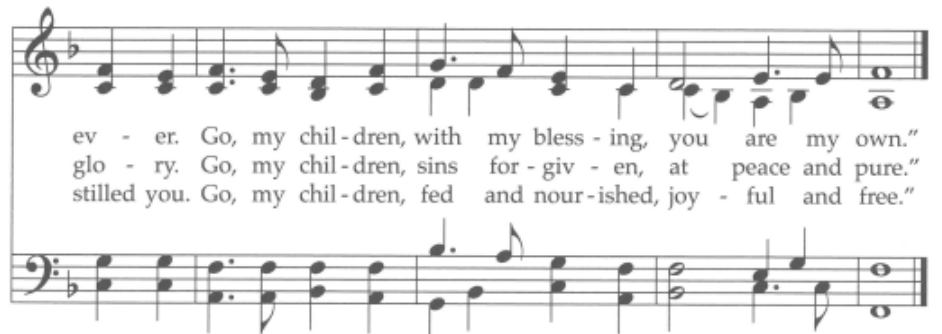
1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.  
2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.  
3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.



Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.  
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.



In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his  
Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort



ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."  
glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."  
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# Rain Down

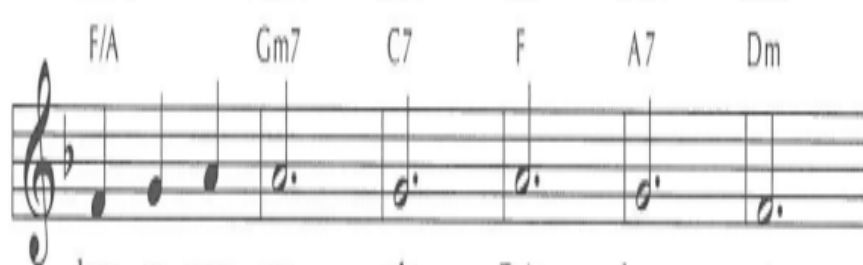
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Capo 3: (D) (F#7) (Bm) (D7) (G)



Rain down; rain down; rain down your

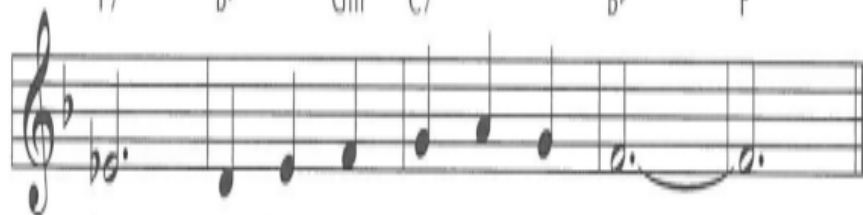
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love on your peo - ple. Rain down; rain

(D7) (G) (Em) (A7) (G) (D)

F7 Bb Gm C7 Bb F



down; rain down your love, God of life.

# Our God Is an Awesome God 616

Awesome God



Our God is an awe-some God who reigns from heav-en a-bove



with wis - dom, power, and love; our God is an awe-some God!

This is a contemporary worship song that first gained recognition on Christian radio and later became a popular congregational song. "Awesome" here is not a trivial expression but carries the meaning of "awe-inspiring" and is based on Scripture (e.g. Daniel 9:4).

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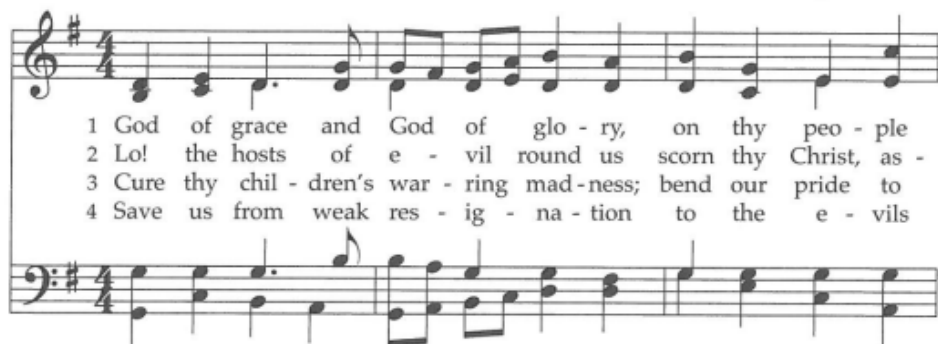
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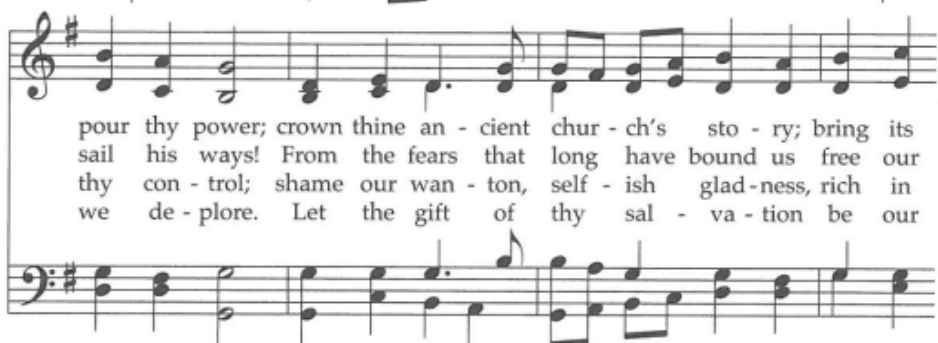
AWESOME GOD

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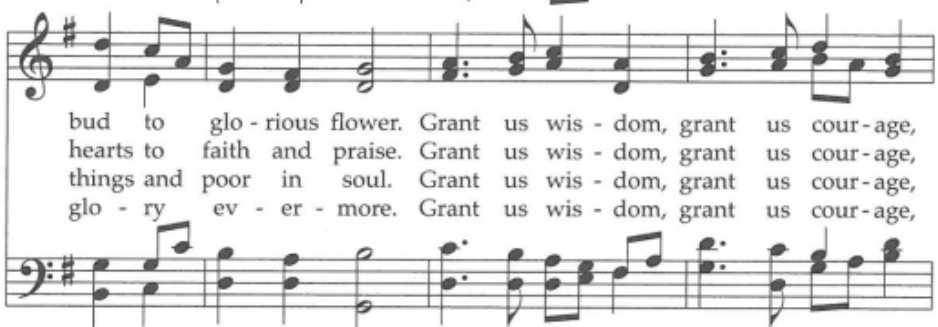
# 307 God of Grace and God of Glory



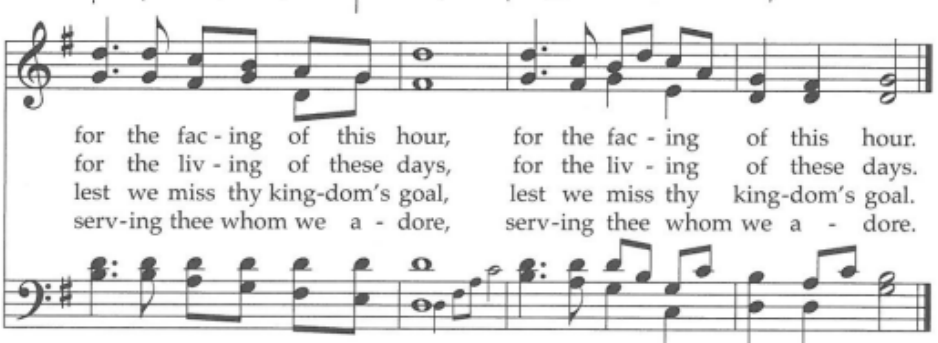
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple  
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -  
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to  
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its  
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our  
thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in  
we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our

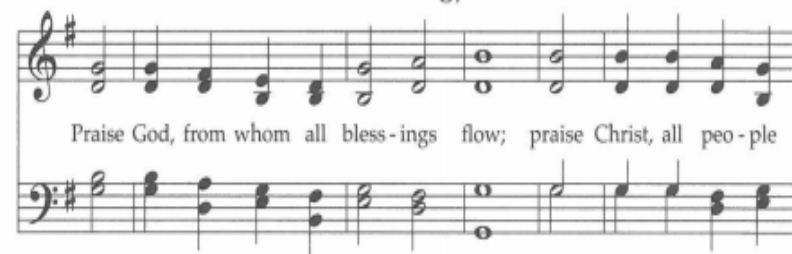


bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,  
glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

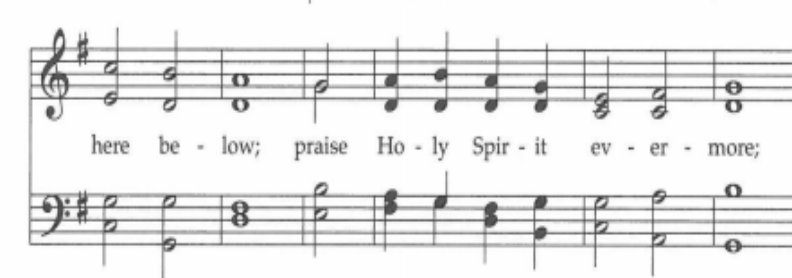


for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.  
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.  
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.  
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

# 607 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Doxology



Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple



here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;



praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore. A - men.