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UPBEAT APRIL 2026

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Worship: Sundays at 10 a.m.

DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION?

Has your contact info changed? call the church office at: 715-392-4751 or office@upc-superior.com



A CONGREGATION OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A)

SPIRITUAL FORMATION: FOR AGES & STAGES COMMITTEE

Laura Foote, Director of Spiritual Formation, laura.foote@upc-superior.com

Hello Church!

Easter is approaching which means we'll be having our annual Easter Egg Hunt for all our young ones! It'll begin at 9:15a so everyone has time to enjoy the Easter breakfast that morning. Also, there will be childcare provided for our Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services

Our next D & D session will be on Sunday, April 12th from 4-8p. You can join in for any session, however we do need to know ahead of time if you'll be coming.

Sunday, May 3rd will be Camp Sunday! Erin Anderson, Executive Director at Clearwater, will be preaching, we'll be sharing during Moment for Mission and the Spiritual Formation Committee will be hosting a camp-themed Coffee Hour. This is a time to learn more about camp and the impact it continues to have and raise funds to send students there this summer!

Be sure to spread the word and get registered for VBS this June! The sign-up sheets and a plethora of flyers are in the narthex! Check out the flyer below with more details.

In Peace,
Laura



Our next Spiritual Formation committee meeting will be on Sunday, April 12th at 8:45a in the Youth Room.

APRIL MEETINGS

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Wednesday, April 1st at 9:30 AM

DEACONS

Wednesday, April 1st at 4:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH

Monday, April 6th at 3:30 PM

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 8th 6:15 PM

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Thursday, April 9th at 5:00 PM

VBS PLANNING

Thursday, April 9th at 5:30 PM

SF COMMITTEE

Sunday, April 12th at 8:45 AM

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, April 13th at 5:00 PM

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Monday, April 13th at 5:15 PM

SESSION

Wednesday, April 15th at 5:15 PM

MISSION COMMITTEE

Monday, April 20th at 6:01 PM

STAFF

Wednesday, April 8th & 22nd
at 12:00 PM

AA MEETING

Every Tuesday at 1:00 PM

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Tia Brown	4/4
Emmett Long	4/4
Kathy Kadlecsek	4/5
Leviella Borg	4/6
Susan Litehiser	4/6
Zack Hayes	4/7
Tim Iafrate	4/7
Halie Matthias	4/8
Kevin Ostrowski	4/8
Lisa Palmer	4/9
Gretchen Schiek	4/10
Pastor Charlotte Frantz	4/11
Erin Lanigan	4/11
Nicholas Anderson	4/12
Devon Ziebell	4/12
Tom Jacobson	4/14
Larry Johnson	4/14
Chaz Burriss	4/16
Amoy Gordon	4/19
Bryent Slagter	4/19
Jeff Schmitt	4/20
Jim Thompson	4/20
Ryan Gayken	4/21
Londa Hatch	4/24
Brian Schmitt	4/24
Anthony Simensen	4/28
Erick Vosburgh	4/30

MISSION

DONATION CENTER:

Students are back from Winter break, let's load the free pantry shelves at UWS!

- 1 Pound bags of rice (all varieties)
- Microwave rice, bowls or packages
- All types of canned/pouched protein
- Can openers, because not all canned goods have pop tops!
- Can opener drive

Please drop off in the appropriate bins at the DONATION CENTER in the narthex.
Questions? Contact Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.

Thank you,
Mission Committee

WORSHIP

<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>

WATCH WORSHIP ONLINE:

APRIL

4/5—Leviella Borg
4/12—Jane Wester
4/19—Sue Olson
4/26—Vacant

MAY

5/3—Vacant
5/10—Vacant
5/17—Vacant
5/24—Vacant
5/31—Vacant

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

The sign up sheets are available at the back of the narthex. Dates through June of 2026 are posted. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like.

CRAFTERS GROUP

The Crafters Group will meet every Wednesday in the Library at 10 AM. Please feel free to come join us with whatever craft project you would like to work on. We will not be doing organized activities, just working on our own crafts and enjoying each other's company. Join us for as long as you would like, whether that be 15 minutes, an hour, or more! Direct any questions to Londa Hatch, at 651-338-4030. If you prefer to work with yarn instead of fabric, the crafting group welcomes you too! We even have a plethora of donated skeins waiting for you to work some magic with!

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH

- Pickleball every Tuesday and Thursday 10:00 AM in the fellowship hall.
- Volleyball at UPC every Sunday at 6:00 PM.
- Munch Bunch is Friday, April 3 at 4:30 PM. It will be at UPC for the Scout's Fish Fry.
- Easter Breakfast is Sunday, April 5 at 8:30 AM. It's a free community breakfast at UPC and is a free will offering.
- Brett's sushi class is Wednesday, April 22 at 5:00 PM. \$10 per person and there is a limit to 10 people. Be on lookout for the sign-up sheet.
- Wisconsin Point (lot #1) beach clean-up is Sunday, April 26 following the service. There will be a fire and snacks!



MINISTRY OF THE DEACONS

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Ken Aker

Fran Brice

Ron & Bev Underdale

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Save the date! The rib dinner is coming up next month on Wednesday, April 29, at 4:00 PM. Be on the look out for sign-up sheets.

UPC COMMUNITY GARDEN SIGN-UP CONTINUES!

The UPC Community Garden Committee started signing up gardeners for this year's garden back in late March. We grow veggies in various pots and raised beds that are located on church grounds and at Great Lakes Elementary. The veggies are used in Community Dinners and school lunches or are donated to local food shelves. Sign-up will continue until all containers have been adopted, and folks can also sign up to help out with this project in other ways. Look for the sign-up table in the narthex after church on Sundays. Contact Deborah Schlacks at desertswan@aol.com or at 218-348-6032 with any questions.

PER CAPITA

Thank you to the many members who have paid their Per Capita apportionment. The \$40 per member Per Capita may be paid throughout the year. Thank you in advance.

Cathy Hecht, Financial Secretary

THANK YOU

Another thank you; to Scott Willoughby, Benson Electric's Top Gun, for coming to UPC and addressing 7 light fixtures that needed his expertise. As a result we are now finished with changing all 288 of our 4' fluorescent tubes to LEDS.

A note from the office, please be diligent in getting the information or articles for the UPBeat to the office by the deadline.

UPBEAT FOR MAY 2026

ISSUE DEADLINE: Monday, April 27th

THE UPBEAT APRIL 2026

From the Pastor

UPC,

Whew! What a gift it is to do ministry together. As I write this we are in the midst of Holy week prep. This year is particularly special because we have the privilege of hosting not only our community Easter sunrise service on Lake Superior again but the Churches of Superior community Good Friday service as well.

Did you know that the leadership of this church has been putting in some extra work behind the scenes over the last few months? They have! Deacons and Elders have spent time reading and then visiting church communities around the Northland. They surveyed everything about how they gather from the welcome to the goodbye. They brought that feedback to the second part of our leadership retreat. Over the next few months committees will be acting on their recommendations, big and small as we seek to be faithful to God as we welcome and worship.

Speaking of worship, our screens in the sanctuary are operational! We shared this news on social media already but I wanted to share it here as well. You won't notice too many changes in worship just yet as we roll out their use however, be prepared for some as we get rolling. The church has talked for years about the use of screens and how they can be an aid for worship. I'm thankful to our Worship & Technology committee, the staff, Session, Jim Willmore who now loves the church from afar in the fields of opportunity known as Iowa, the Presbytery of Northern Waters, generous donors in the church, and the good folks at Benson Electric. You turned a holy dream into a reality. Thank you!

There is a lot of newness at United. One thing is for sure, resurrection springs up all over the place if we would take a moment to recognize it. A powerful reminder from the Easter story that I believe is often overlooked is just how many signs before Christ's death and resurrection there were for the disciples to witness. The disciples had been journeying with Jesus for awhile. They were witnesses to miracles in the midst of the mundane. There were healings, food multiplied, a resurrection of a friend, and more. There were signs, wonders, just things that were plain different and yet...when Christ died and was buried, they ran, more than skeptical, fearful of what would become of them. They had foolish hope that appeared to be dashed by death.

Jesus defeated death with death and with the assistance of the faithful women, surprised the disciples with the truth: Life will not, can not, shall not be overcome. Today as Christians in the midst of so much struggle and turmoil in the world we are called to be on the lookout for life springing up beyond death and point to it every opportunity we have.

United Presbyterian Church continues to be a growing source and sign of life for not only Superior but the Twin Ports as a whole. We get to continue to proclaim boldly that though things are difficult, God has given us the opportunity to heal and help. As we go into this Easter season and Spring, my prayer for you all is that you would not only witness life in the midst of death but that you would experience it and share it with your neighbors in both word and deed.

Grace & Peace,

Pastor Brett