

### 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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**Church Secretary**

**Custodian**

**Director of Spiritual Formation**

**Financial Secretary**

**Nursery Coordinators** Annika Nikoi, Gretchen Schiek, & Melinda Yingling

**Organist & Pianist**

**Pastor**

**Treasurer**

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**Online Worship**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**June 8th, 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** Spirit of the Living God #288

## \*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Spirit who descended and gave us power...

**All: You are good, You get in our way, You are wild, and You love us.**

One: We have to admit, we don't always give credit to you for your work in our lives. We confess that sometimes we don't live with peace, patience, kindness or joy.

**All: God, it's hard. Sometimes people annoy us, sometimes we aren't kind, sometimes we don't consider our neighbor, especially those neighbors who are different than us.**

One: Forgive us for not living as if your Gospel is good news for the world and reserved only for people who look, think, and act like us.

**All: Forgive us for any and all prejudice towards our neighbor who is different than us.**

One: Spirit, move like a mighty rushing wind in our lives. Disrupt us with love. Surprise us with joy.

**All: Let justice roll down like waters. Melt and mold us, Holy Spirit. Come with fire, come with wind! Amen.**

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON & DECLARATION

One: Friends, the Spirit of God is at work.

**All: The Spirit moves where she wills. The Spirit shakes things up and makes God's good news known.**

One: Sometimes we are stubborn. Sometimes we do not listen to the Spirit.

**All: Yet, God is persistent. God is always showing up in our lives over and over no matter how often we sin or push back against God.**

One: We ask You, God to keep nudging us in the right direction, to keep getting in our way, to keep shaking things up. We know you will be-cause of Christ and his birth, life, sacrifice, and resurrection.

**All: Because of Christ through the power of the Spirit, we are all forgiven. Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

LaShawn Rush

Old Testament  
New Testament

Genesis 11: 1-9  
Acts 2: 1-21

## \*PASSING THE PEACE & THE MOVING OF THE SPIRIT

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)

## A PENTECOST PLAY

The Congregation Of United Presbyterian

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

## \*HYMN

On Pentecost They Gathered

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## MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

JoAnn Rush & Beth Lisak

## OFFERING

## OFFERTORY

Alex Sandor

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

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## \*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: Spirit of the living God fall afresh on us! May we through Your power share Your gospel in word and deed. May we always reach out to our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever they are from with grace. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures. May we model Your expansive justice and love. Send your grace filled Spirit like You did so many years ago on Pentecost so we can connect with, serve, and care for our congregation, Superior community, and this world. May we live your "YES!" towards all people. Amen.**

## PRAYERS TO BE SHARED

## SILENT PRAYER

## PASTORAL PRAYER

**LORD'S PRAYER** (Here's our suggested version but feel free to use the version you are most familiar with.)

**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

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

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## \*BENEDICTION

## \*POSTLUDE

## 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.
- Community Dinner—Volunteer for our Community Dinner the third Sunday in October, February, June and August.
- Twin Ports Welcome Corp—Join the TPWC and help sponsor a refugee. Questions? Contact Eric Schlacks 218-269-6678.
- Community Garden\*—Help plan and carry out the UPC Community Garden project, which provides vegetables for UPC Community Dinners and Great Lakes Elementary students. Questions? Contact Deborah Schlacks at desertswan@aol.com.
- 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). To learn more you can contact Melinda Yingling at melindayingling@gmail.com. *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 the office or Laura Foote at lmfoote.upc@gmail.com. *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.

## WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM.
- Men's Breakfast—First Saturday of every month at 9:00 AM. Contact Tom Lisak (218-348-5390) with any questions.
- Presbyterian Women—Meetings are 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 6/8

8:45 AM SF Committee  
Coffee Hour  
11:00 AM Spring Cleaning  
5:00 PM Volleyball @ Ace's

### TUESDAY 6/10

10:00 AM Pickleball  
1:00 PM AA Meeting  
5:15 PM Worship Committee  
5:30 PM Piano Recital

### THURSDAY 6/12

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

### FRIDAY 6/13

### SATURDAY 6/14

2:00 PM Vow Renewal—Ryan and Melinda Yingling

### MONDAY 6/9

3:30 PM Piano Lessons  
5:00 PM Finance Committee

### WEDNESDAY 6/11

10:00 AM Crafters Group  
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up  
4:30 PM Piano Lessons  
6:15 PM Personnel Committee

### Birthdays This Week

6/8—Joy Johnson  
6/8—John Kiel  
6/12—Kathy Lehman  
6/13—Aiden Yingling

## SCRIPTURE READING

### OLD TESTAMENT

### Genesis 11: 1-9

**11:1** Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. **2** And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. **3** And they said to one another, "Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar. **4** Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." **5** The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. **6** And the Lord said, "Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. **7** Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech." **8** So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. **9** Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth, and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PENTECOST OFFERING

We will be collecting our Pentecost offering today! Please see the insert for more details.

### SPRING CLEAN-UP

After church today we will be doing our Spring cleaning. If you're interested, please stay after as any help would be greatly appreciated!

### UPC VOLLEYBALL

UPC volleyball went 3-3 last Sunday at Ace's. Thank you to all who came out and cheered us on! Tonight's games start at 5:00 PM and 5:50 PM.

### PULPIT SWAP

As a reminder, The Reverend Lawrence Lee, Pastor at Bayfield Presbyterian and Pastor Brett will be swapping pulpits next Sunday, June 15. That means Rev. Lee will be in the pulpit here at UPC and Pastor Brett will be in Bayfield. Here is a brief bio about Rev. Lee: The Rev. Lawrence Lee has been serving Bayfield Presbyterian Church in Bayfield, Wisconsin as pastor for almost seven years, since the summer of 2018. Here in the Presbytery of Northern Waters he has previously served the United Church of Two Harbors and Pioneer Parish. He has also served various congregations in Indiana. He grew up in northwest Ohio and received his undergraduate degree in philosophy from Purdue University. He graduated from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois where his focus was on the Pauline epistles and Greek. He is also an amateur thespian and you can see his production of "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde at Chequamegon Theater Association in Ashland, Wisconsin June 13-22. He is also an avid table top board gamer and he and his wife, Marisa, have clocked over 3153 plays of different games since January, 2020 when they started keeping track.

## SCRIPTURE READING

### NEW TESTAMENT

### Acts 2: 1-21

**2:1** When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. **3** Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. **4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. **5** Now there were devout Jews from every people under heaven living in Jerusalem. **6** And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. **7** Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? **9** Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, **11** Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." **12** All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" **13** But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." **14** But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Fellow Jews and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. **15** Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. **16** No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: **17** 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. **18** Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. **19** And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. **20** The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. **21** Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

### 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:

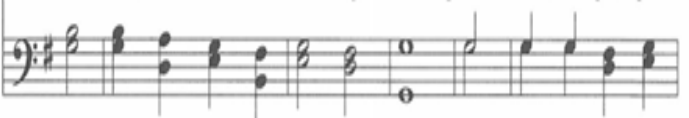
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## All Blessings Flow

Doxology



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



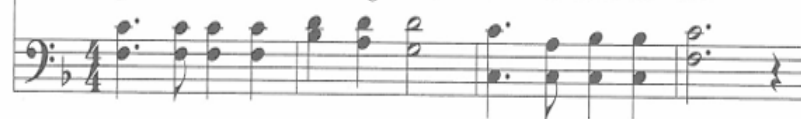
here be-low; praise Ho-ly Spir-it ev-er-more;



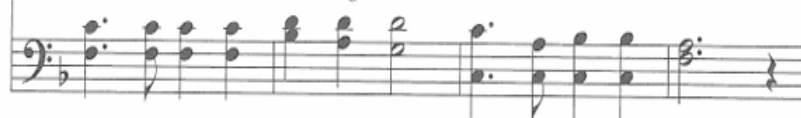
praise Tri-une God, whom we a-dore. A-men.



Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.



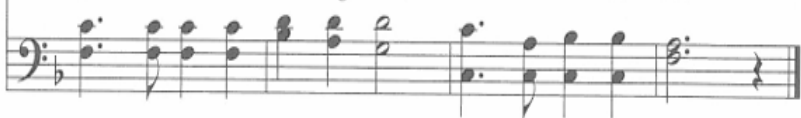
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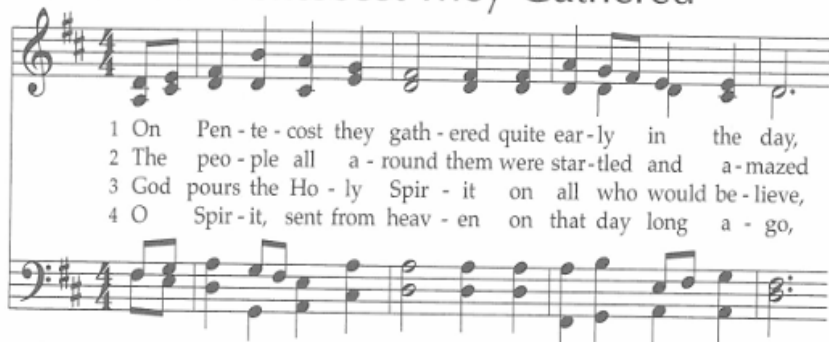
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.



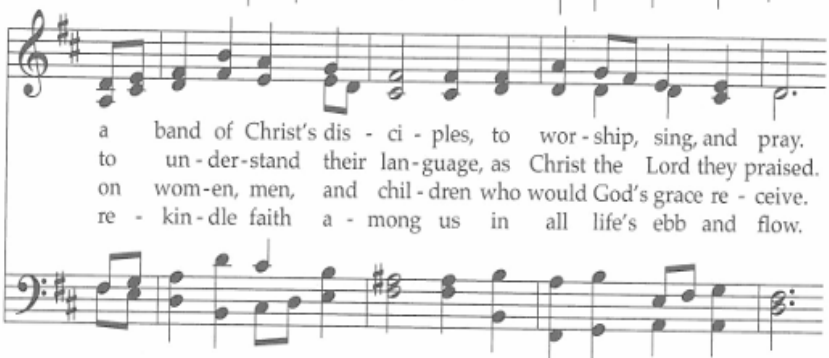
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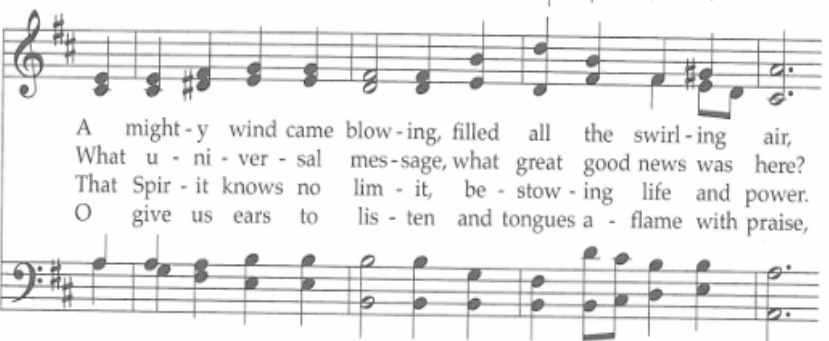
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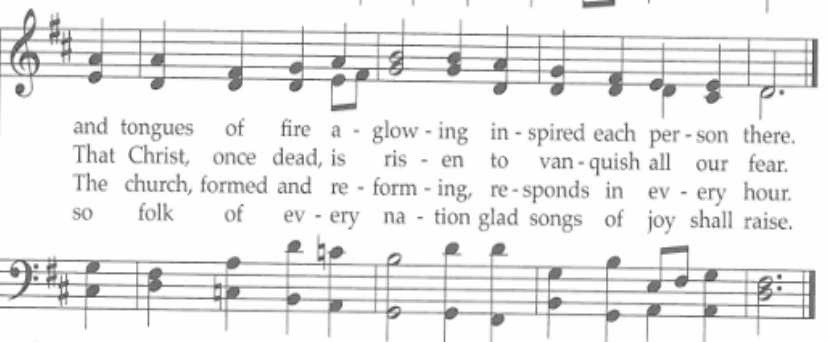
1 On Pen - te - cost they gath - ered quite ear - ly in the day,  
 2 The peo - ple all a - round them were star - tled and a - mazed  
 3 God pours the Ho - ly Spir - it on all who would be - lieve,  
 4 O Spir - it, sent from heav - en on that day long a - go,



a band of Christ's dis - ci - ples, to wor - ship, sing, and pray.  
 to un - der - stand their lan - guage, as Christ the Lord they praised.  
 on wom - en, men, and chil - dren who would God's grace re - ceive.  
 re - kin - dle faith a - mong us in all life's ebb and flow.



A might - y wind came blow - ing, filled all the swirl - ing air,  
 What u - ni - ver - sal mes - sage, what great good news was here?  
 That Spir - it knows no lim - it, be - stow - ing life and power.  
 O give us ears to lis - ten and tongues a - flame with praise,



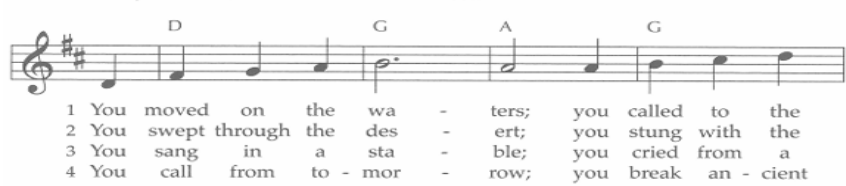
and tongues of fire a - glow - ing in - spired each per - son there.  
 That Christ, once dead, is ris - en to van - quish all our fear.  
 The church, formed and re - form - ing, re - sponds in ev - ery hour.  
 so folk of ev - ery na - tion glad songs of joy shall raise.

# 291 Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

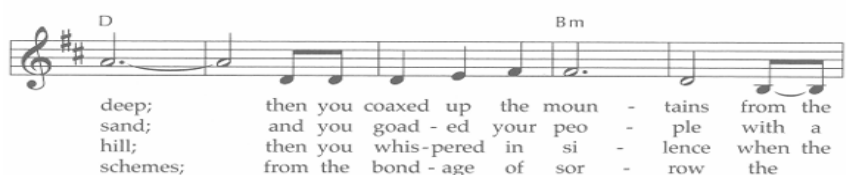
Refrain Spirit



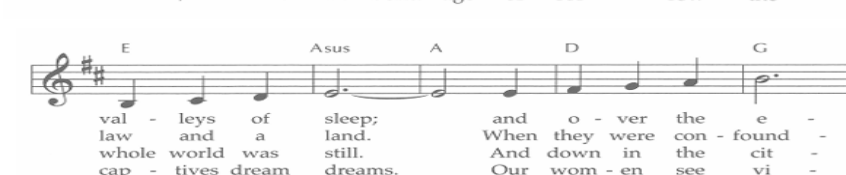
Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the  
 wil - der - ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,  
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 wind, wind on the sea. Fine



1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the  
 2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the  
 3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a  
 4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient



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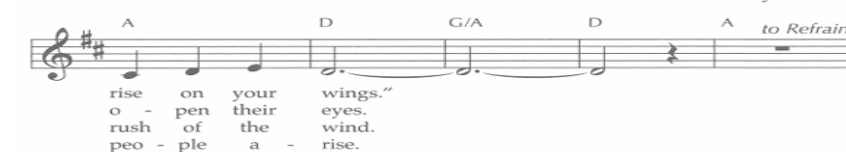
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 whole world was still. And down in the cit -  
 cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -



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 ed with i - dols and a lies, then you  
 y; you called once a gain when you  
 sions; our men clear their eyes. With



wake from your slum - bers and  
 spoke through your proph - ets to  
 blew through your peo - ple on the  
 bold new de - ci - sions your



rise on your wings."  
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 rush of the wind.  
 peo - ple a - rise.

to Refrain