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http://upc-superior.com/youtube

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) or by contacting the church by email or phone with your request.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 (<u>jan KB9LTA@yahoo.com</u>) or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

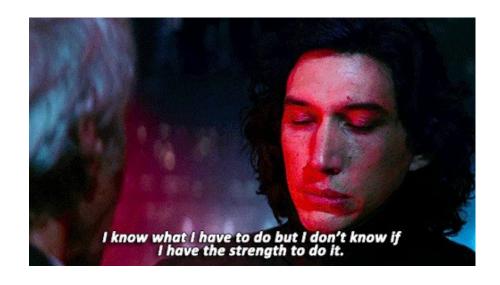
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Online Worship

Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday
February 11th, 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.

PRELUDE WELCOME

Alex Sandor

*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT

Lord, Prepare Me (2x)

#701

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray...

All: God, you give us the strength, will, and peace for the moments you call us to. You are good even in the midst of change and the grief and joy that can come with it. We praise you for the ways in which you prepare us and our hearts, letting us know what comes next. Forgive us when we turn away from your holy nudges. Forgive us when we can't accept what may come next. Help us when the burden of the moment becomes too heavy to bare. Move in and through us as we move toward the reconciliation of all things. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

*HYMN

When Morning Guilds the Skies

#667

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, the writer, philosopher, and professor Audre Lorde wrote in Sister Outsiders: Essays and Speeches that we should: "Next time, ask: What's the worst that will happen? Then push yourself a little further than you dare. Once you start to speak, people will yell at you. They will interrupt you, put you down and suggest it's personal. And the world won't end. And the speaking will get easier and easier. And you will find you have fallen in love with your own vision, which you may never have realized you had." Push yourself a little further, go with God, say what needs to be said, do what needs to be done, come to grips with what is taking place. Sometimes it will be difficult, sometimes there will be grief or joy. For all the times we don't follow God's lead and don't do what we are called to do, there's grace upon grace upon grace cascading like Little Manitou Falls for us. Know this holy truth: Because of Christ's birth, life, death and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven!

*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 Halle, Halle, Hallelujah! (2x,Refrain only) #591

SCRIPTURE READINGS
New Testament Reading

Christy Wilmore Mark 9:2-9

#177

CHANCEL CHOIR ANTHEM

SERMON "I Know What I Have To Do: I Just Don't Know If I Have The Strength to Do It" Rev. Brett M Foote

Old Testament Reading 2 Kings 2:1-6, 8, 11-12

*HYMN I Will Come to You

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor *RESPONSE Praise God #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise God, all creatures high and low, Allelujah... Praise God, in Jesus fully known Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Allelujah....

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of the holy nudge, thank you for the gifts of love before us, thank you for making yourself known to us in Jesus! Help us to elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized or hurt by society. Help us to give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we model your expansive justice and love. Send your powerful Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for each of our communities: Superior, Duluth, and Coleraine. We want others to know your "love that goes into the far country." Amen.

Prayers to be Shared Please email or call 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; 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 Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining #192

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

2 Kings 2:1-6, 8, 11-12

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent." Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here, for the Lord has sent me to Jericho." But he said, "As the Lord lives and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?" And he answered, "Yes, I know; keep silent."

Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the Lord lives and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on.

Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and the two of them crossed on dry ground.

As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 2/11

8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal 9:00 AM Spiritual Formation Committee

10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church

11:45 AM Volleyball

MONDAY 2/12

5:00 PM Finance Committee 6:15 PM Piano Lessons

TUESDAY 2/13

10 AM Pickleball 6 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM Personnel Committee

Birthdays This Week

2/11 Rosa Palmer

2/15 Ed Anderson 2/15 Betty Nickolas

2/15 Diedrick Nikoi

2/15 Eric Schlacks

2/16 Doug Standen

2/17 Kelsi Evenstad

WEDNESDAY 2/14

10:00 AM Imposition of Ashes at UWS Yellowjacket Union 10:00 AM Crafters 1:00 PM Ladies Valentines Day Bingo 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Service

THURSDAY 2/15

10 AM Pickleball 6:15 PM Session 7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 2/16

SATURDAY 2/17

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesdays, February 21-March 19 5:45 Lenten suppers 6:15 Lenten services

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GET INVOLVED

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United! Two great ways that are available year-round are to sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship, or to host a coffee hour following the service. There are sign up sheets available at the back of the Narthex under the calendar!

NURSERY AVAILABILITY

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before the service begins for children who are newborn through 4 years old. Once checked in, your young ones can play in a safe environment during worship.

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, from there they will go together to the Youth room for Children's Church! This is a time designed specifically for our young ones to learn and grow in their faith.

PICKLEBALL AND PIZZA

On Friday, February 23rd middle and high school students are invited to come play Pickleball and eat pizza together! This will take the place of our Second Sunday Student Dinner, as the Super Bowl falls on that day. This event will be in the gym from 6-8p! No worries if you've never played—we'll teach ya! Bring a friend and come on out for a fun time together! If you have any questions, reach out to Laura after the service or by emailing: Imfoote.upc@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

You can join us for pickleball **Tuesdays or Thursdays from 10 AM-12 PM**. We hope to see you there!

Volleyball will be playing **every Sunday at 6 PM** unless there is an announcement stating otherwise!

On **February 14th** we will be having a Ladies Valentine's Day Bingo from 1-3 PM! Invite a friend for fun games of bingo, with prizes! There will be a light lunch, good conversation, and lots of laughs!

On **February 18th** we will be having our annual SPUD DAY following the worship service! Included in this event are potatoes and all the fixings!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY AND LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS AND SERVICES

The joint Ash Wednesday service with Pioneer Parish will be held on February 14, 2024 at 6:30 pm at UPC. This service will include the imposition of ashes for all who wish to participate.

Lenten Soup Suppers will be held on February 21st, 28th, March 6th, 13th, and 20th. The supper will begin at 5:45 with a service following at 6:15. Signup sheets for soup, bread and milk are on the table in the narthex.

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Thursday, February 8th, Douglas County is at a **Low COVID-19 Community Level**. At this level, the Session-approved guidelines recommend that our community members stay up to date on vaccinations, mask in spaces with older folks and other potentially immunocompromised individuals, and stay home when sick.

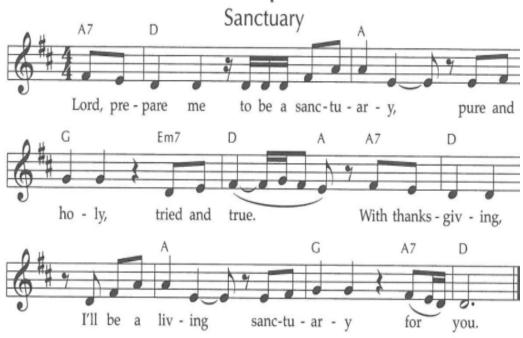
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At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God. From signing up to volunteer to donating financially, if you'd like to support the mission and vision of the church you can do so at the following link:

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



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667 When Morning Gilds the Skies





609 Praise God, from Whom





177 I Will Come to You You Are Mine Leader or All D 1 "I will come to in the si - lence; you 2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less; 3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing, the Word that leads all to free - dom; Esus will lift you from all your fear. am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the heal-ing for the ones who dwell in shame. am the peace the world can - not give. C# D F#m You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be shad-ows of the night, 7 I will be your light. 7 All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand Esus Esus still and know I am here. (to stanza 2) Come and rest in me. (to Refrain) will know my (to Refrain) name. now walk up, and live! (to Refrain) Refrain All D F#m7 Do not be a-fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by F#m F#m7 Come and fol-low me, I will bring you home; name. Esus E A E D D E

4 "I

love you and you are mine."

192 Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

Shine, Jesus, Shine



