



UPBeat

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UPBEAT FOR April 2024

Issue Deadline: Tuesday, March 19th at 1 PM

Mailing: Wednesday, March 27th

DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION?



Remember to contact the church office whenever there is a change with your mailing address, phone number, email or any other information that you feel should be shared or updated. Email addresses are useful for contacting the congregation with mid-week cancelations or changes in meetings.

Feel free to leave a note on the secretary's desk, send an e-mail, or call the church office at: 715-392-4751 or

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	01 5-7 PM Scouts Fish Fry	02 6PM AA Speaker Meetings
03 8:45AM Chancel Choir 10:00AM Worship 10:15AM Children's Church 6:00PM Scouts	04 2:00 pm Fellowship & OR 6:15-8 PM Piano Lessons	05 10:00 AM Pickleball 4:30 PM Worship Committee 6 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal	06 9:30AM PW Meeting 10AM Crafters group PM Staff Meeting (Zoom) 4:00 PM Deacon Meeting 5:45 PM Soup Supper 6:15PM Lenten Service	07 10 AM - 12 PM Pickleball 7 PM AA Meeting	08 5-7 PM Scouts Fish Fry	09 10 AM OA LEC
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31 6:40 AM Easter Sunrise 8:30 AM Easter Brunch 9:00 AM Chancel Choir 9:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM Worship 10:15AM Childrens Church	01	02	03 SUNDAY WORSHIP IS AVAILABLE LIVE ONLINE AT: http://upc-superior.com/youtube	04	05	06

Spiritual Formation: For Ages & Stages Committee

Contact: Laura Foote, Director of Spiritual Formation, at Imfoote.upc@gmail.com

Hello United!

On Ash Wednesday a group of us went to UW-Superior to offer glitter ashes—with a non-glitter option as well. This was a beautiful time, and I am so grateful we were able to work alongside the Gender Equity Resource Center to provide an inclusive on-campus spiritual experience.

Our nursery and Children's Church has been rockin'! If you don't know yet, Children's Church is a time designed specifically for our young ones, ages 5 through 5th grade, to learn and grow in their faith. We gather after the Passing the Peace during the Sunday morning service.

Our partnership with Great Lakes has been a continued source of joy! Recently the Superior Telegram came to do a story about our UPC volunteers! Hopefully our partnership can be an inspiration for other churches to get involved more and support our local schools! Y'all, this is what it is to be the light of the world. As much as we have been a support, I have to say getting to know the educators and kiddos over at Great Lakes has been a gift! Brett and I volunteer on Monday mornings and that has been one of the best ways to begin the week.

As a vegan I'm not very keen on hunting, BUT Easter is coming... so you better believe we're going to have an Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 31 at 9:15am! I'll be hiding so many eggs that folks of any age can go ahead and enjoy an egg or two. :)

Please reach out if you have any questions or want to connect more!

With Joy,
Laura

Community Garden

SF Dates

Children's Church is every Sunday following the Passing the Peace portion of the service.

The Spiritual Formation Committee will meet at 9 AM, on March 17th in the Youth room.

Our Easter Egg Hunt will take place 9:15am on Sunday, March 31st

Check out the online calendar and the weekly bulletin for additions and/or changes throughout the month!

Get ready for this year's UPC Community Garden! We will start signing up gardeners and other garden helpers on Sunday, March 17. Watch for the details in the bulletin as the date approaches. Questions? Contact Deborah Schlacks at desertswan@aol.com or at 218-348-6032.



If you are interested in listening to children read at Great Lakes Elementary, sign up sheets are available in the office. Please reach out to Laura at Imfoote.upc@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like more information!

Fellowship and Outreach

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Ken & Marianne Aker
 Fran Brice
 Gloria Neuman
 Ron & Bev Underdale
 Susan Litehiser

SUPERIOR REHAB, Superior, WI

Ken Uvila

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss

IN THE HOSPITAL

Janice Parish

NEW YORK

The Okash Family—Prayer given by the Lisak Family



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!

Byron Card	3/1
Skylar Rogge	3/1
Ian Schoenike	3/2
David Waite	3/3
Zachary Hecht	3/4
Robert Mertz	3/6
Jackie VanErt	3/7
Don Jensen	3/7
JoAnn Rush	3/9
Keaton Perkins	3/9
Owen Schulz	3/9
Emma Buckley	3/11
Grace Johnson	3/12
Jim Willmore	3/12
Alex Ely	3/14
Sherri Rude	3/14
Becky Kirk	3/15
Dolores Larson	3/15
Melanie Johnson	3/17
Joel Huenemann	3/17
Dianne Waite	3/18
Mary Peterson	3/19
Skye Palmer	3/20
Leroy Hanson	3/21
Karen Johnson	3/30

Please be diligent in getting the information or articles for the Up-Beat to the office by the deadline.

Presbyterian Women

The monthly gathering of UPC's Presbyterian Women will be on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 9:30 AM at the church. Hostesses will be Kathy Jensen and Susan Litehiser. Devotions will be by Dolores Larson. All women are cordially invited to attend.

Mission



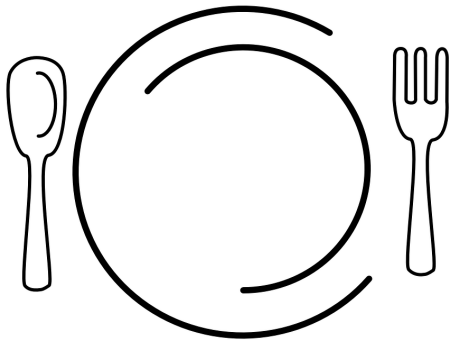
COMMUNITY DINNER

March 17th

The Community Dinner will be on
March 17th at 3:45 PM.

The menu for this month includes:

Pulled pork sandwiches, chips, fruit salad and
watergate cake.



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE WISHLIST:

Juice boxes
Coffee creamers
Individually packaged snacks
Canned black beans
Tortilla chips
Boxes of pasta, sauces, and tomato paste
Toilet paper



RUTH HOUSE WISHLIST

Bottled water
Paper towels
Garbage bags
All purpose cleaners and bleach
Paper products and plastic
silverware
Hamburger, chicken, and
hotdogs
Cream soups
Hand warmers
Chicken and beef broth
Sugar
Sleeping bags
Backpacks



JoAnn Rush (218-391-5304) is willing to col-
lect donations from church and
deliver them to Ruth House.

Events

CRAFTERS GROUP

The Crafters Group will meet every 2nd and
4th 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.

Worship



**WATCH ALL WORSHIP
SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:**

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

March Meetings

**STAFF MEETING - Every other Wednesday
12:00 PM. (Zoom)**

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 at 4:30 PM**

**BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING
Wednesday, March 6th, 2024 at 4:00 PM**

**FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING
Monday, March 4th, 2024 at 2:00 PM**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, March 11th, 2024 at 5 PM**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING
Wednesday, March 13th, 2024 at 6:15 PM**

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS MEETING
Thursday, March 14th, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION MEETING
Sunday, March 10th, 2024 at 9 AM**

**CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP—
Wednesday, March 20th, 2024 at 1:00 PM
If you have questions, call Luann Tiede at
715-394-3611.**

**SESSION MEETING
Thursday, March 21st, 2024 at 6:15 PM**

**MISSION COMMITTEE
Thursday, March 28th, 2024 at 4:30 PM**

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
Wednesday, March 6 at 9:30 AM**

Liturgists

March

**3/3—Jane Wester
3/10—Sue Olson
3/17—Dustin Anderson
3/24—Tom Vosburgh
3/28—Jane Wester
3/31—Vacant**

If you would like to fill any vacancies...

The sign up sheets are available at the back of the Narthex. Dates through March of 2024 are posted. You may also call or email the office to sign up for a vacant date if you would like.

Being a liturgist is a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.

Finance

February Income & Expenses

Operating Income (Offering, donation, building use fees, per capita, and interest):	\$14,534.21
Operating Expenses (Ministry, worship, education, property, personnel expenses):	\$16,328.94
Decrease in January	-\$1,794.73
Next Finance Committee meeting: Monday, March 11 at 5:00 pm	

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>

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From the Pastor...

I'm praying everyone has a mindful Lent, a meaningful Holy Week, and a joyous Easter as we celebrate our risen Lord Jesus! Easter comes early this year and I'm truly looking forward to it. I hope to see you over the next few weeks and especially at Easter time.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Brett



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From the Pastor...

United Presbyterian,

An extra long February has given way to the month of March. February was such a beautiful month. We held an incredibly productive leadership retreat at Camp Amnicon which you'll hear much more about throughout the year, celebrated Ash Wednesday on campus at The University of Wisconsin-Superior as well as at church with our traditional combined service with Pioneer Parish, we held our first Wednesday night Lenten services, and processed and reviewed roughly 25 candidates for our open secretary position here at UPC.

Thank you to our search & interview team made up of folks from Personnel and Pioneer Parish. We are happy to announce that we have hired our new secretary, Reese Stariha. His first full week in the office will be the week of March 4. Please stop by and welcome him, send an email, mail a card, or give him a ring on the church telephone. We are really thankful to have someone so enthusiastic about the position.

Our new set of Ruling Elders and Deacons officially begin their work this month! We are looking forward to their leadership and service in the church and community. In addition, we have a Get To Know United Class finishing their gatherings up. Expect even more new faces around in the congregation if you haven't noticed them already!

There are more changes coming! Before we get to the big change: Don't forget your water bottle. You'll notice our brand new water bottle filler fountain is up and running right outside of the gym. It's a great new resource for the many sports teams that use our facilities as well as the internal sports and fellowship activities we run such as pickleball, volleyball and more.

At the beginning of March we have new carpet (carpet squares to be exact) being installed throughout the building starting with the sanctuary and making it's way to the rest of the carpeted parts of the church. The advantage of using the square system is that if any part of the carpet gets damaged or stained beyond our best cleaning efforts, we can simply take that one square up instead of redoing the whole carpet or living with the stain. It's a great system and really durable! Better yet, much of the carpet is made with post consumer recycled materials.

Throughout March our Lenten soup suppers and creative prayer services will continue every Wednesday through Wednesday, March 20. The following week is Holy week. Here's our Holy week schedule: Sunday, March 24 is Palm Sunday and we will wave palm branches together as we celebrate Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Thursday, March 28 we'll celebrate Maundy Thursday with a communion service at UPC. we will reflect on Good Friday and it's implications for our lives on March 29 with many of the churches of Superior at Pilgrim Lutheran Church on Belknap St. at 6:00 p.m. Children are welcome in worship.

Holy Week culminates with Easter Sunday! We have our sunrise service with the churches of Superior out on Wisconsin point, parking lot #1 at...you guessed it, sunrise (roughly 6:45 a.m.)! Then we have Easter breakfast at UPC, an egg hunt for all of our kids and families, and we finish with our Easter morning worship at UPC at 10:00 a.m. More details about all of these services and events to come in time!