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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) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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Online Worship

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10th, 2022

10:00 a.m.

If you are at home, please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

* Please rise in body or spirit

PRELUDE Alex Sandor
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*INTROIT I Love You, Lord (x2) #627

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Adapted from Psalm 131*)

One: O Lord, our hearts are not lifted up this morning.

All: Our eyes are not raised too high.

One: We do not occupy ourselves with things too great and too marvelous for us.

All: But we have calmed and quieted our souls, like weaned children with our mothers;

One: Our souls within us are like weaned children.

All: As chosen ones of God, let us hope in the Lord from this time on and forever more.

*HYMN I Sing the Mighty Power of God #32

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ADORATION

One: Let us pray.

All: God who calls us in the midst of our lives, not just during the mountaintop moments, but in the day to day. We praise you for your work within us no matter where we are at. We praise you for making the body of Christ so diverse. We praise you for the stirring of the Spirit that calls each one of us to proclaim messages from you. We confess that often we find ourselves questioning the messages you've given us. We confess to believing with our actions that following Christ has little to no implications for our lives. Forgive us for living as if we never hear from you. Forgive us for ignoring your call in our lives. Refine us, reform us, and sanctify us. Through the power of your Holy Spirit may we boldly proclaim truth. Make us holy. In the name of Christ, we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Levi MacAllister wrote in a fragment of his poem *As Far as the East is from The (Navel to The) West*: "Cruciform certitude is easily abused, and there's no better shape for us to use as a scepter. But a specter of truth – like a phantom limb – still itches in my memories/ like a flash in a photo booth that leaves light afloat in its wake. I don't know what to say. Say it./ "I don't know what to say."/ Say it./ "I've got nothing to say and no direction to give," and my friends said, "that's perfect - tell it exactly how it is."/ I don't know what to say./ Say it./ But I still hear echoes that can only exist in empty places, and whether they are hearts or tombs, if the ghost that I all but gave up to his grave can leave it behind, well, I am shaped exactly like the vacancy signs./ advertising spaces that still need residence./ I thought that God could only exist in sonnets and villanelles, but you should see their freeform./ I hope that my Jesus is bigger than all of my heresy, but before you agree, I hope that yours is, too."

MacAllister is discussing the church and its problematic past. How words from the church can have a lasting impact on people in a negative sense and how certainty and "truth" can be abused. However, that should not stop us from sharing the messages God has for us. Of course we need to be prayerful about what we share but we need to "say it." We need to still proclaim boldly even if sometimes we get it wrong. That's the good news, God is still speaking prophetically into the life of the church, God is

still speaking prophetically through us all even when we get it wrong or we ignore the call. God still loves us and God will still work in and through us to make God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: because of Christ's birth, life, death, and especially his resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those around you with the words, "**Christ be with you.**" In response you may say "**And also with you!**" (You may pass the peace in the comments section if online. In person, say hello to others and connect. Please minimize contact.)

RESPONSE (*Children please come forward at this time*):

Jesus Loves Me #188

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Laura Foote

SCRIPTURE READINGS

New Testament Reading

Jackie Pananen
Colossians 1:1-14

SERMON "Modern Day Prophets: Cattle Farmers & DNR Workers"

Old Testament Reading

Rev. Brett M Foote
Amos 7:7-15

*HYMN

This is My Song

#340

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR MISSION

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE

Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son (2x)

And now let the weak say, "We are strong"

Let the poor say, "We are rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us!" (2x)

Give thanks, give thanks.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of the prophets, we offer all our gifts to you, our lives, our passions and so much more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our mission and vision as the church, as we love alongside our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of your gifts and may we be loving neighbors. In each and every gift we give, whether it be time, talents, or treasures, may we reflect Christ to others. May we live with your mercy and grace. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know your love and grace. In the name of the Holy Trinity, 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, You Have Come to the Lakeshore #721
*BENEDICTION
*POSTLUDE

Alex Sandor

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Amos 7:7-15

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the Lord said to me, 'Amos, what do you see?' And I said, 'A plumb-line.' Then the Lord said, 'See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.'

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, 'Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."'

And Amaziah said to Amos, 'O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.' Then Amos answered Amaziah, 'I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and the Lord said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 7/10

10:00 AM Morning Worship

MONDAY 7/11

TUESDAY 7/12

10 AM Pickleball

3-7 PM Piano Lessons

6 PM Softball @ 58th St Field 3

WEDNESDAY 7/13

2-6 PM CSA Pickup

THURSDAY 7/14

5:30 PM CYF Bonfire @ Girl Scout Point

7 PM AA Meeting

FRIDAY 7/15

SATURDAY 7/16

Birthdays This Week

7/10 Wayne Phelps

7/11 Irene Eskelson

7/11 Gloria Neuman

7/12 John Voss

7/15 Joshua Johnson

7/15 Tyler Kiel

7/15 Ben Petite

7/15 Jan Letsos

LOOKING AHEAD

July 19
July 22

Pizza in the Park
UPBeat Deadline

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

CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

We are currently encouraging masking. There is no longer a hiatus on eating together. Session will continue to monitor the situation through the Public Health Department of Douglas County.

NURSERY AVAILABILITY

The nursery is now staffed 15 minutes before the service until 15 minutes after for children from new born up through 4 years old. The nursery is located to the left of the Narthex when facing the front, through the two glass doors, and it is the first door on the right.

LITURGIST & COFFEE HOUR SIGN UP

There are two sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex, one to sign up to host our coffee hours following the service, and one where you can sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship services. These are both great opportunities to get involved with the church!

COMMUNITY GARDEN GOING STRONG; COMMITTEE SEEKS NEW MEMBERS

The UPC Community Garden is going strong! Crops are springing up apace, and fencing has recently been erected around our various garden containers to keep the critters away from them. Take a look when you're at church. With all that in mind, the Garden Committee is looking to expand so that all these efforts are well supported. If you are interested in helping with this year's gardening and in planning for next year's, please consider joining us. We meet on the first Monday of each month (except July) at 4 pm (but would be open to moving the meeting time if a new member could not meet then). Not sure if you want to join? Contact Deborah Schlacks at 218-348-6032 or at desertswan@aol.com for more information, or come to our next meeting (Monday, August 1 at 4 pm) to find out more.

CSA FOODS

If you're looking for fresh, local veggies, meat, breads, and cheeses, look no further than Bayfield CSA Foods! Bayfield CSA drops off boxes of fresh food shares from a variety of local farmers every Wednesday, where they can be picked up right here at the church! Simply sign up online at the link below, pick a box type, pickup frequency, and put in United Presbyterian Church as the pickup location. Pickup is from 2-6 PM on Wednesday. Link to sign up: <https://www.harvie.farm/profile/bayfield-foods>

SOFTBALL

Softball season is here! If you are looking for a fun way to get to know others, come out and join us this summer for softball! If you would like more information, connect with Laura after the service, or by sending an email to lmfoote.upc@gmail.com.

PLAY BY PLAY BY JAY

There was no softball this week. Our next game will be July 12th at 58th St Field 3 vs Renew Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

We are ready for donations for the summer! We are currently accepting: **toiletry items (toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, chapstick, lotion, floss, deodorant, etc.), canned/sealed food items that are not expired, water bottles, sunscreen, hats and/or visors, and sunglasses.** Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. Thank you!

SUMMER BONFIRES

Every 2nd Thursday of the month this summer we will be having a bonfire at Girl Scout Point in Billings Park (aka the big fire pit overlooking the river). Come join us for s'mores, food, singing around the fire, and games! Bring a friend or two or three! If the weather isn't all that good we will gather in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars for June 9, July 14, and August 11 at 5:30p and come on out. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to Laura by sending an e-mail to lmfoote.upc@gmail.com.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH

F&O will host their next event July 27th at 6:30 PM. The very talented trio of ladies, known as Ambrosia will be performing tunes all night long at UPC. There will be a small concession stand with items for purchase. Please mark your calendars for another fabulous night of fun!

SUPERIOR REBUILD PROJECT PT.1

We have a Superior Rebuild project opportunity for the whole family on Tuesday, July 26 doing Demo work at 5630 Ogden Avenue @ 9:00 a.m! The work will consist of tearing down a deck. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Any member of the church is welcome to join us no matter their skill level. There will be plenty of work especially for students and young adults. We will have several skilled volunteers working with us to ensure everyone is safe and pointing their noses in the right direction. Be on the lookout for a Pt. 2 date where we construct a set of stairs and a landing from the back of the house. Come get your hands dirty and put your faith into action! If you have any questions please reach out to Pastor Brett.

OUR SABBATH MONTH & CHURCH WIDE POTLUCK

United, as a reminder we will be taking the month of July off from all committee meetings as a concerted effort to rest as a church. This will culminate with a church wide potluck in Billings Park at Pavilion 1 on Thursday, August 4 at 5:30 p.m. Please bring a plate, utensils, and cup as well as a dish or dessert to share. Some food and snacks (as well as backup utensils and plates) will be provided by the church. We will have Cornhole and a few others games to be played as well. We hope to see everyone there. Last years potluck was amazing and we are hoping for a great time again.

I Love You, Lord

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I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to

wor - ship you; O my soul, re - joice. Take

joy, my King, in what you hear; may it be a

sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun - tains rise,
2 I sing the good - ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
God formed the crea - tures through the Word, and then pro - nounced them
And clouds a - rise, and tem - pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis - dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
good. Lord, how thy won - ders are dis - played, wher - e'er I turn my eye,
throne, while all that bor - rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com - mand, and all the stars o - bey.
if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
and ev - ery - where that we can be, thou, God, art pres - ent there.

This Is My Song

1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 2 My coun - try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
 3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king - doms:

a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
 and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
 thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.

This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
 But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
 Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

Tú has venido a la orilla



1 Lord, you have come to the lake - shore look - ing
 2 You know so well my pos - ses - sions; my boat
 3 You need my hands, full of car - ing, through my
 4 You, who have fished oth - er o - ceans, ev - er



nei - ther for wealth - y nor wise ones; you on - ly
 car - ries no gold and no weap - ons; ¶ you will
 la - bors to give oth - ers rest and con - stant
 longed for by souls who are wait - ing, my lov - ing



asked me to fol - low hum - bly.
 find there my nets and la - bor.
 love that keeps on lov - ing.
 friend, as thus you call me:

Refrain / Estribillo



O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, and while
Se - ñor, me has mi - ra - do a los o - jos, son - ri -



smil - ing have spo - ken my name; now my
en - do has di - cho mi nom - bre, en la a -



boat's left on the shore - line be - hind me. By your
re - na he de - ja - do mi bar - ca, jun - to a



side I will seek oth - er seas.
ti bus - ca - ré o - tro mar.