

## WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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If you'd like to join us for Sunday worship service live, please go to our Facebook page or YouTube and connect with the following link:

<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  
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### Online Worship

**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 10th, 2023**

**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** Alex Sandor

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT**  
Sing a New Song Unto the Lord #276

**PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: Let us pray.

**All: We owe our life and breath to you, O God. You created the wind that gives us breath in our lungs. You love us. We praise you for all of this and more. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. May we owe only love to you and our neighbors. May we reflect your son, Christ Jesus to each and every person we meet. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee #611

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: We can always do more for our neighbors. We can always say more kind things to our neighbors, and love them more. We'll never be able to do it all. We can't love as much as we want to. That's ok. No matter how much we do, we can't earn God's love, it's freely given. For the times when we could have loved more, there's grace for that. Because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...

**All: We are all forgiven. Amen.**

**\*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** Our God is an Awesome God (3x) #616

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Tom Vosburgh  
Old Testament Reading Exodus 12:1-14

**SERMON** "All We Are Called To Owe: Love" Rev. Brett M Foote  
New Testament Reading Romans 13:8-14

**\*HYMN** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling #366

**MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY** Alex Sandor

**\*RESPONSE** We Give Thee But Thine Own (vs. 1) #708  
We give thee but thine own,  
Whate'er the gift may be;  
All that we have is thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from thee.

**PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: God of perfect love, cast out all of our fears about the future. Bless us so that we may be a blessing to our neighbors and fellow pilgrims. Bless us so that we might elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized. Bless others as we give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we represent your expansive love. Help us to let others know they are beloved. Help us to connect with, serve, and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, La Pointe and the rest of the Northland may 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** What a Friend We Have In Jesus #465

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** Alex Sandor

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

***Exodus 12:1-14***

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbour in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgements: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

***Romans 13:8-14***

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

**United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar**

**SUNDAY 9/10**

8:45 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
8:45 AM Spiritual Formation Committee  
10:00 AM Morning Worship  
10:15 AM Children's Church  
Following Service: Adult Ed – CASDA  
6 PM Boy Scouts

**MONDAY 9/11**

8 AM Beet Pickling  
5 PM Finance Committee

**TUESDAY 9/12**

10 AM Pickleball  
4 PM Special Deacon Meeting  
4:30 PM Worship Committee  
6 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal

**WEDNESDAY 9/13**

10 AM Pickleball  
10 AM Crafters Group  
12 PM Staff Meeting  
2-6 PM CSA Pickup  
6:15 PM Personnel Committee

**THURSDAY 9/14**

6 PM Buildings and Grounds  
7 PM AA Meeting

**FRIDAY 9/15**

**SATURDAY 9/16**

**Birthdays This Week**

9/11 Willem McClellan  
9/13 Darrel Granquist  
9/14 Jan Parish  
9/16 Marcy Lee Price  
9/16 Trent Sikorski

**LOOKING AHEAD**

September 18-20 Rev. Josh Heikkala Visit  
September 24 Back to School Blessing  
September 26 Harvest Home Dinner

**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

### 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!

### INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

We are fully stocked! Thank you to all who have donated! If you have items you are wanting to donate, please consider another organization. There is a box for Ruth House and a box for Salvation Army on the back table in the narthex.

### WELCOME NURSERY COORDINATORS

On behalf of the Personnel committee, we would like to welcome Annika Nikoi & Danielle Brady-Anderson to the staff as our new Nursery Coordinators!

### 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. *There will be no Children's Church on September 17, children are invited to remain in the service and learn about the mission experience to Asheville, NC!*

### BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING

During the service on September 24 we will be having a special blessing for all of our students, teachers, and leaders that are beginning a new school year!

### SMALL GROUP FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Calling all middle and high school students! On October 1st we will be starting a six-week study called: Worship at the Table. This will be a time to build community with one another, reflect on scripture and how it intertwines with our lives, and enjoy a delicious meal together! This group will be led by Laura Foote and Don Jensen, and will meet on Sundays at 6:30p at Laura and Brett's home. If you have any questions or are planning to come, please reach out to Laura after the service or send an email to [lmfoote.upc@gmail.com](mailto:lmfoote.upc@gmail.com).

### FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS

Join us for pickleball every **Tuesday** and **Wednesday at 10:00 AM**.

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### SUPERIOR REBUILD FORMS

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance with a large scale or small scale project, such as home repairs or upgrades, Superior Rebuild would like to help! There are forms available at the back of the narthex that can be filled out with details about the work that needs to be done. Once they are filled out, feel free to put them into the offering plate, mailbox, or in the office. You may also scan and email the form to the office if that is convenient for you.

### COMMUNITY DINNER

Please join us for our free Community Dinner next Sunday, September 17th. Dine in is available from 4-5 PM, then at 5 PM, leftover meals will be packaged up and distributed for anyone who would like to enjoy a hot meal at home instead. We cannot guarantee pick up availability, nor can we distribute pickups any earlier than 5 PM. We will be having a harvest meal, consisting of foods grown in our community garden. If you would like to volunteer to help with set up or serving, any and all assistance would be welcomed! Check the sign up sheets at the back of the Narthex for volunteer times.

### 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating UPC's 25th Anniversary the evening of October 7th, at Barker's Island Inn. Social time will begin at 5 PM, followed by a buffet dinner at 6 PM, Love Creamery Ice Cream for dessert at 6:45 PM, and a program to begin at 7 PM. Tickets are currently on sale—they are \$20 for adults, and \$10 for children 10 & under.

### CASDA VISIT

Desiree Otterino, the Housing First Program Coordinator at CASDA will be joining us this Sunday, September 10th, for our Adult Education opportunity following the church service.

### REV. JOSH HEIKKALA VISIT

Rev. Joshua Heikkala, the PC(USA) mission co-worker for West Africa based out of Ghana, will be with us from September 18-20. During that time he will be visiting with our mission committee, where we will discuss ways to further partner with him. Then, on September 20, we will be hosting a presentation by Rev. Heikkala at the church, followed by dinner down by the lake at Cliff & Jackie Pananen's.

### CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

As of Friday, September 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.

# Sing a New Song unto the Lord 276

(Psalm 98)

Refrain

Musical score for 'Sing a New Song unto the Lord' (Psalm 98). The score is in G major, 3/4 time, and consists of six systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a guitar accompaniment line with chord diagrams. The lyrics are: 'Sing a new song un-to the Lord; let your song be sung from moun-tain's high. Sing a new song un-to the Lord, sing-ing hal-le-lu-jah! 1 Shout with glad-ness! Dance for joy! O come be- 2 Rise, O chil-dren, from your sleep; your Sav-ior 3 Glad my soul for I have seen the glo-ry fore the Lord. And play for God on now has come. He has turned your of the Lord. The trum-pet sounds; the glad tam-bou-rines, and let your trum-pet sound. sor-row to joy, and filled your soul with song. dead shall be raised. I know my Sav-ior lives.'

# 611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Musical score for 'Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee'. The score is in G major, 3/4 time, and consists of four systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a guitar accompaniment line with chord diagrams. The lyrics are: '1 Joy-ful, joy-ful, we a-dore thee, God of glo-ry, Lord of love! 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays; 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan. Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove. stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise. Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan. Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way. Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea, Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife. Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day. chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee. Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.'



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.  
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

# 465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

죄짐맡은 우리구주

1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
2 Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,  
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?  
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all - be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery - thing to God in prayer!  
Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.