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

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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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Online Worship

Easter Sunday

April 20th, 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** Be Not Afraid (3x) #243

***PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION**

One: God who overcomes death...

All: We give thanks that the tomb is empty!

One: We give thanks that we can ask: He is risen?

All: And respond: He is risen, indeed!

One: As we peer past our grief at the terrible things going on in this world...

All: You show us signs of resurrection everywhere we go.

One: Holy Spirit, move in us.

All: Move in us and let us show our neighbor's the empty tomb in our lives and theirs! Amen.

***HYMN** The Day of Resurrection! #233

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: UPC, the tomb is empty. He is risen?

All: He is risen indeed!

One: Because he was born, lived, did ministry, was crucified...we can rest in the fact that in Christ's resurrection we witness God's "Yes!" towards each of us. We are forgiven, friends.

All: We are all forgiven! Amen.

BELL CHOIR Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

***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** Jesus Loves Me! #188

CHANCEL CHOIR Acclamation for Easter

SCRIPTURE READINGS Sue Olson

Old Testament Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

SERMON Give Me A Sign: Here's One!

Rev. Brett M. Foote

New Testament

John 20: 1-18

***HYMN** Thine Is the Glory #238

MOMENT FOR MISSION & STEWARDSHIP

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor

***RESPONSE** For the Life That You Have Given #717

***PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who shows us signs of life in the midst of death, may we share signs of resurrection to others. May we always reach out to our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever their from. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures. May we model your expansive justice and love Send your grace filled Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for our congregation, Superior community, and this world. Let us share God's "Yes" to us in Jesus with every person we meet! Amen.

PRAYERS TO BE SHARED

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** Christ Is Alive! #246

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Rib Dinner this year will be Wednesday, April 30 starting at 4:00 PM. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex.

VOLLEYBALL

A reminder that there is no volleyball tonight. Happy Easter!

COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATES

Thanks to all those who have volunteered to be gardeners in the 2025 UPC Community Garden! All containers have been adopted. We will hold the Community Garden Kick-Off on Sunday, May 18, after church. It will consist of a salad potluck, a talk by a gardening expert, and the issuing of seeds to gardeners. A sign-up sheet for the potluck will be available in the narthex beginning next Sunday.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Friendly reminder that next Sunday, April 27 is Confirmation Sunday!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation. There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly." I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

NEW TESTAMENT

John 20: 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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.
- Community Garden*—Help plan and carry out the UPC Community Garden project, which provides vegetables for UPC Community Dinners and Great Lakes Elementary students.
- 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). *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). *A background check is required.*
- Technology/AV Desk—Volunteer to run the AV on a rotating, weekly or monthly basis. Training will be provided!

WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM.
- Volleyball—Every Sunday at 6:00 PM. (No volleyball today)
- 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.
- Cooking with Pastor Brett*—We'll be making pot stickers May 13th at 4:00 PM. We are limited to twelve people so sign up early!
- Hike Osaugie Trail—Join us on a hike April 27th at 12:00 PM.
- Munch Bunch—May 15th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at Log cabin located in Superior! There will be live music and pizza to order.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 4/20

5:55 AM Easter Sunrise Service
8:00 AM Easter Breakfast
8:45 AM Chancel Choir
9:15 AM Easter Egg Hunt
Coffee Hour

TUESDAY 4/22

10:00 AM Pickleball
1:00 PM AA Meeting
5:00 PM Bell Choir
6:15 PM Session Meeting

THURSDAY 4/24

10:00 AM Pickleball
3:30 PM Piano Lessons

SATURDAY 4/26

MONDAY 4/21

Office Closed—Easter Monday
3:30 PM Piano Lessons
6:01 PM Mission Committee

WEDNESDAY 4/23

10:00 AM Crafters Group
12:00 PM Staff Meeting
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up
4:30 PM Piano Lessons

FRIDAY 4/25

UPBeat Deadline

Birthdays This Week

4/20—Jeff Schmitt
4/20—Jim Thompson
4/21—Ryan Gayken
4/24—Londa Hatch
4/24—Brian Schmitt

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:

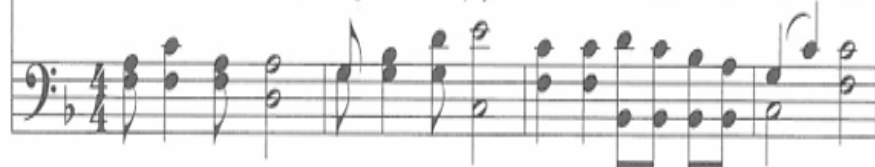
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Be Not Afraid

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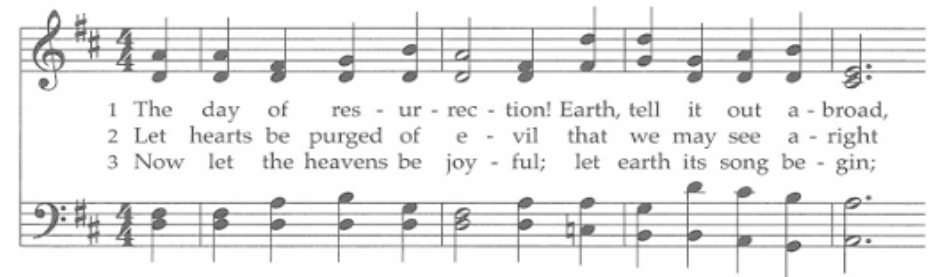
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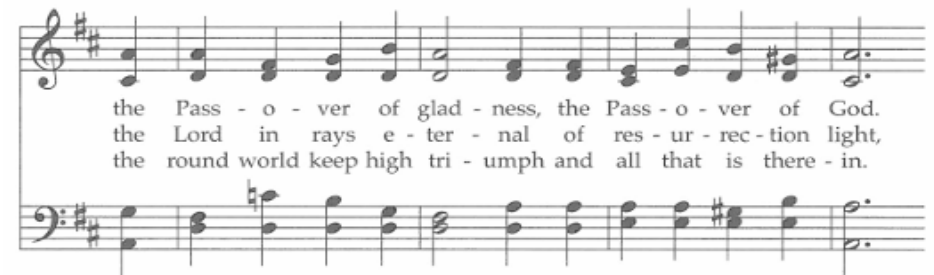
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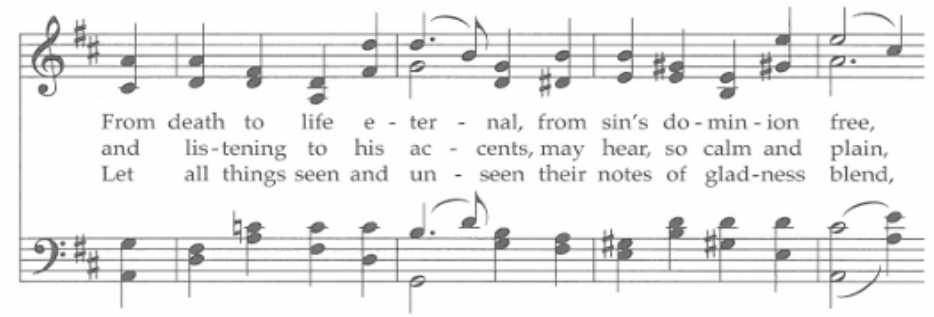
233 The Day of Resurrection!



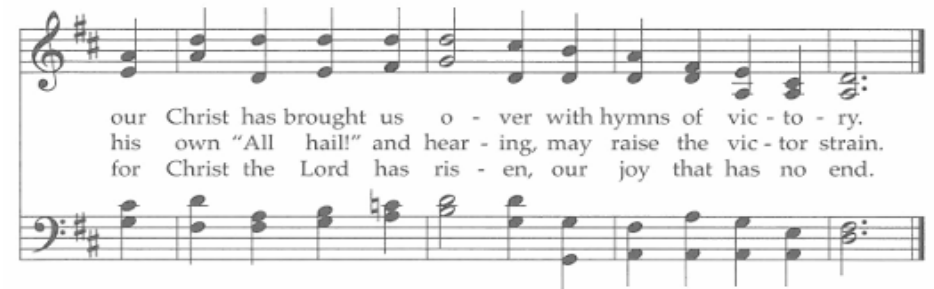
1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;



the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.




From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,



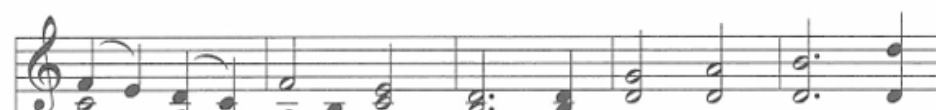
our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

Christ Is Alive!


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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No lon - ger bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

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Jesus Loves Me!



1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
 2 Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,



Lit - tle ones to him be-long. They are weak, but he is strong.
 tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."

Refrain



Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!



Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

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Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-que-ri-son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-que-ri-son;
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

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For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in

Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these

gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;

heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to

love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.