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NURSERY & CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Our nursery is open 15 minutes before worship for children newborn–4 years old. After the Passing of the Peace, children ages 5 through 5th grade may meet at 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.

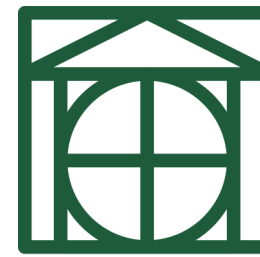
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Online Worship

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

June 21st, 2026

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 Come Sing to God #805

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: God of our parents, help us to follow You!

All: You have given us an Example and a Savior in Christ!

One: Forgive us, Holy One for those moments when we seek peace and comfort with the world and in our lives.

All: Forgive us for believing there would be comfort, ease, and flow after following You!

One: Show us Holy God where it is we are called to serve.

All: Let us listen for You and the ways in which You are calling. Help us in transition to notice where Your Spirit is at work.

One: Rededicate us to the work of loving God and our neighbor as ourselves.

All: In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, no matter what, plain and simple...

All: No matter the sin that has separated us from God...

One: God is no longer separate from us. God calls us friend!

All: We are loved by God. We are cared for by God. We are forgiven by God.

One: It is because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection.

All: That we are 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)

SCRIPTURE READINGS Kirsten Standen

Old Testament Genesis 21:8-21

Sermon All Hands On Deck: God's Calling The Rev. Brett M. Foote

New Testament Matthew 10:24-39

*RESPONSE He Came Down #137

Children are invited to gather by the round table in the narthex for Children's Church.

*HYMN God of the Sparrow #22

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor

*RESPONSE We Give Thee but Thine Own (vs 1) #708

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: Spirit of the living God, continue to speak to us in the dark.

Continue to tell us to shout from the housetops. Thank You for moving in our lives. We give thanks for these gifts that allow us to love and serve our Superior community in some incredible ways. May we go out, really go out and serve our neighbors, whoever they are, wherever they are from, with care and Your peace. Help us to give of our time, talents, and treasures as we serve the Superior community. We give You thanks for all we have and all that we are in Christ. Send Your Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for this congregation, city of Superior, and world. Amen.

PRAYERS TO BE SHARED

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER (Here's our suggested version, but feel free to pray the version you are most familiar with.)

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 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me #700

*BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPC JOB OPENINGS

Do you love working with children and helping them grow in faith? UPC is hiring 2 Nursery Coordinators and 1 Children's Church Ministry Leader to support our youngest members.

- Nursery Coordinator — \$16.32/hour
- Children's Church Ministry Leader — \$18.00/hour

If you're interested, please send your resume to Ephraim Nikoi at ephraimnikoi@gmail.com and Jonathan Asp at aspjonathan@gmail.com

UPC VOLLEYBALL

This weeks game is at 7:30 PM. Come on out to Aces and cheer on the Burnin' Beets!

KITS FOR PEOPLE AFFECTED BY HOMELESSNESS

On your way out today, stop by one of the doors and grab a kit to hand out!

WANTED: GHANA BAG SEWERS

The crafters are working on making "goodie" bags for our Ghana guests in August. We would appreciate help for this project. There are instructions and material included in a kit. Please sign up if you take a kit to sew. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

COMMUNITY DINNER & CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Today at 4:00 PM we have our free community dinner and cornhole tournament. We'll be doing a cookout and everyone is welcome to join! There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex to get your team in the cornhole tournament.

SAVE THE DATE

Join us Sunday, August 9, for a Farewell Potluck after worship as we thank Pastor Brett and Laura for all they've done. Everyone is welcome to come share food, fellowship, and well-wishes as we send them off with our blessings.

KAYAK THE BRULE

Join us on Monday, June 29th, for a kayaking trip on the Brule River. Prior kayaking experience is required due to the medium rapids. Contact Tom Lisak at 218-348-5390, or Cathy Hecht at 863-944-5003 with any questions.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 21:8-21

21:8 The child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. **9** But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. **10** So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son, for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." **11** The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. **12** But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. **13** As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." **14** So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba. **15** When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. **16** Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot, for she said, "Do not let me look on the death of the child." And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. **17** And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, "What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid, for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. **18** Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him." **19** Then God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. She went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink. **20** God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow. **21** He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 10:24-39

10:24 "A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; **25** it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! **26** "So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret that will not become known. **27** What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. **28** Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. **29** Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. **30** And even the hairs of your head are all counted. **31** So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. **32** "Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, **33** but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. **34** "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. **35** For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, **36** and one's foes will be members of one's own household. **37** "Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, **38** and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. **39** Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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 in the crafting room inside the Fellowship Hall. Contact the office to learn more.
- Community Dinner—Join us for our free dinner and cornhole tournament today at 4:00 PM. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex if you want to join the tournament. To learn more, contact Dawn Long at 218-590-9376.
- Nursery—Come spend time with our babies and toddlers in the nursery during the Sunday service! Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign up. *A background check is required.*
- Children's Church—Come support our young ones as they grow in their faith! Children's Church takes place during the Sunday service. Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com to learn more or sign up. *A background check is required.*
- Technology/AV Desk—Volunteer to run the AV on a rotating, weekly, or monthly basis. Training will be provided! Questions? Contact Mac Burriss 304-890-2375.
- Vacation Bible School—We are hosting a free vacation bible school this week (June 22-26) for kids going into K-5th grade. It goes from 4:45-7:00p. See the flyer in the narthex for more details. Contact Laura at laura.foote@upc-superior.com with any questions.

WAYS TO LEARN, GROW, & GET INVOLVED

- Pickleball—Every Tuesday & Thursday at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall at UPC. All are welcome!
- Sand Volleyball—Every Wednesday night at Aces in Superior. See the bulletin or church calendar for game times. Contact the office or Cathy Hecht at 863-944-5003 with any questions.
- Presbyterian Women—Meet 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. To learn more, contact Bonnie Wallin at 715-392-7029.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 6/21

Coffee Hour—After Worship
4:00 PM Community Dinner
4:00 PM Cornhole Tournament

TUESDAY 6/23

1:00 PM AA Meeting
2:30 PM Piano Lessons
4:45 PM Vacation Bible School

THURSDAY 6/25

4:45 PM Vacation Bible School

SATURDAY 6/27

MONDAY 6/22

2:30 PM Piano Lessons
4:45 PM Vacation Bible School

WEDNESDAY 6/24

UPBeat Deadline
10:00 AM Crafters Group
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up
4:45 PM Vacation Bible School
7:30 PM Volleyball @ Aces

FRIDAY 6/26

4:45 PM Vacation Bible School

Birthdays This Week

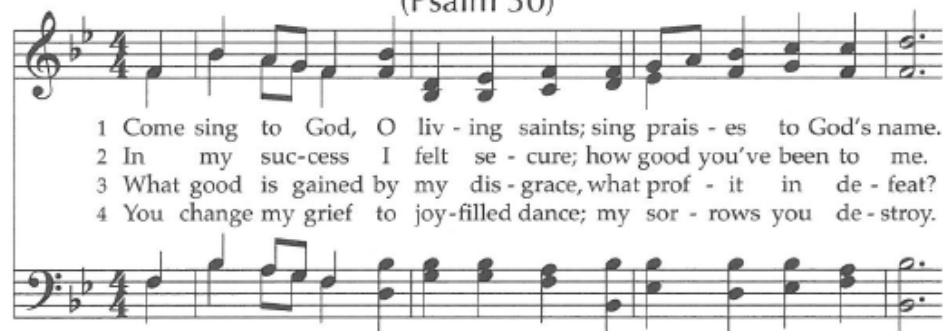
6/25—Acacia Nikoi
6/26—Marcia Olson

God is calling me to...

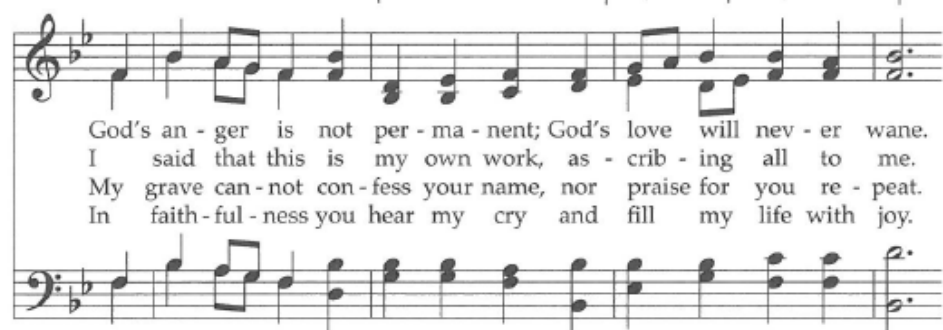
Come Sing to God

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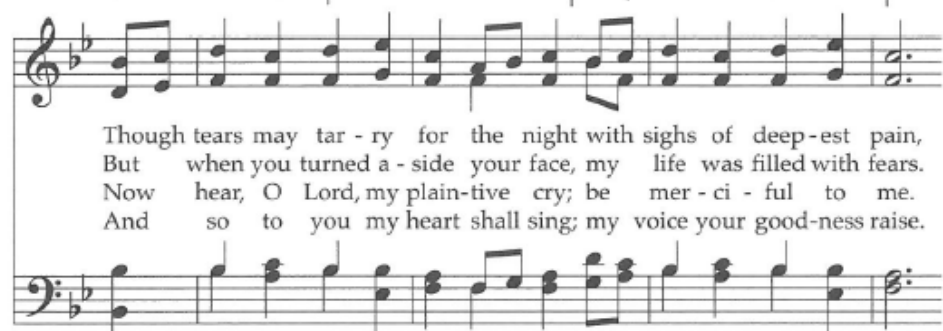
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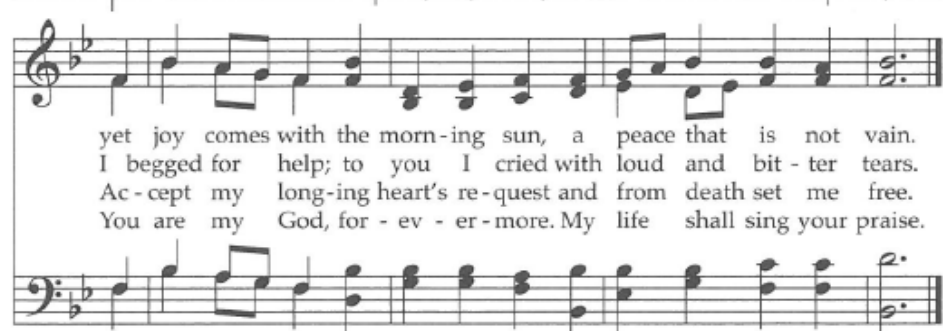
1 Come sing to God, O liv - ing saints; sing prais - es to God's name.
 2 In my suc-cess I felt se - cure; how good you've been to me.
 3 What good is gained by my dis - grace, what prof - it in de - feat?
 4 You change my grief to joy-filled dance; my sor - rows you de - stroy.



God's an - ger is not per - ma - nent; God's love will nev - er wane.
 I said that this is my own work, as - crib - ing all to me.
 My grave can - not con - fess your name, nor praise for you re - peat.
 In faith - ful - ness you hear my cry and fill my life with joy.



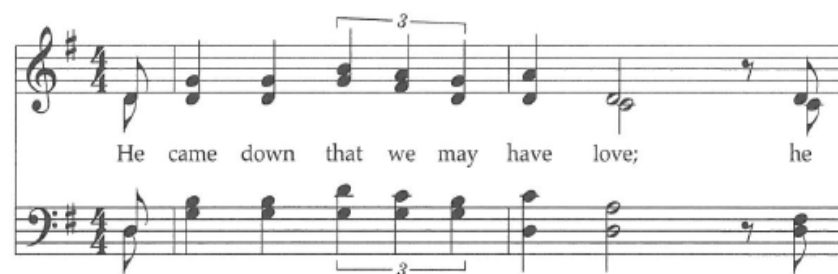
Though tears may tar - ry for the night with sighs of deep - est pain,
 But when you turned a - side your face, my life was filled with fears.
 Now hear, O Lord, my plain - tive cry; be mer - ci - ful to me.
 And so to you my heart shall sing; my voice your good - ness raise.



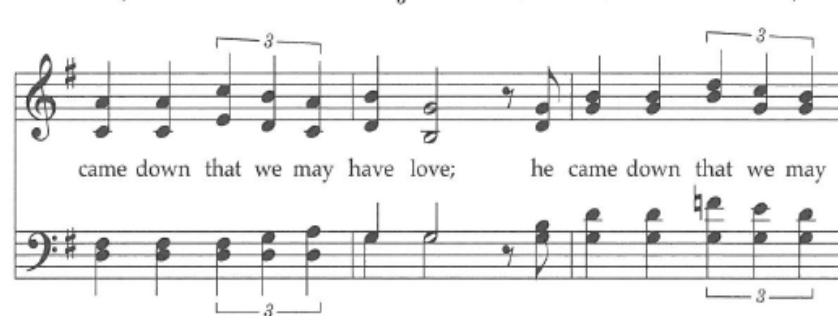
yet joy comes with the morn - ing sun, a peace that is not vain.
 I begged for help; to you I cried with loud and bit - ter tears.
 Ac - cept my long - ing heart's re - quest and from death set me free.
 You are my God, for - ev - er - more. My life shall sing your praise.

He Came Down

137



He came down that we may have love; he



came down that we may have love; he came down that we may



Leader: Why did he come?
 have love; hal - le - lu - jah for - ev - er - more.

Additional stanzas:

... that we may have light
 ... that we may have peace
 ... that we may have joy

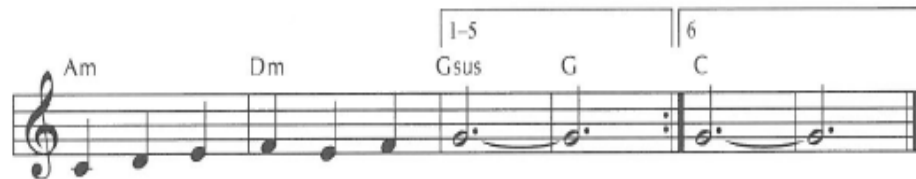
God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
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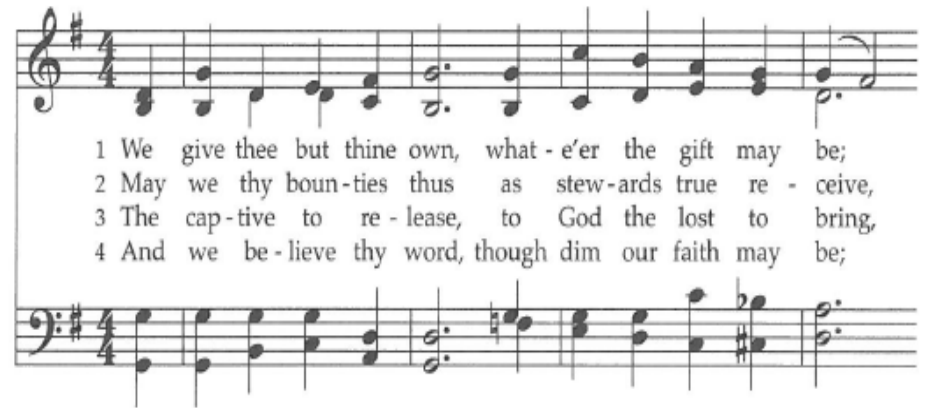
swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



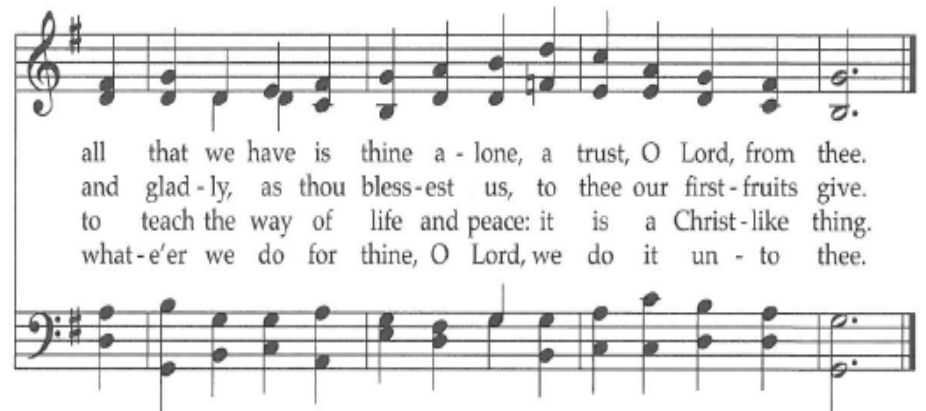
How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say

Home

We Give Thee but Thine Own 708



1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;



all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.
 to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

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

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord, an - y - time!

I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
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 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so)
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord, an - y - time!

(my Lord,) (an - y - time!)