

### **UPBeat**

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## **MARCH 2021**

### **UPBEAT FOR MARCH 2021**

<u>Issue Deadline:</u> Tuesday, Mar 23rd at 1:00p.m. <u>Mailing:</u> Tuesday, Mar 30th

### **ARE YOU IN NEED OF A FACE MASK?**

If you need a face mask and do not have one, many have been made to be distributed by us at the church. Call the church office at 715-392-4751 Monday-Friday from 12-4pm or email Tiffany at unitedpresbyterianchurch.com to get one for you or your entire family, free of charge.

# 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.

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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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# March 2021

ALL INTERNAL & OUTSIDE CHURCH EVENTS REMAIN CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19. MINISTRY MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD VIA ZOOM.

SUNDAY WORSHIP IS LIVE ONLINE AT: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos Mon Tue Wed ThuSun

Sat

9	13	20 1 PM F&O Hike @ Bear Creek Trail	27	
5	12	19 Easter flower orders due!	26	
4:30 pm CYF (Zoom)	11 3 pm Hotdish preparation 5:30 pm B&G (Zoom)	18 5:30pm Session (Zoom)	25	
9:30 AM PW Meeting (Zoom) 12 pm Staff mtg (Zoom) 4 pm Deacons (Zoom) 4-6 pm CSA Pickup 6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)	10 12 pm Staff mtg (Zoom) 4:30 pm Finance (Zoom) 6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)	17 4-6 pm Staff mtg (Zoom) 4-6 pm CSA Pickup 4:30 PM Worship Committee (Zoom) 6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)	24 12 pm Staff mtg (Zoom) 6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)	31 12 pm Staff mtg (Zoom)
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	7 10am Worship (YouTube) 11:30am Coffee Break (Zoom)	14 toam Worship (YouTube) 11:30am Coffee Break (Zoom) 3:00-4:00 pm Hotdish Initiative (Drive Thru)	21 toam Worship (YouTube) 11:30 AM Coffee Break (Zoom) 4-5:30 pm Community Dinner (Drive thru)	28 PALM SUNDAY 10am Worship (YouTube) 11:30am Coffee Break (Zoom)

### Children, Youth, & Family Ministry

Children can still "attend" Time with Children!

During our recorded worship on YouTube, you will see **Time with Children** with Kathryn! Our next CYF meeting online is

March 4th at 4:30 p.m. **on Zoom**.

Contact: Rev. Kathryn Craven, CYF Ministries Director at 660-631-2788 or email

katdianna@yahoo.com, if you would like to attend and need the online meeting link.

### **Notes from Kathryn**

### **March for CYF**

Lent is upon us. It is a time to consider and reconsider. A time to slow down and wait. A time to just be. I had big plans for what to do this season for our Sunday School videos to deal with what had been happening in the world this last year, but response hasn't been excited about that. And I think others are right. So for now we will slow down. Process. Be.

I will be working to help our young ones and you if you are interested discover how to be more holy. Not in a way of acting more holy and appearing to be a better person but instead exploring how we can connect better with God and each other. The Ash Wednesday scriptures spoke of quiet prayer, alone time, and faithful actions. That is the feast of ancient knowledge I want to explore. So there will be discovering different ways of praying, singing, maybe some body movement, and all in the attempt to be more thoughtful, kind, and compassionate. This kind of stuff has no age restriction, and I hope you will be on this journey with us. As we move closer to the cross and ever into the darkness, we go forth together and with prayerful intent. I look forward to this journey with you.



### **Boy Scout Fish Fry!**

Troop 221 will be hosting their annual Fish Fry again this year, drive thru style! Dates are TBD, so keep an eye on your bulletins for more info. We hope to see you there!

### **Fellowship and Outreach**

The Fellowship and Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone for continuing to support the Ruth House with your generous donations. We would also like to invite everyone to join us on a hike on March 20th at 1:00 PM at the Bear Creek Park Trailhead. Parking is located near the Douglas County Humane Society on Moccasin Mike road.

### **PW MEETING**

The Presbyterian Women will be attempting to hold a regular monthly meeting on Zoom on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. It has been a year since we had a regular monthly meeting. There won't be any hostesses or coffee and goodies, so you will have to provide your own. Depending on how this works out we may try again in April and May. All women are cordially invited to attend. Hopefully we will see you on Zoom and sometime in the future we will be able to meet again in person.

### **Easter Flowers**

Order forms are attached for your Easter flowers! They will be placed in the sanctuary to be seen during our live streamed services. Orders are due March 19th, and extra forms will be available in the office. They can be picked up on April 6th if you wish to take them home.

### **BBQ Rib Dinner**

The BBQ Rib Dinner is back; curbside that is! Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 27, 2021 from 4-6 PM.

250 Dinner Tickets will be available curbside, for the takeout dinners, on a first come first served basis. The menu will include a serving of ribs, homemade (at the church) baked beans, and a cornbread muffin. The dinner will be safely prepared according to pandemic guidelines. The cost is \$10.

Watch for sign up options in the April UPBeat!

### In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

**NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI** Eleanor Upthegrove & Warren Nelson SUPERIOR REHAB CENTER, Superior, WI Vora Lindberg (rehab after hospitalization)

CERENITY, White Bear Lake, MN Randy Axt

BENEDÍCTINE HEALTH CENTER, Duluth, MN Carol Mead

PHOENIX, AZ

**Dorothy Granfors** 

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss

**RECOVERING AT HOME** 

Daryl Granquist





Byron Card	3/1
Skylar Rogge	3/1
Ian Schoenike	3/2
David Waite	3/3
Zachary Hecht	3/4
Don Jensen	3/7
Keaton Perkins	3/9
Owen Schulz	3/9
Emma Buckley	3/11
Grace Johnson	3/12
Jim Willmore	3/12
Gerald (Jay) Lanigan	3/13
Alex Ely	3/14
Sherri Rude	3/14
Rebecca 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
Karen Johnson	3/30

### **Hot Dish Update!**

With your continued support, the Hot Dish Initiative continues. On the second week of each month, the committee usually meets on Thursday afternoon to prepare, and then on Sunday to distribute. If this is something you'd like to help with occasionally, please contact Christy Willmore at 218-590-8294 or cwillmore.upc@gmail.com. We wear our masks and keep the crew small to ensure social distancing. If you'd like to help, we'd love to add you to the rotation!

We are very thankful for all of the donations we have received, enabling us to continue this ministry thus far. It is much appreciated by so many in our congregation and community.

Our next meal will be Sunday, March 14 at 3:00 pm. Mark your calendar - we'd love to see you and share a meal with

As a reminder, Hot Dish meals can be reserved by UPC congregation members in advance. Please contact Christy at 218-590-8294 or email at cwillmore.upc@gmail.com.

General Fund					
January Income:	\$11,772.03				
January Operating Expenses:	\$14,706.34				
Increase in General Fund Balance:	-\$2,934.31				
General Fund Balance 1/31/2021	\$31,684.58				

General fund money is used for operating expenses. Salaries, utilities, supplies, and repairs are examples of operating expenses.

Designated Funds				
Building	\$129,009.88			
Memorial	\$7,550.49			
Community Dinner	\$1,743.68			
Erickson Fund	\$74,608.89			
UPC Mission	\$1,910.70			
Special Events	\$1,154.29			
Pastor Discretionary	\$2.30			
Miscellaneous	\$2,671.24			
Endowment Fund (restricted uses)	\$446,279.44			
Designated Funds Balance	\$664,930.91			

Money in the Designated Fund has been directed by the donor to be used for specific purposes. Some funds fluctuate monthly, while others change less frequently, depending on projects.



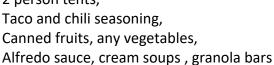
# CURBSIDE COMMUNITY DINNER 26(1) MAR. 21st, 2021 FROM 4-5 PM

The drive-up Community Dinners are a great success. Thank you to everyone who helped with cooking, grilling, distributing meals, or directing traffic to make things run as smoothly as possible. UPC wants to assure you that we are following all COVID-19 safety guidelines including gloves and masks being worn by our workers. For the health and safety of everyone during this pandemic, meals will continue to be <u>Take-Out Only</u>. The meals are prepared and boxed in the church. You drive up and we'll place the meal in your vehicle. Take home and enjoy! Watch the bulletin for information on the menu.

This meal is free and available for all people From the church and community.

### **RUTH HOUSE - MARCH WISH LIST**

Paper napkins & paper bowls, Warm gloves, hats, hand warmers, Bleach, kitchen sponges, Razors, 2 person tents,



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

### THANK YOU!

### **Liturgists for March**

March 7 - Eric Schlacks

March 14 - Deborah Schlacks

March 21 - JoAnn Rush

March 28 - Diane Schmitt

If you have any questions, please contact:
Joan Johnson, Worship Committee, 218.391.1118
joanmk@aol.com



### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

Postponed indefinitely.

### **OFFBEATS - PW EVENING GROUP**

Postponed indefinitely.

### **CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MEETING**

Thursday, Mar. 4th, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### **BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING**

Wednesday, Mar. 3rd, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. (Zoom)

### **BUILDING AND GROUNDS MEETING**

Thursday, Mar. 11th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### MISSION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, Mar. 16th, 2021 at 4:15 p.m. (Zoom)

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, Mar. 10th, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### **SESSION MEETING**

Thursday, Mar. 18th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### **WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, Mar. 17th, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### **FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING**

Tuesday, Mar. 16th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. (Zoom)

### **CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP** - Postponed Indefinitely.

If you have questions, call Luann Tiege at 715-394-3611.

**QUILTERS GROUP** - Postponed Indefinitely.

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

### **DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN DONATE ONLINE?**

At United Presbyterian Church, we offer many opportunities to give of yourself to glorify God.

If you'd like to donate online vs. mailing the weekly offering to the church, you can do so at the following link:

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



WATCH ALL WORSHIP SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:



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From the Pastor...

United,

What new thing would you do for the community with \$250,000? This is the very same question I am asking the Session and the staff at UPC. It was mentioned again that the Presbytery has a fund to try something new, to develop new churches, to reach new people, to reach out in new ways. There aren't a lot of rules as to how we might use the money or how to acquire it, but the one rule is that we can't use it for our existing infrastructure, we can't preserve what already exists. We have to do something "new!" I am currently preparing for our Leadership Retreat this weekend as I write this UPBeat note to you all. That's where we will pray, eat, get outside, pray some more, and really try to discern what new thing God will be leading us toward in this new year. It's a time of preparation.

In the beginning of the Gospel of Mark Jesus is recorded having gone out early in the morning after performing many miracles in a town to a private place to pray. He did this before continuing his ministry journey. It was dark, he was alone, and there was a sense that Jesus could not continue to do this work without connecting with his God first. That's what this season of Lent is beginning to feel like for me and perhaps you as well, a realization that we can't continue on without connection to our Creator. We are coming up on a year of being in the midst of this Covid-19 pandemic and after pushing through for a year, I believe we need a rest to connect with our God and wait for exactly what it is God has for us. Notice that our retreat begins with prayer and has more prayer in it, that's no coincidence. A colleague and former classmate of mine, Rev. Zac Calvo, pastor at Coastland Commons, a creative worshipping community based in Seattle Washington said to me that it feels like "we've been in the season of Lent for what feels like a year." I've felt that also and maybe you have as well. A season of death, darkness, preparation, and waiting. God's been changing us in this past year and I fully believe God will continue God's good work in us as we make our way to Palm Sunday and Easter 2021.

In that vein of Lenten preparation before Easter resurrection, I encourage you to join us for our creative Lenten worship on Wednesday nights over zoom. The liturgy will be simple, there will be times of prayer, there will be some brief music led by Jane Wester, and there will be a chance to break out into small groups as you discuss, draw, spot, and imagine the correlation between your faith and the goings on of this world. Hope to see you there!

Grace & Peace, **Pastor Brett**