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Issue Deadline: Monday, February 20th at 1:00 PM

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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.

Email addresses are useful for contacting the congregation with mid-week cancelations or changes in meetings.

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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FEBRUARY



February 2023

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Children, Youth, & Family Ministry

Contact: Laura Foote, CYF Ministries Director,
at lmfoote.upc@gmail.com

Hello Church!

I write this as it is snowing beautifully outside. Happy February!

Our presbytery-wide winter youth retreat is this month and we've reached our capacity before our last registration day! We've been planning this retreat for months and I am excited to connect with leaders and youth from all over our presbytery! I am also excited for all the ways God will lead, guide, and connect with all those coming.

The season of Lent begins later this month. We'll be having a Fat Tuesday Feast on February 21. The evening will be full of games, good food (of course), and we'll learn a bit about what Lent is all about. This is for students of all grades. Bring your favorite game and come on over to home of the Feet (a.k.a. Brett and Laura's house) at 5p! Let me know if you'll be coming and what your favorite food is!

There is a liturgical calendar now up on the wall in the Youth room. It shows each season of the liturgical year in a colorful and clear way. Go check it out if you haven't already!

Cheers,
Laura

CYF Dates

Children's Church is every Sunday at 10:15a (except for 2/5 and 2/19).

Second Sunday Bible Study will meet in the Youth room on Sunday, February 12 at 11:30a.

The CYF Committee will meet in the Youth Room on Tuesday, February 28 at 4:45p.

The Winter Youth Retreat is February 17-19 at Camp Amnicon.

Our Fat Tuesday Feast is February 21 from 5p - 7p.

Confirmation dates:

February 5, Cathedral of Christ the King, 9:45a

February 26, Youth Room, 11:30a

Fat Tuesday Feast

On Tuesday, February 21 we're going to have an evening of games, good food (of course), and learn a bit about what Lent is all about at the home of the Feet (a.k.a. Laura and Brett's home). This is for students of all grades. Bring your favorite game and come on over at 5p! Let Laura know if you'll be coming and what your favorite food is!

The Presbyterian Women would like to invite the ladies of the church to come for coffee and goodies on Valentine's Day. This get-together will be at 1:00 in the fellowship hall. This is not a meeting. This is just a gathering to celebrate Valentine's Day with friends. All the ladies are welcome to come. We hope to see you there.

Happy February UPC Family!

We have some more fun events to look forward to in the upcoming months.

Spud Day is back! Join us on March 26th after church for a yummy lunch of baked potatoes and toppings.



Join us for pickleball every Tuesday from 4-6 PM and volleyball every Sunday from 6-7:30 PM.

A big THANK YOU to Jane Wester for taking our church directory photos. If you marked down that you wanted your pictures sent to you, look for an email in the next couple of months.

Sincerely,

Fellowship and Outreach

Becky Kirk, Beth Lisak, Cameron Campbell, Cathy Hecht, Debbie Bergstrom, JoAnn Rush, and Kjersten Lisak

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The Presbyterian Women do not meet in February. The next PW meeting will be Wednesday, March 1, 2023 at 9:30 at the church. Hostesses will be Jan Letsos and Kathy Jensen. All women are cordially invited to attend.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . .

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI

Warren Nelson
Ken Aker
Marianne Aker
Fran Brice
Gloria Neuman
Janice Parish
Susan Litehiser

SUPERIOR REHAB, Superior, WI

Ken Uvila

RACINE, WI

Dorothy Granfors

IN THE MILITARY

Christopher Voss



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>



**WATCH ALL WORSHIP
SERVICES LIVE ONLINE:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIPZsQ5nMwmFfhUGn8zJ3sQ/videos>



February BIRTHDAYS

Kara Peterson	2/2
Thomas Vosburgh	2/6
Linda Wigchers	2/7
Bryce Brittan	2/10
Jason Matthias	2/10
Robert Okash	2/10
Rosa Palmer	2/11
Helen Bernacki	2/13
Ed Anderson	2/15
Betty Nickolas	2/15
Diedrick Nikoi	2/15
Eric Schlacks	2/15
Doug Standen	2/17
Kelsi Evenstad	2/17
Sue Goodin	2/19
Joel Johnson	2/21
Laurie Price	2/23
Bonnie Wallin	2/23
Nicholas Baker	2/24

November Income & Expenses

Operating Income (Offering, donation, building use fees, per capita, and interest):	\$28,297.80
Operating Expenses (Ministry, worship, education, property, personnel expenses):	<u>\$19,820.72</u>
Increase in November	\$8,477.08

**Next Finance Committee meeting:
Monday, February 20 at 7:00 pm**



COMMUNITY DINNER February 19

The Community Dinner will be on February 19th at 4 PM, with leftovers available for takeout starting at 5 PM. Takeout is not guaranteed, and will not be distributed before 5 PM.

Inclusive Care Unit

We are currently accepting: **mittens, hats, scarves, hand warmers, coats, toiletry items (toothbrushes, toilet paper, bars of soap, etc.), and non-liquid, sealed food items.** Please bring donations in during office hours or on Sunday morning. *Thank you for your donations!*

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE WISHLIST:

Juice boxes
Coffee creamers
Individually packaged snacks
Canned black beans
Tortilla chips
Boxes of pasta, sauces, and tomato paste
Toilet paper



Scripture Readers

There is a sign up sheet at the back of the Narthex where you can sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship services. This a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.

FEBRUARY MEETINGS

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Postponed indefinitely.

OFFBEATS - PW EVENING GROUP

Postponed indefinitely.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY MEETING

Tuesday, Feb 28th, 2023 at 4:45 PM

BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING

Wednesday, Feb 1st, 2023 at 4:00 PM

BUILDING AND GROUNDS MEETING

Thursday, Feb 9th, 2023 at 6:00 PM

(Zoom & In person)

MISSION COMMITTEE

Sunday, Feb 26th, 2023 after the service

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, Feb 20th, 2023 at 7 PM

SESSION MEETING

Thursday, Feb 23rd or Friday Feb 24th, 2023 at 6:15 PM—TBD (Zoom)

WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, Feb 7th, 2023 at 4:30 PM

FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEETING

Monday, Feb 6th, 2023 at 4:00 PM

CAREGIVER'S WORKSHOP—

Wednesday, Feb 15th, 2023 at 1:00 PM

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

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

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Not meeting in February

RUTH HOUSE WISHLIST

Bottled water
Paper towels
Garbage bags
All purpose cleaners and bleach
Paper products and plastic silverware
Hamburger, chicken, and hotdogs
Cream soups
Hand warmers
Chicken and beef broth
Sugar
Sleeping bags
Backpacks



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

THANK YOU!

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From the Pastor...

UPC,

Hello folks! We've made it through January and with that celebrating Epiphany, Baptism of our Lord Sunday, the birthday luncheon and our annual meeting. I'd like to offer a huge thank you to each and every person who said "Yes!" to serving in leadership at UPC over this next year. For Elders we have: Erica Schulz and Jason Matthias both serving one year terms. We have Bev Vosburgh, Dave Larson, Debbie Bergstrom, and Sandy LeMieux all serving three year terms. For Deacons we have: Susan Litehiser serving a two year term. We have Dean Hecht, Cathy Hecht, Lyn Larson, and Tom Jacobson all serving a three year term. Thank you to our Nominating committee of Diane Schmitt, Kate Long, and Jim Willmore for their work of prayer and discernment to make those specific asks. We believe these folks are called to lead us into our next season as a church. I look forward to their ministry.

The Spiritual Formation Committee, the Quarterly Events Committee, as well as the Garden Committee were each formed by acts of Session as Ad-Hoc committees at our annual leadership retreats. That means, once they accomplished their goals they would end their work and close out the committee. However, all three are seen as integral parts of UPC and the work we are striving to do in our community. Each one of them has been absorbed by a permanent committee of Session. Spiritual Formation, after their initial Small Groups were set up, ran, and concluded, decided that their work was meaningful and that the congregation would continue to benefit from their work. Their work will now fall under the umbrella of our Children, Youth, and Families Committee. They are currently doing short and long range planning for upcoming Small Groups this Spring as well as in the Fall. The Quarterly Events committee, after battling its way through Covid, put on several incredible events for our church and community that brought people from all over into contact with our community and gave us excellent opportunities to fellowship together. They've migrated event planning discussions under the Fellowship and Outreach Committee. Finally, the Garden Committee continues to plan for our 2023 growing season. They've been working on soil prep and planting for this coming Spring and Summer since October. This past fall they sunk cloves of hard neck garlic that we all hope will give us many bulbs and scapes during this upcoming growing season. Their work is merging into the work of the Mission Committee after we served a virtually 90% "farm to table" community dinner. We give thanks for each of these committee's work and look forward to seeing how they continue to serve. This year is about integration and forming strong systems based on the gospel that uplift our congregation, community, and world.

Please pray for our staff, Elders, and Deacon chair as they worship, fellowship, pray, learn, and discern with Dr. David Bronkema at our upcoming Leadership Retreat being held at The McCabe Renewal Center in Duluth March 3-4. Our focus for the retreat won't be to come up with new committees or find the next "big idea." Instead, we will evaluate our communities and the mission and service work we engage in as a congregation. In doing so, we hope to better serve God here in Superior and be more effective and faithful witnesses to the gospel of Jesus! Dr. Bronkema joins us from Eastern University where he holds the Templeton Chair for Christian Service through Entrepreneurship and is a primary faculty for the PhD program in Organizational Leadership. We also give thanks to Drs. Acacia & Ephraim Nikoi who will help facilitate the conversation and act as our local experts as we navigate the material and exercises shared with us. You won't want to miss worship that weekend as Dr. Bronkema will be worshipping with us on March 5.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Brett

P.S. I'll be out of the office from February 13-20 doing my CREDO continuing education put on and sponsored by the PC(USA). I'll be back just in time for Ash Wednesday on February 22. I hope to see you there at our combined service with Pioneer Parish.