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#### **HELPFUL TO KNOW**

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 Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 (jan\_KB9LTA@yahoo.com) or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

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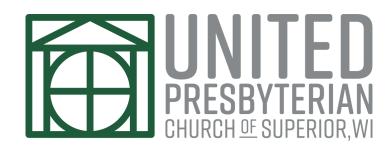
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Online Worship
Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time,
Graduation Sunday
June 2nd, 2024 10:00 AM

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 & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP & INTROIT God Welcomes All (3x) #399

#### \*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION

One: Let us pray...

All: God, who is older than eternity and younger than our next breath, you are beyond description. At the same time, we can't help but imagine what you are like. We know you are just, kind, compassionate, truthful, and loving, yet we aren't always those things. Forgive us for those times we fall short. Spirit, move in us and inspire a different way of living. In the name of the Holy Trinity, we pray. Amen.

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Despite our short comings God forgives us, Christ renews us, and the Spirit leads us. This is true for me but also you and your neighbor. Every single one of us. God's Spirit is at work even when we feel like we just can't catch a break.. Know that because of Christ's birth, life, death. and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven.

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION** 

Laura Foote & Jan Letsos

#### \*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!"

\*RESPONSE Glory to God #582

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

#### \*PROFESSION OF FAITH FROM IONA COMMUNITY

One: Let us affirm our faith:

All: We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn, in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over barbed wire.

We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share our humanity.

We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place into action, into vulnerability, and into the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change, and put ourselves on the line, to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge, to choose life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of hope. Amen.

**MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION** 

OFFERING OFFERTORY

**Alex Sandor** 

\*RESPONSE

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures, high and low. Alleluia, alleluia. Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia.

#### \*PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God who is always close to those struggling, we give you thanks. Help us to elevate the voices of those who have been marginalized or hurt by us or the systems and structures of society. May we live openhanded lives where we give of our time, talents, or treasures. May we model your hands and feet of justice and love others today and every day. Send your powerful Spirit so we can connect with, serve, and care for each of our communities: Superior and the rest of the Northland. Amen.

# SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

\*COMMUNION HYMN I Come With Joy #515

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God most High.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: Praise to You, O God, for all of Your works. You created the world and called it good

and made us in Your image to live together in love.

You made a covenant with us,

and even when we turned from You,

You remained ever faithful.

You taught Your disciples to pray by saying...

#### 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.

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

# **Sharing the Bread and Cup**

You are invited to participate in this sacrament regardless of age, church affiliation, or location. We invite you to use what elements you have near you at home, preferably bread and grape juice. Please do not let having those specific items preclude you from participating in this sacrament. Please use what is available. At home we invite you to serve one another or yourself using the words "The Bread of Heaven" for the bread and "The Cup of Salvation" for the juice in whatever form they take after the pastor has spoken the words of institution. Here at the church we invite you to come forward in two lines, row by row, down the middle of the sanctuary to receive the elements. Return to your seat via the side aisles. Please raise your hand in your seat if you would like to receive the elements without leaving it. We will come around and offer them to you.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: Let us give thanks.

All: With this bread of life and cup of salvation, O God, You have brought us into Christ's presence, united us with Him, and bound us to each other. Now send us out, empowered by Your Holy Spirit, that we may be Your light and love in the world. Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER SILENT PRAYERS PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READINGS Joan Johnson

Old Testament Reading Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

New Testament Reading Mark 2: 23-3:6

SERMON "Sunday Service" Rev. Brett M. Foote

\*CLOSING HYMN Will you Let Me Be Your Servant #727

\*POSTLUDE

\*BENEDICTION (In Fellowship Hall)

#### **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it. For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes beheld my unformed substance. In your book were written all the days that were formed for me, when none of them as yet existed. How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! I try to count them—they are more than the sand; I come to the end—I am still with you.

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

#### NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 2: 23-3:6

One Sabbath he was going through the grain fields, and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food, how he entered the house of God when Abiathar was high priest and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions?" Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for humankind and not humankind for the Sabbath, so the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath." Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They were watching him to see whether he would cure him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES**

As of Friday, May 31st, 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.

# **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Marian Lanigan and David Fuselier on their wedding announcement.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **GET INVOLVED**

There are plenty of ways to get involved here at United! Two great ways that are available year-round are to sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship, or to host a coffee hour following the service. There are sign up sheets available at the back of the Narthex under the calendar!

#### **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.

#### CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT AND COOKOUT

On Sunday, June 16th from 4-7p the Spiritual Formation Committee will be partnering with the Mission Committee to host a Cornhole Tournament and Cookout! This will be a time of family fun for everyone! First place will receive a prize (and bragging rights!). Please reach out to Laura if you want to enter a team or have any questions.

#### **FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH NEWS**

You can join us for pickleball **Tuesdays or Thursdays from 10 AM-12 PM**. We hope to see you there!

# **FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

June 6th—New Dinner Group at Havana's @ 5:30 all are welcome. June 23rd—12:00 Hike Bear Creek Trail/ Wisconsin Point. Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy on the beach! Please contact Cathy Hecht for more information.

# **UPC VOLLEYBALL**

On a cool 50 degree night UPC Volleyball played hard for all 3 games. L 21-15, L 21-17, W 21-19. UPC is now 7-2.

# **CRAFTERS GROUP**

Please join us in the craft room every Wednesday morning at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome to come and work on our quilting projects, or bring your own. Come for the fellowship!

# **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

The monthly gathering of UPC's Presbyterian Women will be a lunch on Wednesday, June 5 at 12:30 at Ace's. All women are cordially invited to attend. Please contact Bonnie Wallin for reservations by June 4.

## United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

# SUNDAY 6/2

Graduation Sunday 10:00 AM Morning Worship 10:15 AM Children's Church

# MONDAY 6/3

2:00 PM Fellowship & Outreach 6:15 PM Piano Lessons 6:15 PM Session Meeting

# TUESDAY 6/4

10:00 AM Pickleball 4:30 PM Worship committee

## WEDNESDAY 6/5

10:00 AM Crafters Group 12:30 PM PW Meeting 2:00 PM CSA Pick-up 2:30 PM Deacons Meeting

## **THURSDAY 6/6**

10:00 AM Pickleball 5:30 PM New Dinner Group @ Havana's

# FRIDAY 6/7

# SATURDAY 6/8

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

June 6th- New Dinner Group at Havana's 5:30 PM

June 14th-Pampered Chef Set-up

June 15th-Pampered Chef

June 16th- Cornhole Tournament & Cookout 4-7 PM

June 23rd- Hike Bear Creek Trail/Wisconsin Point 12 PM

# **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:

# **Birthdays This Week**

6/6– Jeff Olson 6/8– John Kiel 6/8– Joy Johnson

# Glory to God,

# Whose Goodness Shines on Me



I Come with Joy

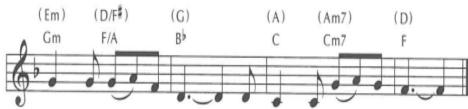
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1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
2 I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are
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