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

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) and by contacting the church by email or phone.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling
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ONLINE WORSHIP

January 31st, 2021

10:00 A.M.

Please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

PRELUDE Alex Sandor
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT **Breathe on Me, Breath of God** #286

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 74)

One: Please remember us God as those whom you have redeemed.

All: Witness the destruction that evil ones have brought on this earth, O God.

One: How long will the evil prosper and the righteous be put to shame in your presence?

All: We know that you are working our salvation out through the earth, day by day but it is hard.

One: Do not let us be put to shame.

All: Fulfill your son Jesus' covenant of salvation with us.

HYMN **Rejoice the Lord is King** #363

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: God of the permissible, we confess that sometimes our knowledge causes us to act without humility. We confess that sometimes our choices are not made in love. Forgive us for not being humble. Forgive us for not making decisions based out of love. Help us to love our neighbors and you, in everything we do or say. Help us to be humble. Make us instruments of your love, O God. Heal us, transform us, and make yourself known through us. In the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: United, who can say that they are without sin or wrongdoing in their lives? Not one of us. Still, even with that being true, God supports, encourages, and loves us. Witness and believe the good news of the Gospel: because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...

All: We are all forgiven. Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

You are invited to bless those in the comments section with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you." (Say hello to one another!)

TIME WITH CHILDREN Kathryn Craven

SCRIPTURE READINGS Sue Olson
Old Testament Reading Psalm 111:1-10

SERMON "My Trip To An AA Meeting: Love Over Knowledge"
Rev. Brett M Foote
New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

HYMN **Though I May Speak (The Gift of Love)** #693

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor
RESPONSE #607

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Christ, all people here below
Praise Holy Spirit evermore
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: God of our choices made in love, we offer all our gifts to you, our lives, our passions and so much more. Bless these tithes and offerings. Bless our mission and vision as the church, as we reach out with our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be generous neighbors. Help us to connect with and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know that they are loved by us and by God. In the name of the Holy Trinity, Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER

Prayers to be Shared Please email the church with your prayer requests or share them in the comments section.

(YouTube)

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. 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN I've Got Peace Like a River #623

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 111:1-10*

Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord,
studied by all who delight in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures for ever.

He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

They are established for ever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant for ever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.

His praise endures for ever.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that 'all of us possess knowledge.' Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that 'no idol in the world really exists', and that 'there is no God but one.' Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as in fact there are many gods and many lords—yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. 'Food will not bring us close to God.' We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling-block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

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>

SUNDAY 1/31

10:00 AM Morning Worship
11:30 AM Zoom Coffee Break

MONDAY 2/1

TUESDAY 2/2

5:15 PM Personnel (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY 2/3

10 AM PW Meeting (Zoom)
12:00 Staff Meeting (Zoom)
4 PM Deacons (Zoom)
4-6 PM CSA Pickup

THURSDAY 2/4

3 PM Finance B&G Meeting (Zoom)
4:30 PM CYF (Zoom)

FRIDAY 2/5

SATURDAY 2/6

Birthdays This Week

1/31 Cole Defoe
2/2 Kara Peterson
2/6 Thomas Vosburgh

INCLUSIVE CARE UNIT

Items needed for the Inclusive Care Unit! We currently need: **Winter scarves, adult hats, gloves or mittens, and blankets.** Drop them off at the church Monday-Friday between 12 P.M. and 4 P.M.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

United Presbyterian Church needs volunteers to help clear snow from the three main entrances at the front of the Church on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday for the remainder of this winter. Please contact Eric Schlacks to volunteer or to learn more. He can be reached at 218-269-6678 or at desertswan1@gmail.com.

WISHLIST FOR MEMBERS IN NEED

Some members in the congregation could use the following items while they are unable to attend services and have visitors during COVID. The list is currently: **Jigsaw puzzles, stationary and blank greeting cards.** If you can donate any of these items, please bring them to the church office during office hours.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

The boxes of 2021 offering envelopes for members can be found in the narthex on the table under the calendar. Please come anytime within church hours to pick them up.

ICU TREE

What was formerly the mitten tree is now the ICU tree! It is still set up in the main entrance, and we are asking for donations of new socks, hand warmers, and foot warmers to be placed on the tree to be donated to the Inclusive Care Unit. Please bring in donations during office hours to decorate the tree!

PW MEETING

The Presbyterian Women meeting on February 3rd will take place online via Zoom at 10 AM. If you have no internet capabilities, please contact the church, as we still want you to be a part of it! We will find a way for you to participate while still maintaining social distancing.

LOOKING AHEAD

February 7	Baptism of Harper Schmitt
February 14	Hotdish Initiative
February 17	Ash Wednesday Soup & Service
February 21	Community Dinner

Breathe on Me, Breath of God 286

1 Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new,
 2 Breathe on me, Breath of God, un - til my heart is pure,
 3 Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am whol - ly thine,
 4 Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I nev - er die,

that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.
 un - til with thee I will one will, to do and to en - dure.
 un - til this earth - ly part of me glows with thy fire di - vine.
 but live with thee the per - fect life of thine e - ter - ni - ty.

Rejoice, the Lord Is King! 363

Descant

4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

1 Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!
 2 Our Sav - ior, Je - sus, reigns, the God of truth and love;
 3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
 4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Re - joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
 when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus given.
 and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re - joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!

Though I May Speak

The Gift of Love

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I've Got Peace like a River

Musical notation for the first line of 'Though I May Speak'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords G, Am7, and G are indicated above the staff.

1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
 2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
 3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol;

Musical notation for the second line of 'Though I May Speak'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords Em, Am7, and D are indicated above the staff.

and have the gift to all in - spire,
 and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
 our spir - its long to be made whole.

Musical notation for the third line of 'Though I May Speak'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords G, Am7, and G are indicated above the staff.

and have not love, my words are vain,
 but not be given by love with - in,
 Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;

Musical notation for the fourth line of 'Though I May Speak'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords Am7, D, C2, C, and G are indicated above the staff.

as sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
 the prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
 by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

Musical notation for the first line of 'I've Got Peace like a River'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The bass line is written on a bass clef staff.

1 I've got peace like a riv - er; I've got peace like a
 2 I've got joy like a foun - tain; I've got joy like a
 3 I've got love like an o - cean; I've got love like an

Musical notation for the second line of 'I've Got Peace like a River'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The bass line is written on a bass clef staff. A first ending bracket is shown above the treble staff.

riv - er; I've got peace like a riv - er, in my
 foun - tain; I've got joy like a foun - tain, in my
 o - cean; I've got love like an o - cean, in my

Musical notation for the third line of 'I've Got Peace like a River'. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. The bass line is written on a bass clef staff. A second ending bracket is shown above the treble staff.

soul. I've got riv - er, in my soul.
 soul. I've got foun - tain, in my soul.
 soul. I've got o - cean, in my soul.