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<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>
 (If you are here in person we offer hearing assistance devices-see technology desk.)

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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***Cover Art:** Various shells, stones, and more placed at a statue of St. James, Peregrino Camino De Santiago, Spain*



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Online Worship

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 19th, 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
God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me #543

*PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION
One: God of this present moment...
All: You have shown up in our lives over and over...
One: Whether we recognize it or not, You have been present for every moment.
All: Forgive us for not remembering and commemorating those times where it was clear.
One: Holy Spirit...
All: Move through us like wind, move us to remember often.
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, we don't remember perfectly. In fact...
All: We see as through a glass darkly.
One: Yet God is still at work. God's at the...
All: Grocery store, the gym, at work, on the drive, on vacation, and at home.
One: God is with us and even when we forget...
All: You remind us to put up signs and symbols to remember.
One: Our forgiveness comes from more than a sign or symbol though. Because of Christ's birth, life, death, and resurrection...
All: We remember today 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)

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

*RESPONSE We've Come This Far by Faith #656

SCRIPTURE READINGS Kathy Nelson

New Testament Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Sermon God Was Here: Remembering The Rev. Brett M. Foote

Old Testament Genesis 28:10-19a

*HYMN For the Fruit of All Creation #36

BLESSING OF THE QUILTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION Julie Gilbertson

OFFERING
OFFERTORY Alex Sandor
*RESPONSE God, We Honor You #709

*PRAYER OVER OFFERING
One: Let us bless these gifts.
All: God who remembers, thank You for reminding us of Your presence in our lives. We give thanks for that presence and these gifts that allow us to love and serve You and our Superior community in some precious 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 Christ our Savior. 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 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness #657

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

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 5:50 PM. Come on out to Aces and cheer on the Burnin' Beets!

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. If you have questions or would like to get involved, contact Kirsten Standen at 218-591-2321, or Connie Noble at 218-590-0993.

DRAGON BOAT PADDLERS

We are looking for Dragon Boat paddlers! If you're interested in joining the team, please let Kate Long know (715-392-2206).

- 1 practice week of races.
- Friday, August 21st—Parade of teams.
- Saturday, August 22nd— Race day! (Need full day of commitment)

If you would like to donate towards the fundraising, please give your donations by cash to Kate, or see her for more information on how to give.

LUCIUS WOODS CONCERT & CAMP

Camp July 25th at Lucius Woods (9231 E Marion Ave, Solon Springs, WI) and see the Tennessee Whiskey Revival Concert. Gates open at 6 PM and the concert starts at 7 PM. Contact Karen Johnson at 715-817-4676 with any questions.

SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a volunteer organization that builds and delivers beds to children in need so no kid sleeps on the floor. Our local chapter is led by Julie Gilbertson, Chapter President, who is our guest speaker today.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

NEW TESTAMENT

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

13:24 He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, **25** but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. **26** So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. **27** And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' **28** He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' **29** But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. **30** Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' **36** Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." **37** He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; **38** the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, **39** and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. **40** Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. **41** The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, **42** and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. **43** Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 28:10-19a

28:10 Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. **11** He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. **12** And he dreamed that there was a stairway set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. **13** And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring, **14** and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south, and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. **15** Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go and will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." **16** Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" **17** And he was afraid and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." **18** So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. **19** He called that place Bethel, but the name of the city was Luz at the first.

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—Our next community dinner will be Sunday, October 18 at 4:00 PM. 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.

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. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 5th, at the church. Hostesses will be Dianne Shaw and Jane Wester. All women are cordially invited to attend. To learn more, contact Bonnie Wallin at 715-392-7029.
- Ghana Mission Network Conference—Will be held at UPC August 13–16. We're excited to host people from around the country and Ghana. Volunteer opportunities include set-up, serving, and clean-up after meals, the registration table, preparing welcome bags, providing transportation, hosting participants, and welcoming guests. Sign-up for volunteering is available in the narthex. All are invited to attend the meeting, whether it is for one or two sessions or for the entire program. Program details are available at: www.upc-superior.com/ghana-mission-network.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY 7/19

TUESDAY 7/21

10:00 AM Pickleball
1:00 PM AA Meeting
2:30 PM Piano Lessons

THURSDAY 7/23

10:00 AM Pickleball

SATURDAY 7/25

7:00 PM Lucius Woods Concert & Camp

MONDAY 7/20

2:30 PM Piano Lessons

WEDNESDAY 7/22

10:00 AM Crafters Group
2:00 PM CSA Pick-up
5:50 PM Volleyball @ Aces

FRIDAY 7/24

Birthdays This Week

7/19—Elsie Hicks
7/19—Beau Kiel
7/19—Jenna Slagter
7/21—Nathaniel Fuller
7/22—Ashton Cairns
7/24—Mary Jo Card

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>

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

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O Christ, Surround Me



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit-ness-
3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash-ing of light-ning,
4 Walk-ing be-hind to hem my jour-ney, go-ing a-head to
5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now up-hold me:
es en-fold; proph-ets, a-pos-tles, an-gels wit-ness:
strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan-et:
light my way, and from be-neath, a-bove, and all ways:
hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

We've Come This Far by Faith 656



We've come this far by faith, lean-ing on the Lord,



trust-ing in the ho-ly Word; God's nev-er failed us yet.



O, can't turn a-round, we've come this



far by faith. We've come this far by faith.

For the Fruit of All Creation 36

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

709 God, We Honor You

God, we hon - or you. God, we trust in you.

God, we wor - ship and a - dore you.

Take what we bring, of - fered to you.

Teach us to show your a - bun - dant bless - ings.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, a - men.

**May be sung as a canon.*

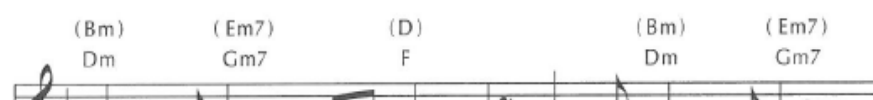
657 Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness

(Psalm 147)

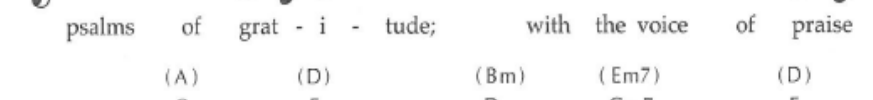
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 Refrain F Dm Gm7 C F



Sing to God, with joy and glad - ness, hymns and



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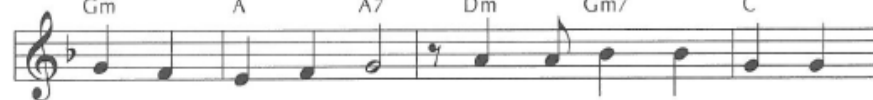
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(Bm) (Em7) (A) (F#) (G)
 Dm Gm7 C A Bb



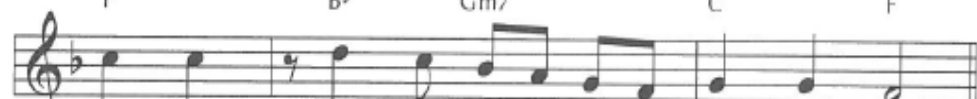
1 God u - nites the scat - tered peo - ple, gath - ers
 2 Such is God's great power and wis - dom, none can
 3 God with clouds the sky has cur - tained, thus en -
 4 God's dis - cern - ment nev - er fa - vors strength or

(Em) (F#) (F#7) (Bm) (Em7) (A)
 Gm A A7 Dm Gm7 C



those who wan - dered far, heals the hurt and bro - ken
 cal - cu - late or tell; keen is God to ground the
 sur - ing rain shall fall; earth, re - spond - ing, grows to
 speed to lift or move; God de - lights in those who

(D) (G) (Em7) (A) to Refrain
 F Bb Gm7 C (D)
 F



spir - its, tend - ing ev - ery wound and scar.
 wick - ed and with hum - ble folk to dwell.
 or - der food for crea - tures great and small.
 wor - ship, trust - ing in God's stead - fast love.