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Call the church office at 715-392-4751.



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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: 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

February 21st, 2021

10:00 A.M.

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

PRELUDE Alex Sandor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Great is Thy Faithfulness #39

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The time is fulfilled.

All: The kingdom of heaven has drawn near. One: Repent, and believe in the Good News.

All: The reign of God is at hand.

One: Follow Jesus, who calls us to gather others.

All: For the work has begun.

One: Believe in God's love for you, for the world,

All: For God sent his Son for us, that we might know eternal life.

One: Roll up your sleeves, and be prepared: All: The kingdom of heaven has drawn near.

HYMN Lord, You Have Come To The Lakeshore #721

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: Let us pray.

All: Ancient of Days, the earth flooded long ago, and we were given a sign: the rainbow, a reminder that Your covenant is with the whole earth, that You will never again destroy the earth by flood. Your covenant is a reminder to us that the world is still broken, but You strive to make it whole. We have failed and fallen short, but You have remained steadfast. Your love for us has never ceased, though we have wandered and sought after the world's desires. Call us back to Your covenant. Remind us of how You formed the world and made us in Your image. Remind us that we come from You, and we return to You, and Your promises never end. You may be ancient, but You also make all things new. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Psalm 25:7-10)

One: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for your goodness' sake, O LORD! Good and upright is the LORD; therefore God instructs sinners in the way. God leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble the way. All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep God's covenant and decrees. Know God's love and forgiveness are with you, and your sins are remembered no more. Go forth, and live into God's ways.

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 Olson Family
Old Testament Reading Genesis 9: 8-17

SERMON "Signed, Sealed, Delivered" Kathryn Craven
New Testament Reading Mark 1: 9-15

HYMN Down Galilee's Slow Roadways #164

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION

OFFERTORY Alex Sandor

RESPONSE #647

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

PRAYER OVER OFFERING

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: O Holy God, you never stop wanting us to help make your creation a more vibrant and loving place. May all that we have brought forward today, and all that we are in our lives, go to strengthen your name and to love our neighbors and strangers alike. 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 There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit #408
BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Alex Sandor

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 9:8-17

Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

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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

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 2/21

10:00 AM Morning Worship 11:30 AM Zoom Coffee Break 4-5 PM Community Dinner

MONDAY 2/22

TUESDAY 2/23

WEDNESDAY 2/24 6:15 PM Lenten Worship (Zoom)

THURSDAY 2/25

FRIDAY 2/26 UPBeat Mailing

SATURDAY 2/27

Birthdays This Week

2/21 Joel Johnson 2/23 Laurie Price 2/23 Bonnie Wallin 2/24 Nicholas Baker 2/24 Eileen Olson

LOOKING AHEAD

TODAY Community Dinner
February 26 UPBeat Mailing
February 21-March 2 Pastor Out of Office

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

COMMUNITY DINNER

This Sunday is the Community Dinner, which will take place from 4-5 PM. On the menu is: braised chicken breast, baked potato with butter and sour cream, vegetable blend, a dinner roll, and an orange sherbet cup. We hope to see you there!

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!

LENTEN WORSHIP

Please join us for an interactive Lenten Service, with a song and brief liturgy on Wednesdays at 6:15 PM during Lent. This will be done via Zoom. The link to this worship will be sent out via email prior to the service.



721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore







