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From the Pastor...

We are about to embark on what I call our Christian High Holy Days. During the eight days, from Passion Sunday through Easter, we remember, day by day, the last week of Jesus' life. He was greeted in Jerusalem by admiring crowds.

Very soon, the atmosphere in the city changed. Various factions of religious and political leaders taunted and challenged Jesus. They stirred up the crowd and by Thursday one of his disciples had arranged to turn him in to the authorities.

Jesus was betrayed by one of his own, falsely accused by the religious leaders, dragged into a kangaroo court in the middle of the night, abused and beaten, and as the day dawned, sentenced to die. Not just any death, he was sentenced to hang like a common criminal. At the end, a rich man who had admired him from a distance volunteered to take his corpse and lay it in a newly hewn crypt.

On Saturday, all was quiet in Jerusalem. It was the Sabbath, the day of rest. On Sunday, just as the sun was coming up over the horizon, three women walked to the crypt, intending to finish the rites of burial. The tomb was empty. From that time to this, those who claim Jesus as Lord understand the empty tomb as a sign of resurrection, of new life, of life beyond the grave.

In some ways, this is a particular story: about a particular man, who lived at a particular time, who met a particular fate and whose fate is now shared with all of us. At the same time, this is a universal story because it is the story of all people, in every time. We are born. We live. We are successful and those same successes can turn against us. We feel abandoned and betrayed. Eventually, we die. And yet, out of that, we are carried into a glory we had not imagined possible. All the suffering and pain is finally gone—not just gone but redeemed. The suffering has had a redemptive value. That's a universal story often recognized even by those who do not claim Christian faith.

One of my favorite pieces of music is Gustav Mahler's Second Symphony, often called "Resurrection." The fourth and fifth movements include choral music and the words tell this universal story. In the fourth movement, the choir sings:

I came upon a broad road. There came an angel and wanted to block my way. Ah no! I did not let myself be turned away! I am of God, and to God I shall return. (from the book Des Knaben Wunderhorn)

And in the fifth movement, Mahler himself wrote these words for the choir:

I shall die, so as to live! Arise, yes, you will arise from the dead, My heart, in an instant! What you have conquered Will bear you to God.

The orchestral music soars to a grand finale. I love the line, "What you have conquered will bear you to God." That, indeed is my Holy Week and Easter prayer—that whatever we suffer will ultimately bear us to God. Each of us is from God, and each of us will return to God. And in the meantime, we live with confidence born of knowing that in the end, life triumphs.

Have a blessed Easter. Pastor Charlotte Frantz



Liturgists for April



Liturgists scheduled for the month of April are:

April 7 Jane Wester April 14 Sue Olson April 21 Kathy Nelson April 28 Becky Olson

Thank you to Dolores Larson, Becky Kirk, Beverly Underdale, Jackie Ranco and Lindsey Olson for serving as liturgists in March. If you would like to serve as a liturgist look for the sign up sheet in the back of the narthex or call **Donna Okash at** 715-718-1734.



In Our Thoughts and Prayers . . .

MIDDLE RIVER HEALTH CARE, Superior, WI Lois Bickford

NEW PERSPECTIVES, Superior, WI Eleanor Upthegrove

VILLA MARINA , Superior, WI Jean B. Johnson

SERENITY, White Bear Lake, MN - Randy Axt

EAGLE CREST, Roseville, MN - Bill Fuller

BENEDICTINE HEALTH CENTER, Duluth, MN Carol Mead

IN THE MILITARY

Holden Willmore Christopher Voss

SERVING OVERSEAS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENTTyler Haugland Rogstad

IN PRISON - Lori

United Presbyterian Church will be serving a

Community

Dinner

Easter Sunday April 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

This meal is free and open to the public. We hope you will join us!

GOD'S PROMISE

ADULT BIBLE STUDY Wednesday April 10, 2019 9:00 a.m.





SESSION MEETING

Wednesday April 17, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.



BOARD OF DEACONS MEETING Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.



FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 4:45 p.m.



MISSION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.



WORSHIP COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.



UNITED PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN .

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Hostesses will be Bev Underdale and Dolores Larson.



PERSONNEL MEETING

Monday, April 8, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 6, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. the Superior Family Restaurant located in the Androy Hotel. All men who are members or friends of UPC are invited to attend. No reservations required.



QUILTING GROUP

Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.



UPBeat APRIL 2019

Issue Deadline: Tuesday, April 23 at 1:00 p.m. **Mailing:** Friday, April 26, 2019

Holy Week Calendar

PALM SUNDAY

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Worship Service at 7:00 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

Easter Breakfast 8:30 -9:30 a.m. Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Children's Easter Egg Hunt 11:00 a.m.



SENIOR CONNECTIONS CAREGIVERS WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 1:00 p.m.

Now Available! UPC T-Shirts

Contact Christy Willmore to place an order. 218-590-8294

Short Sleeve: \$20.00 Youth Sizes S - L Long Sleeve: \$30.00 Adult Sizes: S - XXL



SCOUT TROOP 221 AT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 229 North 28th Street E, Superior , WI

All You Can Eat Fish Fry!

Fridays 5:00 -7:00 p.m.

April 5, 12 & 19

\$10 Adults \$7 Children 4-11

Ages 3 & under are free!

Easter Breakfast

United Presbyterian is looking for someone who would like to be in charge of organizing an Easter Breakfast here at the church on Sunday, April 21st from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. for everyone to enjoy prior to Easter Sunday Worship Service. Help us keep alive this church tradition. Breakfast can be creative or traditional.

Would you consider the opportunity? Please contact the church office at 715-392-4751 or by email at unitedpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com if you are willing to help plan and organize this event...

LENTEN Soup suppers

Up to six different varieties of soup will be served each dinner along with bread and a beverage

WEDNESDAY'S AT 5:30 P.M.

April 3 & April 10

HOLY
CONVERSATIONS
6:30 PM

YOUTH ACTIVITIES



SHE NEEDS NO INTRODUCTION...

The Personnel Committee is happy to announce that Jane Wester will be the Chancel Choir Director here at UPC. The job description was updated a month ago. The open position was posted in the Upbeat and on the congregation's Facebook page and publicized by word of mouth. Jane submitted a letter of interest and was interviewed by the Personnel Committee. She has accepted the position and will begin as Chancel Choir Director on April 1.

We thank Jackie Ranco for filling in the last two weeks of the interim period when Jane was not able to be here.

In addition to directing the choir, Jane will schedule special music by individuals and small ensembles during the summer months. If you are interested in enhancing our worship with special music, please contact Jane.



Thank you to Jan Parrish for providing accompaniment for the hymns at Wednesday evening vespers.



TUESDAY APRIL 23, 2019 4:00 - 7:00 pm.

SARBEQUE PORK RIBS HOMEMADE BAKED BEANS
CORNBREAD COLESLAW BEET PICKLES
CUPCAKES BEVERAGE

TAKE OUT ORDERS ARE AVAILABLE



ADULTS \$10

CHILDREN AGE 4-10 \$5 UNDER 4 FREE

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 229 NORTH 28TH STREET SUPERIOR, WI 54880 715-392-4751 Dear Ones,

I have enjoyed years of planting flowers in pots down the sidewalk at our church. This year, I must retire. I have only one way to get to church, by taxi, which is prohibitably expensive. I hope there is someone who will plant and care for flowers during the With Love, Susan L. summer.



Thank you for gifts received. Thank you to Wayne Phelps who recently gave the church a new coffee pot in memory of his father Coral Phelps.

The congregation of United Presbyterian would like to offer their condolences to Bob and Anne Lauer regarding the recent death of their son James Lauer

And to the family of Annabelle Sullivan upon her death, March 14, 2019.

Our hearts and prayers are with you.



On April 28, we will take time during the regular worship service to remember and give thanks for Georgia Raun. Georgia served as Choir Director at United since it's beginning and was at Hammond Avenue Presbyterian before United was formed. The choir will sing several anthems and together we will celebrate her life and commend her to God's eternal keeping. If you have anecdotes, remembrances, or ideas about how we might honor her memory, please pass them on to Pastor Charlotte.

casda

center against sexual & domestic abuse, inc.

The CASDA shelter is designed as a safe place for individuals needing to escape or take time out from a violent home. It is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year and can house residents up to 45 days or more. Unfortunately, the shelter is running low on supplies and has reached out to those in the area that may be able to provide some help. Donations may be dropped off at the church with a note stating that the items are for CASDA. Their wish list includes: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Conditioner, Lotion, 42+ Gallon Heavy Duty Garbage Bags, Cold Medicines, All-Purpose Cleaners, Bleach, Hand Sanitizer, Kleenex, Pine Sol, Hand Soap, Dryer Sheets, Windex, Toilet Bowl Cleaner, Dish Soap & Deodorant.

Gifts will be dedicated during the worship service on April 14.



APRIL



BIRTHDAYS

- Anita Anderson
- 3 **Dorothy Elowson**
- Tim laFrate
- 8 Halie Matthias
- 8 Kevin Ostrowski
- 9 Anne Lauer
- Lisa Palmer 9
- Erin Lanigan
- 11 Janet Heckman
- 12 Bob Goodin
- 12 Devon Ziebell
- 12 Nicholas Anderson
- 12 Dennis Bernacki
- 14 Tom Jacobson
- 14 Larry Johnson
- 20 Jeff Schmitt
- 20 Jim Thompson
- 21 Ryan Gayken
- Brian Schmitt
- 28 Anthony Simensen
- 30 Erick Vosburgh

BARBECUE RIB DINNER

Every year we host a spring Barbecue Rib Dinner which is open to the public. Not all of our UPC members are able to contribute time to make this event possible. If you would like to "sponsor" an item, or part of an item needed for the dinner, please contact the church office or place your contribution in the offering on Sunday and mark the envelope "RIB DINNER". The following items are used for the dinner with the total cost of each item.

MEAT	\$1500
BBQ SAUCE	\$45
CORN MUFFIN ING.	\$52
COLESLAW	\$20
COLE SLAW DRESSING	\$15
MILK	\$25
COFFEE	\$45
DILL PICKLES	\$11
TAKE OUT CONTAINERS	\$50
NAPKINS	\$16
HAND WIPES	\$15

We will also need people to make Baked Beans and Cupcakes. Signup sheets will be put out in the Narthex for these.

SUGGESTION BOX Look for the suggestion box in the Narthex and write up your idea, hope or dream for United. How can we better reach out to the community? What do we need to become a stronger, more inclusive community of faith? Are there issues we ought to be learning about or discussing so that our faith and witness grow stronger? Please include some contact information so we can be back in touch to hear more about your suggestion.

Children, Youth & Family April Happenings....

Each week.....Sunday School for grades K-5 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Meet in the first classroom off Fellowship Hall. No Sunday School on Easter, April 21



Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 21 Immediately following worship.

Youth Group Wednesdays April 3 & 10

5:30 Soup supper

6:15 Gathering in sanctuary

6:30 Holy Conversations or "I AM" Study

April 17 & May 1

Save these dates and watch for details! 6:00-7:30 pm at UPC

<u>2019 Youth Lock In</u>

Thank you to all who helped make our lock in a success! Thank you for donations to make hygiene bags to Ruth House. We had speakers from Seafarers Ministry and Ruth House and learned about the programs and how they help our neighbors. Thank you to Becky Olson for feeding us a wonderful spaghetti dinner! Special thanks to the youth of UPC and Pioneer Parish who did a wonderful job in worship on Sunday reading scripture, a Reader's Theater piece, and Time with Children.

2019 UPC Softball!

We will hold practices on Tuesday, April 30 and Tuesday, May 7 at 6:00 pm. Games are held every Tuesday from approximately May 14 to tournaments mid August. This is a co-ed league for all teen and adult ages. If you'd like to play on the team, please contact Christy Willmore at christywillmore@gmail.com or 218-590-8294.

Pam McGraw will be temporarily staying at the Twin Ports Rehabilitation Center while recovering from a recent surgery. Twin Ports Rehabilitation Center is located at 1612 North 37th Street, Superior, WI.



Gene	eral Fund
February Income:	\$9,200.80
February Operating	\$18,551.08
(includes \$6912 per	capita
Decrease in General	-\$9,350.28
General Fund Bal-	\$21,322.50

General fund money is used for operating expenses. Salaries, utilities, supplies, and repairs are examples of operating expenses.

Designa	ated Funds
Building	\$154,186.10
Memorial	\$6,920.10
Community Dinner	\$706.32
Erickson Fund	\$84,171.80
UPC Mission	-\$695.11
Special Events	\$898.85
Pastor Discretionary	\$300.00
Miscellaneous	\$861.42
Designated Funds	\$246,575.92

Money in the Designated Fund has been directed by the donor to be used for specific purposes. Some funds fluctuate monthly, while others change less frequently, depending on projects. A further description of the largest designated funds was recently approved by the Session and is available on the table at the back of the Sanctuary.

Many thanks to those who have paid a portion of the per capita cost for 2019. The per capita amount is \$32.00 per member. UPC's total is \$6912.

As of January 31, contributions by members totaled \$1417.

Thank you for sharing in this cost!



CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Warren Nelson New Perspectives 1915 North 34th Street Apt # 148 Superior, WI 54880





2019

Order Deadline April 7, 2019

Flowers will be placed at the front of the Sanctuary to create a Easter Resurrection Garden. The potted and decorated flowers will be available to take home following the Easter Sunday Service. Be sure to indicate at the bottom of the order form if you plan on taking your Easter Flowers following the service.

United Presbyterian Church 229 North 28th Street East Superior, WI 54880

PLANTS	Cost Each	#	TOTAL \$	_
Easter Lily	\$15			'.
Chrysanthemum	\$22			

Total \$ Included
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Please circle if the Easter Flower is given *In Memory* or *In Honor* of the person(s) names printed below.

All information to be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin.

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I would like to take the flower/s home following the Easter Sunday Service. YES

Flower orders may be placed in the offering plate, brought into the office, or sent by mail.

United Presbyterian Church Events Calendar

April 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting	2	9:30 a.m. PW Meeting 4:00 pm Deacons 5:30 Lent en Soup Supper 6:30 Holy Conversations	4 2:30 Worship Comm. Meeting	5 5:00 - 7:00 Boy Scout Fish Fry	6 8:30 Men's Breakfast Fellowship Hall Reserved-Simiyu 12:00 - 4:00
7 5th Sunday of Lent Communica Sunday 9:00 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 AM WORSHIP 6:00 pm IPC Folleyball 6:00 P.M. Scouts Meeting	4:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Mtg 5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting	9	10 9:00 am Bible Study 4:45 p.m. Finance Committee Mtg 5:30 Lenten Soup Supper 6:30 Holy Conversations	11 10:30 a.m. Quilting	12 5:00 - 7:00 Boy Scout Fish Fry	13 Fellowship Hall Reserved - Lisak 11:00 - 1:00 pm
14 Palm Sunday 9:00 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 AM WORSHIP Donations for CASDA 6:00 P.M. Scouts Meeting	15 5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting	16 4:00 p.m. Mission Committee	17 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Caregivers Workshop 5:30 p.m. Session Meeting	18 Maumdy Thursday 7:00 p.m. Worship Service	19 Good Friday 5:00 - 7:00 Boy Scout Fish Fry	20
21 Easter Sunday 9:00 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 AM WORSHIP 4:00 Community Dinner	(BBQ Dinner Set-up). 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting	23 BBQ Rib Dinner 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. UPBEAT DEADLINE	24	25 10:30 a.m. Quilting	26 Upbeat Mailing	27
28 9:00 Choir Rehearsal 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 10 AM WORSHIP 6:00 P.M. Scouts Meeting 6:00 pm (IPC Volleyball	29 5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal 6:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting	30				