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10:00 a.m.

\*Please rise in body or in spirit **PRELUDE** 

Alex Sandor

#### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

\*INTROIT God of Grace and God of Glory (#307) v.1 God of grace, and God of glory, on Thy people pour Thy power

Crown Thine ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,

For the facing of this hour.

# \*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the chaos of our world, in the confusion of our lives,

we seek a way that has meaning.

In the swirl of questions and doubts, in the face of certainty that can be false,

we seek a way of knowing beyond the world's wisdom.

We seek the way of the Lord, the guiding of the Spirit, the wisdom of God.

We come to worship as seekers of God's wisdom.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: We would follow Jesus, but sometimes it seems that we do not know how to go out in faith or come in out of the shadows of life. The One who has sent the Bread of life to us is the God who is just and true, longing to grace us with mercy. Please join me, as we pray together, saying,

All: We try to be so careful, Faithful God, yet we make so many mistakes. We think we are so wise, yet do not understand the simple wonder of a child. We spend so little time in your presence and ask why we do not know your dreams for us.

We long to be good, upright people, but find our hearts tripping over the temptations of the world. Have mercy, Covenant Keeper, and be gracious to us. As you continue to teach us of your hopes, your dreams, your love for us, may we practice what we learn, as we follow our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in faith.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Out of our lives laced with foolish mistakes and unwise choices, God delights in weaving a tapestry of grace, forgiveness, and healing.

All: God has sent redemption for all; God has fed us with the healing bread of life. At all times, and for every grace, we give thanks to God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

RESPONSE Great is thy Faithfulness (Refrain) #39
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed Thy hand has provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

You are invited to share the blessing of Christ's peace with those near you by saying "The peace of Christ be with you."

*Prayer cards may be given to usher to be brought forward.* 

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** 

Kathy Nelson

First Reading Second Reading

1 Kings 2:10-12 3:3-14 Ephesians 5:15-20

\*HYMN

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak #722

**SERMON** 

Rev. Bob Goodin

**SPECIAL MUSIC** 

Do His Will

Iackie Ranco

Composed by Morton Gold

**OFFERING** 

**MOMENT FOR MISSION** 

**OFFERTORY** 

\*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,

Praise God, all creatures here below,

Praise God above, ye heavenly host,

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.

# \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

One: Let's pray together

All: Receive these gifts, O God. May these gifts be a

fragrant offering that is pleasing to you, in union

with Christ's offering for us. Amen.

TIME FOR PRAYER
PRAYERS TO BE SHARED
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, 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*.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER

\*CLOSING HYMN Amen, Amen Insert

#### \*BENEDICTION

One: May God, the source of life, energize you with the Spirit, the power of life, and fill you with Christ, the

bread of life.

All: We go forth in Jesus' name, to share this gift with

others.

\*POSTLUDE Alex Sansor

# FIRST READING 1 Kings 2:10-12 3:3-14

Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar.

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before

you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

## **SECOND READING**

**Ephesians 5:15-20** 

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord lesus Christ.

# **United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar**

**SUNDAY 8/12** 

10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Finance Committee Meeting

5:00-7:30 a.m. Boy Scout Troop 221

**MONDAY 8/13** 

8:00 a.m. Exercise Class Happy Birthday – Mary Voss

3:00 p.m. UPC 20th Anniversary Committee Meeting

TUESDAY 8/14

7:00 p.m. Superior Singers Concert

WEDNESDAY 8/15

8:00 a.m. Exercise Class Happy Birthday – Porothy Granfors

9:30-4:00 Presbyterian Women Northern Waters

4:00 - 6:00 p.m. CSA Pick-up

THURSDAY 8/16

5:30 p.m. Session Meeting

**FRIDAY 8/17** 

8:00 a.m. Exercise Class

Funeral – Frank Anderson

10:00 Visitation

11:00 Funeral

Luncheon to follow

SATURDAY 8/18

9:00 Boy Scout Planning Meeting - Fellowship Hall

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEETING THIS WEEK** 

**Finance Committee** Sunday, August 12 at 11:00 a.m. **20**th **Anniversary Committee** 

Monday, August 13 at 3:00 p.m.

**Presbyterian Women - Northern Waters** 

Wednesday, August 15 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **Session Meeting** Thursday, August 16 at 5:30 p.m.

## **SUPERIOR SINGERS CONCERT**

The Superior Singers under the direction of Brian MacDonnell will be performing their summer concert *Beatles Forever* here at UPC on Tuesday, August 14 beginning at 7:00 p.m. This concert is free and open to the public. Refreshment will be served following the concert.

#### **FUNERAL SERVICE**

On Friday, August 17, 2018 a funeral service will be held here at UPC for Frank Anderson. 10:00 a.m. Visitation, 11:00 a.m. Service, Luncheon to follow.

## **COOKIES AND BARS**

Donations of bars and cookies are requested for refreshments following the Superior Singers Concert on August 14. There will be no sign up sheets. You are asked to bring the treats to the kitchen the day before or the day of the concert so that they may be placed out for all to enjoy.

#### **MEMORIES**

Do you have a 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary memory to share? A story from the annals of our congregations history? A reflection about what UPC has meant to you? David Waite would love to hear from you! He's compiling memories and reflections to be shared during UPC's anniversary celebration October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Please submit your comments in writing to him no later than September 9<sup>th</sup>, and sooner is even better! Give your submission to him in person, mail them, drop them in the church office with his name attached, or email to <a href="mailto:unitedpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com">unitedpresbyterianchurch@gmail.com</a>. Maximum length, 300 words.

# WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- Join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship.
- Pick up a copy of *The UPBeat*, our monthly newsletter, from the table in the narthex.
- ♦ Call the church office at 715-392-4751.
- 🕈 🌃 Follow us on Facebook.

## **HELPFUL TO KNOW**

- We have large print bulletins.
- ♦ We have hearing assistance devices.
- † There are children's activity sheets available in the narthex.

# **PRAYER REQUEST**

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. Prayer Request cards are located in the pew slots in each row and on the table by the main entrance. Cards will asked for and collected during worship service or may be placed in the offering plate.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Letsos at 715-394-6009 or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

GUEST PREACHER
DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Reverend Bob Goodin Kathy Lehman