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### HELPFUL TO KNOW

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:

<http://upc-superior.com/youtube>

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  
Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 ([jan\\_KB9LTA@yahoo.com](mailto:jan_KB9LTA@yahoo.com)) or  
Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

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**Online Worship**  
***Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**February 20th, 2022**

**10:00 A.M.**

If you are at home, please light a candle to remind yourself of the presence of God.

\* Please rise in body or spirit

**PRELUDE** **Alex Sandor**  
**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*INTROIT** **From the Rising of the Sun** **#670**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 113)**

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: We are servants of God and we praise God's name. Blessed be the name of God. Sun up to Sun down, we will praise God.**

One: God's glory goes above the heavens.

**All: God is bigger than any nation, including our own.**

One: Who is like the Lord our God?

**All: God raises the poor from the dust, lifts the needy from the ash heap, and gives the barren woman a home.**

**\*HYMN** **To God be the Glory** **#634**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ADORATION**

One: Let us Pray.

**All: God of our calling, we confess that we are not the Christians we claim to be at times.**

One: Sometimes we are not generous or kind.

**All: We confess that sometimes we don't wish our enemies well. We don't live all that counter to culture or all that radically. Sometimes we just don't meet expectations. For that God, forgive us. Forgive the times where we miss the mark. Praise you for working in and through us, giving us a call and vocation to be more and more like your son Jesus in our own lives. Make it so God. In the name of the Holy Trinity we pray. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

One: John Updike wrote in his poem *Tao in the Yankee Stadium Bleachers*: "It is not necessary to seek out a wasteland, swamp, or thicket. The opposing pitcher's pertinent hesitations, the sky, this meadow, Mantle's thick baked neck, the old men who in the changing rosters see a personal mutability, green slats, wet stone are all to me as when an emperor commands a performance with a gesture of his eyes. No king on his throne has the joy of the dead, the skull told Chuang-tzu. The thought of death is peppermint to you when games begin with patriotic song and a democratic sun beats broadly down. The Inner Journey seems unjudgeably long when small boys purchase cups of ice and, distant as a paradise, experts, passionate and deft, hold motionless while Berra flies to left."

United, Updike provides to us the imperfect perfection of a Yankee Baseball game. In many ways, these are the best of the best. Despite being the best, they do not always operate at their highest level. Yet, still they are the best, they are professional baseball players. That is their vocation whether they foul out or not. The same is true for you and I. We are still Christians when we miss the mark. We are still loved by God when we don't get it all right. 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 around you with the words, "**The peace of Christ be with you.**" (You may pass the peace in the comments section if online. Say hello to one another. In person we encourage you to not make physical contact with others.)

**RESPONSE:** **Peace Like a River (vs.1)** **#623**  
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul. (x2)

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** **Laura Foote**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**  
**Old Testament Reading** **Genesis 45:3-11, 15**

**SERMON** **"Carrying An Extra Coat: Really?!"** **Rev Brett M. Foote**  
**New Testament Reading** **Luke 6:27-38**

**BAPTISM OF JAIDEN MARLENE ANDERSON**

**Mary Peterson, Clerk of Session:**

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

**All:**

**There is no longer Jew or Greek,  
there is no longer slave or free,  
there is no longer male and female;  
for all are one in Christ Jesus.**

With the whole church let us confess our faith...

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen .**

One: The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

One: We give you thanks, Eternal God...

To you be all praise, honor, and glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns forever.

**All: Amen**

**BAPTISM**

**\*HYMN** **Jesus Loves Me** **#188**

**OFFERING**  
**MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP & MISSION**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*RESPONSE** **Alex Sandor**

**#717**

**\*PRAYER OVER OFFERING**

One: Let us bless these gifts.

**All: God who calls us to give away our coats, 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 love alongside our neighbors for the betterment of our community. May we be good stewards of these gifts and may we be generous neighbors. In each and every gift we give, whether it be time, talents, or treasures, may we reflect Christ to others. Help us to connect with and care for our community so that Superior, Duluth, and the surrounding areas may know God’s love. 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** We Are One In the Spirit #300

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** Alex Sandor

**OLD TESTAMENT READING**

***Genesis 45:3-11, 15***

Joseph said to his brothers, ‘I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?’ But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, ‘Come closer to me.’ And they came closer. He said, ‘I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, “Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.” And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

**United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar**

**SUNDAY 2/20**

9:15 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Morning Worship

2:00 PM Confirmation

4-5 PM Community Dinner (Drive-thru)

6:00 PM Volleyball

**MONDAY 2/21**

3:15-6 PM Piano Lessons

6 PM Cub Scouts

**TUESDAY 2/22**

3:30-8:30 PM Piano Lessons

**WEDNESDAY 2/23**

12 PM Staff Meeting (Zoom)

3-6 PM Piano Lessons

**THURSDAY 2/24**

7 PM AA Meeting

**FRIDAY 2/25**

UPBeat Mailing

**SATURDAY 2/26**

**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**

February 25

March 2

UPBeat Mailing

Ash Wednesday

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

*Luke 6:27-38*

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

'If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

'Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.'

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CURRENT COVID PROCEDURES

Session unanimously approved a motion from the Worship Committee to require masking for worship, and a temporary hiatus on coffee hour. Session and the worship committee will be monitoring the Covid-19 situation and will make changes as necessary.

### ICU NEEDS

We are currently asking for donations of **hand warmers, mittens, hats, wool socks, and scarves** for the Inclusive Care Unit. Please bring in new items or very gently used ones. Items that are worn out will not be considered. Please bring in donations during office hours. Thank you!

### VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball will be played every Sunday between 6pm -7:30pm in the UPC gym. The church requires you wear a mask. Come join the fun and bring another player along.

### CHANCEL CHOIR AND BELL REHEARSALS

Chancel Choir rehearsals will take place Sundays at 8:45 AM, and Bell Choir will rehearse at 11:30 AM. This Sunday, Chancel Choir and Bell Choir will not be rehearsing.

### NURSERY AVAILABILITY

The nursery is now staffed 15 minutes before the service until 15 minutes after for children from new born up through 4 years old. The nursery is located to the left of the Narthex when facing the front, through the two glass doors, and it is the first door on the right.

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### DONATIONS NEEDED

The Mission committee is partnering up with Pilgrim Lutheran and Westminster Presbyterian Churches in accepting donations for children K-12. Monetary donations are welcomed, and checks can be made out to the church, with "School donations" in the memo line. These are the items that are currently being accepted for this project: **Scarves, hats, mittens and gloves, socks, and underwear**. A box can be found at the back of the Narthex to put donations in. Thank you!

### QUILTING GROUP

If anyone is interested in the quilters group starting up again, please contact Jane Wester, so we can gauge interest. Her email is: [jwester801@gmail.com](mailto:jwester801@gmail.com)

### SCRIPTURE READER SIGN UP

There is a sign up sheet at the back of the Narthex where you can sign up to be a liturgist during our Sunday worship services. This a great opportunity to get involved by leading the church in our scripture readings, and our call to worship.

### COMMUNITY GARDEN SIGN-UP TIME COMING SOON

The UPC Community Garden Committee will soon invite you to garden in our 2022 UPC Community Garden! The kick-off for the gardening sign-up will happen on Sunday, March 13. Watch the bulletin for more news as the date approaches. Questions? Call Deborah Schlacks at 218-348-6032, or email her at [desertswan@aol.com](mailto:desertswan@aol.com).

### WELCOME LAURA

Please join us in welcoming Laura Foote in her new position as our Director of Children, Youth, and Families Ministry. She has been serving as our Interim Director the past few months, and will now be joining the staff on a more permanent basis!

### 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>

# From the Rising of the Sun 670

(Psalm 113)

From the ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down  
of the same, the name of the Lord shall be  
praised. From the ris - ing of the sun to the  
go - ing down of the same, the name of the Lord shall be  
praised. So praise ye the Lord.  
Praise ye the Lord. From the  
ris - ing of the sun to the go - ing down of the same,  
the name of the Lord shall be praised.

# 634 To God Be the Glory

1 To God be the glo - ry; great things he has done!  
2 Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,  
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,  
and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;  
who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,  
but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be  
and o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.  
our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,

and give him the glory: great things he has done!

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Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.  
2 Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,

Lit - tle ones to him be - long, They are weak, but he is strong,  
tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

# 717 For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in  
 Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these  
 gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;  
 heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to  
 love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

# We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) Fm (Bm) Cm (Em) Fm

1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;  
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;  
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;  
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,  
 we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,  
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,  
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,  
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,  
 and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:  
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:  
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:  
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

*Refrain* (C) D<sup>b</sup> (Em) Fm

And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our  
 love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.