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June 30, 2019

10:00 a.m.

*Please rise in body or in spirit

PRELUDE

Zach Grohn

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

*INTROIT

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

Ed Anderson and Jackie Ranco

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Though the world can seem too much for us,

All: God's loving Spirit is with us.

One: When we are in bondage, **All: God's Spirit sets us free.**

One: Let us rejoice and give thanks.

All: For we are never alone.

*HYMN God, You Spin the Whirling Planets #23

PRAYER OF CONFESSION based on *Galatians 5:13-25*

One: Let us pray.

All: Christ, you have set us free from sin and selfindulgence, yet we confess to You and to each
other that we often misuse our freedom. We
forget that you freed us in order that we might
serve each other and love our neighbors. Too
often we make unkind remarks, we spread
rumors, quarrel, and create dissension within
our families and communities. Lead us, O Christ,
in the way of Your Spirit. May we demonstrate
in our relationships the fruits of Your Spirit:
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity,

faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Teach us to live as Your beloved community. *Amen*.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

based on *Galatians 5*

One: For freedom, Christ has set us free. We are given the freedom to love, the freedom to serve, the freedom to follow in the way of Jesus. We are no longer slaves of our own desires. We need not worry about what others think of us, nor do we need to worry about whether we are doing enough to please God. We are free to live in the way God's spirit leads us.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

You are invited to bless those around you with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you."

*RESPONSE

Will you let me be your servant, Let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I might have the grace To let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey We're together on the road. We are here to help each other Walk the mile and bear the load.

(#727, stanzas 1 and

2)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Christy Willmore

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

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Brett Foote

Old Testament Reading
Gospel Reading

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Luke 9:57-62

SOLO Robert Perrault

SERMON On Your Own Re

Rev. Charlotte Frantz

*HYMN

Called as Partners

#761

OFFERING

MOMENT FOR MISSION OFFERTORY

Jan Letsos Zach Grohn

*OFFERING HYMN

Breathe on us, Breath of God,

Fill us with life anew,

That we may love what thou dost love,

And do what thou wouldst do.

(#286. stanza 1)

*PRAYER

One: Let us bless these gifts.

All: We give you thanks, O God, for the many opportunities we have to be part of your church community. For our shared work and mission, for the web of connection and relationship, for the guidance of your Holy Spirit, we give thanks. Bless these gifts and let them be used to strengthen the witness of this congregation. *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.

BLESSING AND LEAVE TAKING

ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER

*CLOSING HYMN God Be With You Till We Meet Again

#542

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE Zach Grohn

Please stay in the sanctuary for a very short congregational meeting immediately following the worship service. The agenda of this meeting is to dismiss the Pastoral Nominating Committee. Persons who served on this committee will serve on the Pastoral Care Committee, authorized by the Session, for the continued work of introducing Pastor Brett Foote to the church and the community and caring for him and his family during their first year in Superior.

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel.

Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the Lord, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:57-62

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

SUNDAY 6/30 10:00 a.m. Worship

11:00 a.m. Special Congregational Meeting 6:00 p.m. Scout Troop 221 Meeting

MONDAY 7/1

Happy Birthday - Marianne A. and Paul B.

TUESDAY 7/2

6:30 p.m. Softball Game at 58th Street Field 1

Happy Birthday - Courtney D

WEDNESDAY 7/3 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. CSA Pick-up

THURSDAY 7/4 INDEPENDENCE DAY

The church office will be closed.

Happy Birthday - Beverly U

FRIDAY 7/5

The church office will be closed.

SATURDAY 7/6

8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Happy Birthday - Sophia B

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AFTER WORSHIP TODAY

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship service to wish Pastor Charlotte well into the future.

MEETING THIS WEEK

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, July 6 at 8:30 a.m. At Superior Family Restaurant

SOFTBALL

On Tuesday, July 2, 2019, United Presbyterian will be playing North Bay Church at the $58^{\rm th}$ Street Field 1. The game will start at 6:30 p.m. Wear your green T-shirt and come cheer the team on.

OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, July 4th and July 5th during the Independence Day holiday.

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 be collected during

worship service or may be placed in the offering plate.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling Jan Heckman at 715-392-1072 or Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

PASTOR Reverend Charlotte Frantz