

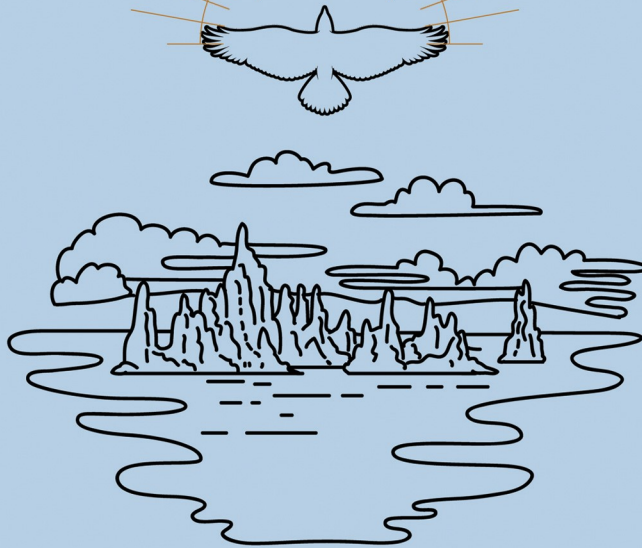
UPChurch

Love God. Love Others.

June 2024

WINGS AS EAGLES

SOUTH DAKOTA



WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT, I, THE LORD,
WILL MAKE IT HAPPEN.

-ISAIAH 60:22

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From the Pastor...

Friends,

Ah, the lazy days of summer. Life is slower, and the living is easy. That's what the song says anyway, but I'm not certain it's true. Jobs continue, kids are headed out for summer camps and mission trips, and for parents of littles who are now out of school I suspect the living is definitely NOT easy.

In my office, across from my seat where I do my work, there is an embroidered picture. It shows a sheep grazing in a field as the sun sets behind the hills in the distance. A verse from Matthew's gospel stands out in bold blue - 'Come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'

I like having a constant reminder of this promise of Jesus before me. It is incredibly easy to fall into the trap of forgetting to come to Jesus for rest. Life is busy, schedules get crowded, the tyranny of the urgent takes precedence over doing what is important - even in the summer, when we are supposedly moving at a slower pace.

I want to remind you (and myself!) that Jesus encourages you to come to Him, and to do so regularly. Seek the rest that is promised, whether it is during the lazy (crazy?) days of summer or during the remainder of the year.

Blessings,
Pastor Erin

Pastor Erin will be on a wellness retreat June 10th-17th.
Seth Normington will be our guest preacher on June 16th.



Organ Repair

The organ repairs will begin June 2nd and last until approximately July 30th.



Ice Cream Social

Mark your calendar!

Church pool party and ice cream social
July 11th
7:15-8:45pm
Steele Aquatic Center



If you'd like to make an online donation to the ministry of United Presbyterian Church, go to our webpage (upcwash.org)

Checks may be sent to:
United Presbyterian Church
PO Box 32
Washington, Iowa 52353

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Giving Back
To God



June Highlights

2nd Communion
3rd UP Home Communion
3rd VBS Planning Meeting
5th Basement Clean-Up

16th Father's Day
17th Sewing Day Flag Repair
18th Finance
15th Session
22nd-29th Youth Mission Trip



United Youth M.S.

(6th-8th grade Ministry)
Sundays, 4pm @ UP Church
June 2nd and 9th



United Youth H.S.

(9th-12th grade Ministry)
Sundays, 6:30pm @ UP Church
June 2nd and 9th



Our website: <http://www.upcwash.org/>

Other ways to connect if the website isn't working:

Facebook - Washington United Presbyterian Church

Smart TV - download the Boxcast app and look for UPCWash - you can watch the stream from your TV this way!

Computer- Use the following link: <https://boxcast.tv/channelaozvuoqohexe93npq2xjr> for our boxcast page
If you do not have the technology to connect in these ways; or you're having problems using the technology you have, and you'd like help, please call the church office at 319-653-6588.

Blessings We Gave:

We were a blessing when we provided Wash. Police Chief, Jim Lester, and his police department, the use of our entire church space for a special, two-day training event attended by officers from several area communities.

We are a blessing to the Washington Tree Committee which also uses our facility for their meetings and is very grateful for our generosity.

We are a blessing to those families who ask for a meal or other refreshments for their families and other guests during their time of loss of a loved one. Our Funeral Committee and other volunteers are to be commended for their loving service to these families.

BLESSING WE RECEIVED:

We are blessed Tanya Stalder helped out in our pre-school/nursery Sunday School class on very short notice.

We are blessed Angie Frost created the lovely south entrance bulletin boards, we appreciate her creativity and her time!

We are blessed to have had Mike Jewell fill in as organist/pianist for us one Sunday. What a treat it must have been for Ginny to be able to worship in the pews. Supporters, prayer warriors or more, our UPC family members are there, as needed. It's easy to see why we are blessed!

1 Brennan Murphy
1 Briggs Bryant
2 Fran Langenberg
4 Kylie Moore
5 Tricia Whisler
6 Joleen Krotz
7 Jean Frazer
7 Dawsen Schluetter
7 Drake Schluetter

8 Sydney Cuddeback
9 Kay Hall
10 Kathy Knutson
13 Lynn Loula
15 Dylann Keller
17 Terry O'Neill
19 Olivia Lujan
19 Sophia Lujan
20 Ruby Septer

20 Jessica Canny
21 Kevin Caldwell
22 Etta Wakeland
25 Janice Flory
25 Joyce Letts
26 Patricia Bagley
27 Callie Schiebel
27 Janice Twinam





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Isaiah 60:22

FAMILY MINISTRIES

Summer Mission Trip

Our Summer Mission Trip will be June 22-June 29. We will be serving the natives on the Pine Ridge Reservation in the Badlands of South Dakota. Join us June 30 for a report on all that God did in and through the team. Please be praying for the team as they prepare to serve our Savior.

VBS DATES

Vbs is scheduled for August 3- August 6. The evening will run from 5:00- 7:30 which will include a meal until 5:30. VBS is for children who have completed 4k-5th grade. Please mark your calendars.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June 22-29 Mission Trip

August 3-6 Vacation Bible School

[HTTPS://WWW.UPCWASH.ORG/](https://www.upcwash.org/)



FREE FAMILY MEAL

5-5:30PM

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

CALLING ALL DETECTIVES

JESUS

GAMES

FUN!

FRIENDS



JOIN US FOR ON THE CASE VBS

AUGUST 3-6TH 5:30PM-7:45PM

UP CHURCH 209 E MAIN ST. WASHINGTON

OPEN TO PK4-5TH GRADE



SATURDAY KITCHEN, A HUGE SUCCESS!!

NEXT HOSTING DATES: June 22nd and 29th

Our first Saturday Kitchen in 2024, May 18th, was unbelievable! We served 80 guests and had 35 take-outs. Our yummy menu was grilled pork burgers, 3 bean salad, carrot chips, fresh fruit cups, chips and brownie sundaes. Our guests loved our delicious meal!! We also we shared 20 dozen farm fresh eggs!

We had amazing volunteers and God bless each of them: Barb H., Rita S., Jill J., Sandy D., Doug D., Randy F., Jane F., Kevin C., Joanie A., Leda A., Alicia A., and Cyrus A. We're grateful to our six brownie makers, too: Jacque R., Katie M., Sue R., Brad A., Jane C., and Mary S. It was a great day of service, Loving God and Loving Others – and having a good time doing it!!

Our UP Pathfinders Sunday School class will be hosting on June 22nd and our church family will be hosting on June 29th. Two opportunities to join in the fun and make a real difference in the lives of others. Please mark your calendars and give us a call.

Joe and Marde McConnell, Chairs, 319-653-3884



Mulch, Mulch and More Mulch!

The Welcome Team thanks the 40 volunteers, 135 bags of mulch were spread around the church grounds and 2 loads of loose wood chips were spread in our play area. Not only did we mulch, we pulled weeds, cleaned window wells, picked up trash, cleaned the parking lot, power washed the play area items, etc.

We started at 5 and by about 6:30 or so we were laughing and having fun together over pizza, fruit, and veggies. It was a grand evening of working together, accomplishing so much and yet having fun, too. Thanks to all who came, the very young and the not so young!

Check Out Our Lovely Playground!

If you haven't taken a look at our playground area recently, you should! All the toys have been power-washed, trees have been trimmed, wood ships have been spread and a little sod is coming soon.

Also, there are three new sets of chairs with new tables between them. The four, new benches Jim Cuddeback made this winter, as well as our original bench were all painted green by Joe McConnell and look amazing. It's all wonderfully inviting and it's greatly used by the parents and little ones who are part of our church family or are church family friends.

Unfortunately, due to liability issues, we can't leave it open to the public. However, grandparents, babysitters, church family members and friends, you're welcome to use it!! Just call the church office or ask any parent of a little one and they'll gladly share the easy code!



The end of April represents 33% of the year. Our income came in at 25.81% Our expenses came in at 33.32%



Articles for the July/August Newsletter are due Friday, June 21st