

February 2021 Reaching U.P.

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UPC 2021 Lent Schedule
We begin with a very different



SHROVE TUESDAY

PANCAKE SUPPER

UPC's fifth Shrove Tuesday celebration is February 16. It's the day before Ash Wednesday—the first day of Lent, and celebrated with pancakes. It's called Mardi Gras — a carnival day and the last day of "fat eating" or "gorging" before the fasting period of Lent.

**THE UPC WORSHIP TEAM INVITES ALL
TO . . .**

Gather for fellowship, food, fun and music
via Zoom!

Prepare a pancake supper at home . . .
And be prepared to show your pancake stack or
Mardi Gras decorated table or both on Zoom!

6 p.m. on February 16

You'll be emailed the Zoom link that afternoon.

Reverend John Napoli – host

Benjamin Watkins — co-host



Mardi Gras music by

Heritage Hall Ramblers Dixieland Band



Donations accepted for UPC Youth Activities
Get Creative!

Concoct your own unique pancake!

Design an awesome pancake stack!

Decorate a sparkling pancake supper table!

[Remainder of UPC Lent Schedule is Inside]





The Worship Team . . .

. . . will continue implementing UPC's longtime tradition of flowers in the Sanctuary each Sunday throughout 2021.

Those wishing to sponsor Sanctuary Flowers for a particular Sunday may simply email upcbloomington@gmail.com or call the church office at 812-332-1850 to make a reservation.

Sanctuary Flowers may mark a celebration such as a birthday, anniversary, baptism, promotion, graduation or other milestone or the flowers may be dedicated to the memory of a loved one.

Mary M's Walnut House Flowers will continue to provide the arrangements. Cost is \$25 which includes delivery. Once the reservation is made, the Worship Team will place the order. Sponsors may also provide arrangements.



How to Get Involved



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If you are interested in contributing articles or helping to put together the Reaching UP newsletter, please contact Andy Hill at andy@andyhill.us

Little Red Wagon

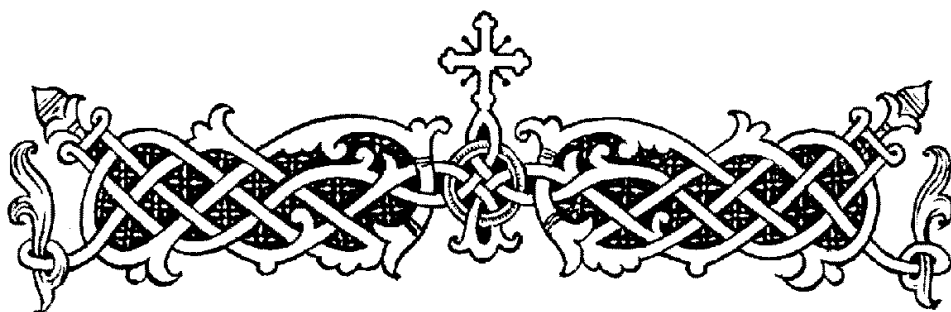
The little red wagon is waiting to be filled with canned goods and hygiene products for Monroe County United Ministries. For more information ask one of our Deacons.

Video and Sound Systems

If you are interested in learning how to operate the sound system or help in taping Sunday worship service please contact Don Root at rootd@msn.com.

Utilize Scrip

UPC receives a percentage from the merchant for each gift card purchased. Place and purchase your order the first Sunday of the month & pick up the following Sunday.



FEBRUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

In response to COVID-19, the UPC Session continues to recommend that worshippers stay home Sundays. The Worship Team has arranged for the pastor, liturgist, music director, sound and camera operator to be in the sanctuary each Sunday to conduct a live service. Worshippers may view the service on Zoom. The UPC email list will receive the link to Zoom via email.



February 7 — **Holy Communion.** Liturgist: Deacon Michelle Heitink; sermon presented by The Reverend John Napoli. Music performed by Benjamin Watkins on organ and piano. Holy Communion served by Rev. Napoli.

February 14 — **Transfiguration Sunday.** Liturgist: Elder Alejandra Haddad; sermon presented by Reverend John Napoli. Music by Benjamin Watkins on organ and piano.

Shrove Tuesday, February 16 and Ash Wednesday, February 17 begin the 2021 Lenten Season. A complete schedule of Lent Services at UPC may be found elsewhere in this issue of Reaching UP.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries



Feb 8 Eydie Peacher
Feb 10 C. Allen Colwell



Financial Report

December income was \$14,187, which is good, but expenses were \$17,152 giving us a deficit of \$2,965 for December. The good news is that, for the year as a whole, our giving significantly outpaced expenses. We ended 2020 with a surplus of \$14,582. Expenses were lower with the building being closed for much of the year and giving was up, allowing us to survive well financially in an otherwise very challenging year. Thank you again for your continuing support and prayers.

Don Root

✍✍✍✍ **We Get Letters** ✍✍✍✍

Send letters to Reaching U.P., UPC, 1701 E. 2nd, Bloomington, IN 47401 or upcbloomington@gmail.com

To my UPC Family,

Over the past four months I've had a number of medical issues and challenges including a successful surgery on January 19. Thank you for your kind thoughts and many prayers. They are making a difference. Your concern for me is appreciated.

Yours in Christ,

Judie Iverson

UPC Session,
On behalf of Scouts BSA
Troop 1119, I would like to
offer our sincere appreciation
for allowing us to use
the United Presbyterian
Church sanctuary for our
court of honor. These scouts
have worked very hard to
earn these accomplishments
and we appreciate your
role in helping make their
recognition happen.
Thank you!
Stephen W. Gordon,
Assistant Scoutmaster



United Presbyterian Church ❖ 2021 Lent Schedule

Due to the pandemic, all services are via Zoom.

Rev. Napoli, the Liturgist, Music Director and Tech persons will present from the Sanctuary.

Ash Wednesday, February 17 – 7 p.m.

Rev. John Napoli. Sofia Kim, violin and Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ.

First Sunday in Lent, February 21 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, Deacon Lou Malcomb

Second Sunday in Lent, February 28 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, James Haverstock

Third Sunday in Lent, March 7 – 10 a.m.

Holy Communion by Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, Deacon Fadi Haddad

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 14 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, Elder Bob Hammel

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 21 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ; Liturgist, Elder Stephanie Worden



Palm Sunday, March 28 – 10 a.m.

Rev. John Napoli

Guest Artist TBA

Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ

Liturgist, Deacon Vera Heitink

Maundy Thursday Holy Communion, April 1 – 7 p.m.

Rev. John Napoli

Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ

Good Friday Tenebrae Service, April 2 – 7 p.m.

Rev. John Napoli; Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ

Guest Artist TBA

Easter Worship Service, April 4 – 10 a.m.

Holy Communion served by Rev. John Napoli

Guest Artist TBA

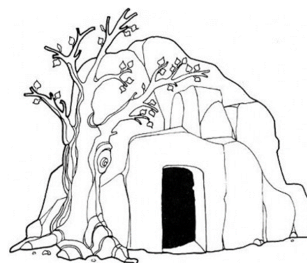
Benjamin Watkins, piano and organ;

Liturgist, Elder Alejandra Haddad

Readers: Raja Hanania–Arabic; Elder Gerrit Heitink–Dutch;

Elder Alejandra Haddad–Spanish

Rev. John Napoli – English



Jeeyoon Kim 30 x 3

The first one was wonderful! In response to this weird time of battling a pandemic, our own Jeeyoon Kim created a unique way to maintain a connection with her fans. The *30 x 3 Concert* series. Direct from her San Diego living room, Jeeyoon premiered the first of three virtual thirty minute concerts on January 17.

It was a delightful selection of music beautifully performed. Isn't that always the case with Jeeyoon? There will be another 30 minute installment on the afternoon of Sunday, February 21 and the series will wrap up on Sunday, March 14.

Now an award-winning recording artist with two successful albums, Jeeyoon's fame and achievements continue to grow. While working toward her master's and doctorate at IU, Jeeyoon served as Music Director at UPC. After receiving her PhD with distinction, she continued as our Music Director while a faculty member at Butler University as she earned another Master's Degree (in music education, Piano Pedagogy) from Butler. Her bi-weekly "Journey Through Classical Piano" podcast is a hit and she's making a second appearance at Carnegie Hall on March 25.

If you weren't able to sign up and log on for the first *30 x 3 Concert*, don't miss the next two! Hurry right over to jeeyoonkim.com and get the details.

Jeeyoon made special arrangements for UPC friends and members to catch the concerts for free. Contact Allen in the church office to get the code for free admission. As her fame grows, Jeeyoon hasn't forgotten us!

