

MAY 3, 2020 10:30 A.M. FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN*

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

No. 183

GREETINGS, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Beaver UCC!

If you are new or would like more information, please fill out a welcome card, located in the holder on the back of each pew, and place it in the offering plate.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*All who are comfortable, please stand.

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Office Hours: Tues. 1-6 p.m.

Wed 10 a.m. -12 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.

Thu 10 a.m. -12 p.m.

Other times available by appointment

Choir Director: Karen Barger Organist: Alex Ignatiou Children's Sunday School: 4th – 7th Teacher: Brittany King Young Learners: K – 3rd Teacher: Sarah Hogan Nursery: Infant – Pre-K Teacher: Hayden Rauls

- Handicapped restrooms are on the main and lower levels.
- Hearing assistance device is available at the sound system control table.
- Nursery Child Care for infant to kindergarten is available on the upper level (UL). An usher will direct you to the location.
- The Infant Comfort Room is located off the foyer for the convenience of worshippers with infants.

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

All:

Let us pray these familiar words, recognizing in the Risen Christ our Good Shepherd: Jesus, you are our shepherd. We shall never want. You make us lie down in green pastures; you lead us beside the still waters. You restore our souls. You guide us in the paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Even though we may walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we fear no evil, for you, Christ, comfort us. Jesus has prepared a table for us in the presence of our foes; Jesus has anointed us with the oil of salvation; our cup runs over! Surely, goodness and mercy will follow us all the days of our lives, and we will dwell in the house of our Holy Savior forever and ever. Amen.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All:

We forget that we are a reflection of your image. We act as though you are a Sunday-only event. Increase our mindfulness of you, O God. Help us to a greater common awareness of your deep mystery and infinite presence. Rouse our awareness of you, God. Open our eyes from surface focus to depth perception. Turn our heads from shallow concerns to eternal truths. Awaken us from faint-heartedness, O God. Forgive us for our narrow and selfish ways. Save us from cheap grace with your amazing grace. Forgive us, O God. We ask in Jesus' precious name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader:

Holy, Forgiving God, we are your sheep. You keep us awake and aware. You can increase our Godconsciousness every day of our lives. Bless you and praise you for forgiving us when we are barely mindful enough to ask. Help us to enter by the door when we hear the voice of the Good Shepherd. We hear your

voice of pardon. Amen.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia and Amen!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn Let Us Break Bread Together No. 323

Joys and Concerns

People: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Organ Response

OFFERING OF GIFTS & SELVES TO GOD

Offertory

Presentation of Gifts (Doxology)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

Prayer of Blessing

SPECIAL MUSIC

LESSONS Psalm 23 OT pg. 607

John 10:1-10 NT pg. 139

SERMON "Fear"

COMMUNION

PARTING SONG* Lord of Life

Lord of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.

Day by day show the way, be Thou our vision to guide us.

Striving to follow Thy noble plan, nothing can divide us. Lord of Life, Lord of Love, walk forever beside us.

BENEDICTION, POSTLUDE, & CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

May Meetings: None

[†]Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession provided by the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways publication

> May 10th, 2020 Acts 7:55-60 & John 14:1-14