

NOVEMBER 1, 2020 10:30 A.M.
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN*

For All the Saints

No. 546

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

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

All:

Come all who are leaders in a turbulent time, explore God's ways of justice, mercy, equity. Come all who are leaders in a confusing time, hear God's call to honesty, clarity, wisdom. Come all who are leaders in a dangerous time, trust God's ways of challenge, courage, presence.

BEAVER UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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 by Karen & Bill Barger, for their son Rev. Brian Eastman, in honor of his 43rd birthday.

^{*}All who are comfortable, please stand.

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

> November 8th, 2020 Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25 & Matthew 25:1-13

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All:

For the times when we have let complacency about our own circumstances take the place of advocacy for a just world for all, Lord have mercy. For the times when we have let the appearance of faithfulness stand in for truly faithful effort, Christ have mercy. For the times when we have created burdens of injustice and inequality for others to bear, Lord have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: In Jesus Christ, our Messiah and teacher, we are

forgiven and sent out to the world to model a

leadership of justice for all, and joy in the reign of God.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn Joys and Concerns Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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 Joshua 3:7-17

OT pg. 234

Matthew 23:1-12

NT pg. 33

No. 2

SERMON

"Draw Near"

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:

November Meetings: Every Tuesday, Social Hour via Zoom, 7:00 pm

Tue., Nov. 3rd; **Social Hour via Zoom**, 7:00pm

Every Tuesday we will have our virtual social hour from 7:00-8:00pm. We will connect via Zoom, a popular app that works on laptops, smartphones, iPads, computers with a camera and microphone, or you can even call in on a regular phone. It is free when you sign up for a basic account, and more information can be found at www.zoom.us where you can get your free account. However, an account is not necessary to join the meeting. The information for the meeting will be sent out via the all-church email list every Tuesday. If you are not on the all-church email list, send your email to Pastor Brian and he can add you. We will continue the social hour every Tuesday at 7:00pm until things return to normal circumstances more or less.

Ongoing; Truss Project Matching Grant

We are currently working on a major project to replace damaged trusses above the sanctuary, replacing the roof and ceiling as well in the process. The project will likely cost around \$300,000 in total. We have had good news, in that insurance will be paying for part of the project, however, we will still likely have to pay between \$100,000 and \$200,000 ourselves. This will be paid for by a combination of donations from a capital campaign, draw down of the endowment, and possible loans depending on the total cost to the church. We have set a goal of raising \$50,000 in donations before the end of 2020. This goal has already been started off by a very generous matching grant of \$25,000 put forth by several families in the church. Between now and the end of the year, if we raise \$25,000 in donations, then the families behind the grant will match those donations with an additional \$25,000 donation for a total of \$50,000. The grant has been given in memory of Sharon Parkison and John J. and Anna Mary Sullivan, and in honor of Martha Stevens. Please consider giving and having your gift generously doubled.

Thur., Nov. 5th; **Book Study via Zoom**, 7:00pm

We will have a new book study that will be four weeks in length on Thursday evenings, starting on Thursday October 15th, and ending on Thursday November 5th. We will meet all nights at 7PM over Zoom, and the information for the Zoom meeting will be sent out via the all church email list each Thursday. The book we are reading is "Everybody Always: Becoming Love in a World Full of Setbacks and Difficult People" by Bob Goff. It is a fairly well-known book and you can pick up a copy perhaps at the library or at some bookstores, and certainly on Amazon; the ISBN number is (0718078136). October 15th – Prologue, Chapters 1-6; October 22nd – Chapters 7-12; October 29th – Chapters 13-18 November 5th – Chapters 19-24, Epilogue