



NOVEMBER 8, 2020 9:00 A.M.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**Tune to 96.1 FM for the service**

Rules: If you leave your car or have your windows down, you must have a mask on, and you must keep a 20ft. distance from any person you do not live with.

PRELUDE

GATHERING HYMN\*            *I Surrender All*            No. 366

GREETINGS, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

**All:            Call upon God's Wisdom, God will answer! Seek God's Wisdom, God dwells in the midst of life. Follow God's Wisdom, God leads in the paths of light and generosity.**

INVOCATION

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\*All who are comfortable, please stand.

**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: 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Teacher: Brittany King  
Young Learners: K – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
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Today's altar flowers are given by Pastor Brian in honor of his and Amelia's 14th wedding anniversary.

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

Tue., Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>;      **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](http://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.

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

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

**All:**            **Though we may delight to be here, together, in worship, let us remember that the Prophet Amos offers us a word from God to challenge any complacent comfort. Our praise, our worship, our singing, however beautiful and heartfelt, must be accompanied by the work of justice in community. What pleases God is to have justice pour from our lives like waters, and righteousness from our work, like an ever-flowing stream.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS<sup>†</sup>

Leader:        God's grace flows through our lives, refreshing and making all things new. Let this grace flow from us as justice and righteousness, that our lives and work may bless our world in Jesus' name.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Joys and Concerns

**People: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.**

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

LESSONS

Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25

OT pg. 258

Matthew 25:1-13

NT pg. 37

SERMON

"Witness"

CLOSING HYMN\*

*Higher Ground*

No. 399

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