



DECEMBER 20, 2020 9:00 A.M.
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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* *The First Noel* No. 136

GREETINGS, WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

All: Sing out, my soul! Sing of the holiness of God: Who has delighted in humanity; lifted up the poor, satisfied the hungry, given voice to the silent, and grounded the oppressor. Sing of the longing of God: Sing out, my soul!

INVOCATION

*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: 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.
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Today's altar flowers are given by Linda Racz, wishing everyone a Merry Christmas!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

Thur., Dec. 24th; **Christmas Eve Service**, 7:00pm

Please join us December 24th at 7:00 PM for our Christmas Eve service. We will be holding a simultaneous drive-in service in our front parking lot, and a Facebook Live service. In the case of bad weather, the service will be on Facebook Live only. Pastor Brian will offer a Christmas message, and we will sing your favorite traditional Christmas hymns. We will have communion and end with "Silent Night". We hope that It is truly a special night at Beaver Church as it has been in the past, and we hope you can join us.

Dec; **Cookie-less Cookie Walk**

Because of the pandemic we are not holding our annual cookie walk. However, Martha is not one for letting a fundraising opportunity go by, and so she has come up with the Cookie-less Cookie Walk. For those of us that would usually spend money to bake cookies for the cookie walk, Martha is asking that we send what money we would normally spend to the church instead. For me that sounds like a great deal, and I won't have to bake 50 dozen cookies. All money sent to the church for the Cookie-less Cookie Walk will go towards the truss project fundraiser. Simply put "Cookie Walk" on your check or on a note with your donation. We will be accepting these special donations through the end of the year.

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

December 27th, 2020
Psalm 148 & Luke 2:22-40

PRAYER OF CONFESION[†]

All: Creator God, even in the midst of a season of joy, we must confess that there are times when we lose sight of what really matters. We get so caught up in our own plans that we neglect to look out for others. While we are anxiously awaiting Emmanuel and the hope that Christ's birth will bring, we often neglect to bring hope to those who are alone and hurting during this season of Advent. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: God is the same yesterday, today, and forever. God's love never fails. God's mercies are new every morning. Therefore, take heart and be encouraged. God is not only with us, God forgives us.

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	2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Luke 1:26-38	OT pg. 340 NT pg. 77
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SERMON	"Home"
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CLOSING HYMN*	<i>Go, Tell It on the Mountain</i>	No. 138
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PARTING SONG*	<i>Lord of Life</i>
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**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