



JANUARY 31, 2021 10:30 A.M.
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *God of Grace and God of Glory* No. 292

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.

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 Tom and Lisa Rauls in celebration of their anniversary that was on January 4th.

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

February 7, 2021
Isaiah 40:21-31 & Mark 1:29-39

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

All: **Friends in Christ, what hopes do you bring to worship? We bring hope for health and wholeness. What affliction do you bring to worship? Physical pain? From illness and injury. Emotional pain? From sad and scary life situations. Mental pain? From stresses of many kinds. So come, let us enter this sanctuary. Hopeful, afflicted and bold, come, let us worship!**

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: **O Divine Healer, we confess that sometimes we yearn for you to wave a magic wand on our wounded lives to remove our pain, illness, and suffering. We hear the gospel story of the one seeking healing from Jesus and assume you will perform a similar miracle for all of us if we just pray hard enough! And we do pray! Open our eyes to recognize the teachings and tools you have given us with which to seek healing. Renew our spirits in the midst of our afflicting spirits. Transform us, O Holy One, for the health of your creation. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: In the midst of struggle, and afflictions, know that you are made in God's image and God sees you as whole and good. So may you celebrate God in your midst through opportunities of wholeness and justice.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Blessed Assurance* No. 345
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 Deuteronomy 18:15-20 OT pg. 211
 Mark 1:21-28 NT pg. 47

SERMON "Authority"

CLOSING HYMN* *How Great Thou Art* No. 4

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:

January Meetings:

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

Tue., Feb. 2nd; **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.