



FEBRUARY 28, 2021 10:30 A.M.  
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

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PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN\*                      *He Leadeth Me*                      No. 461

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

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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 Byron & Anne Kulander in celebration of their 54th wedding anniversary.

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

March 7, 2021  
Psalm 19 & John 2:13-22

CALL TO WORSHIP†

**All:** "Walk before me, and be blameless," said God to Abram, "And I shall make my covenant between me and you." Quite openly, we've measured that distance. Quite openly, we've stayed away. Quite openly, we've distanced ourselves. Quite openly, we didn't want to be closer. Quite openly, we are not blameless. Quite openly, we are here. We are here to open ourselves to our In-between God.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

**All:** We are quite open about our successes. We feel free to boast when we have done well, but we are not quite so open when things have gone wrong. We do not praise God anyway. Instead, we recognize the distance between me and you, between you and God, between God and me.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: You can look behind. You can search ahead. God will meet you in between. God promises to always be right there.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *There Is a Balm in Gilead* No. 423  
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 22:23-31                      OT pg. 607  
   Romans 4:13-25                      NT pg. 206

SERMON                      "Awe"

CLOSING HYMN\*              *Because He Lives*                      No. 213

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:**

**February Meetings:**

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

Tue., Mar. 2<sup>nd</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.

Thur., Mar. 4<sup>th</sup>;                      **Book Study via Zoom, 7:00pm**

We will have a new book study that will be three weeks in length on Thursday evenings, starting on Thursday February 25th, and ending on Thursday March 11th. 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 *Crazy Faith: Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives* by Susan K. Williams Smith. It is not as well-known of a book but there should be new paperback copies available on Amazon soon if you order now, and there are several cheap used copies for sale there currently. It is also available on Amazon Kindle; the ISBN number is (978-0817015312).

February 25th – Introduction, Chapters 1-4

March 4th – Chapters 5-8

March 11th – Chapters 9-12, Conclusion