



MARCH 7, 2021 10:30 A.M.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *Morning Has Broken* No. 60

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 Byron & Anne Kulander in celebration of Chris Kulander's birthday.

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

March 14, 2021
Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 & Ephesians 2:1-10

CALL TO WORSHIP†

All: Our lips sing praise and our whole selves rejoice in the God who makes us free. We gather, recognizing that not all human beings have known this freedom. The divine will was made known in Eden and in Egypt; in Gettysburg and in Cape Town. Born in freedom, redeemed from slavery, our destiny in Christ is liberty.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

All: In this season of Lent we reflect on those things that lead us away from the life we desire. We focus on that which we do that oppresses and enslaves others who, like us, are created in the image of the divine. And now we seek the grace that frees us to live in faithfulness to holy love.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: The God of who brought the Israelites out of Egypt, is the power that frees us from our sin. Live in the grace of God's love as you walk in the way of Jesus and surely you shall find mercy at the end of that road.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Just As I Am* No. 342

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 19 OT pg. 605
 John 2:13-22 NT pg. 126

SERMON "Temptation"

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:

March Meetings:

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

March 24, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Tue., Mar. 9th; **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.

Thur., Mar. 11th; **Book Study via Zoom, 7:00pm**

We will have our last book study meeting on Thursday March 11th at 7PM over Zoom, and the information for the Zoom meeting will be sent out via the all church email list. 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).

March 11th – Chapters 9-12, Conclusion

Sun., Mar. 14th; **OGHS Offering**

We will be taking up a special offering for "One Great Hour of Sharing" next Sunday. This is one of the 4 special offerings we take up for our denomination each year. This offering will go to helping those in need around the world, including programs in 138 different countries.