



JULY 25, 2021 10:30 A.M.  
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**(Optional) Tune to 96.1 FM for the service**

The service can also be listened to on any radio on church property.  
For those that wish to stay in your cars for the service, you can listen to  
the station listed above.

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN\*      *For the Beauty of the Earth (vs. 1 & 5)*  
No. 560

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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Rev. Brian Eastman, Pastor

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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 is available for infant to kindergarten and those children that parents feel would be best in the Nursery. Due to the pandemic, the Nursery will be held in the Fellowship Hall and outdoors when weather permits. There will be two vaccinated teachers at all times.

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Lay Reader: Gail Wells

Today's altar flowers are given by Byron & Anne Kulander, in memory of Byron's sister Amelia Kulander, who passed away on Memorial Day.

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

August 1, 2021  
2 Samuel 11:26-12:13 & John 6:24-35

#### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

Leader: As God is our shepherd we need nothing else.  
**People: We rest in green pastures and walk by still waters, which renews and refreshes our spirits.**

Leader: God guides us along paths of righteousness  
**People: And walks with us through shadowed valleys so we are not afraid. The shepherd's staff comforts us.**

Leader: God set the banquet table for us in the presence of our enemies. There, we're anointed with oil and our cup overflows.  
**All: Goodness and mercy shall never depart from us as long as we dwell in the house of God.**

#### INVOCATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

**All: O God, we live in a diverse community. There are people of different cultures, people on the left and the right, young and old, rich and poor. We would like to love others as you do, but we often can't. We've erected walls built upon our biases, fears, and insecurities that keep us apart. Forgive us that we cannot love as unconditionally as you. Help us to take down those walls so we may welcome the stranger and truly be one community together. Amen**

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS<sup>†</sup>

Leader: We know we fall short in our discipleship. We've confessed our sins before God. We look to God to repent of our sins and transgressions. By God's overflowing steadfast love and mercy we are forgiven.  
**All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Joys and Concerns

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

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Organ Response

OFFERING OF GIFTS & SELVES TO GOD

Offertory

**Presentation of Gifts\***

***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                      John 6:1-21                      NT pg. 131  
   Ephesians 3:14-21                      NT pg. 261

SERMON                      "Abundance"  
   Guest Ministers Revs. Stuart & Gail Wells

CLOSING HYMN\*                      *Peace Like a River (vs. 1 & 3)*                      No. 498

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:**

**July Meetings:**

**Wednesday July 28<sup>th</sup>, Consistory, 7:00 pm**

Fri., July 30<sup>th</sup>;

**United Church Homes Golf Outing**

You are invited to participate in the United Church Homes golf tournament on July 30th. This is a fundraiser for the organization that runs several of our UCC nursing homes including Trinity here in Beavercreek. The tournament will be at Beavercreek Golf Club and start at 8:00 am on Friday July 30th with breakfast. The cost per player is \$100 and includes breakfast 18 holes, and lunch. You can register online at <https://www.unitedchurchhomes.org/trinity-at-beavercreek/> where there is a link at the top of the page. You can also email [advancement@uchinc.org](mailto:advancement@uchinc.org) and register that way. We already have 3 people from the church participating, and will be looking for at least one more to form a team. If you register, please let Pastor Brian know so he can let the event organizers know who is from the church and thus should be put together on a team.

Sun., Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>;

**Sanctuary Rededication Sunday**

Please join us on Sunday August 1st as we will have a special portion of our 10:30am service for rededicating the updated sanctuary space. We will join in a special prayer for our ministry and use of the space for Christ's mission, present a plaque commemorating the project, and thank all who made this project possible.