



FEBRUARY 5, 2023 10:30 A.M.
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

(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* *Break Thou the Bread of Life* No.274

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 Teachers:
Brittany King, Sarah Hogan, Hayden Rauls

- Handicapped restrooms are on the main and lower levels.
- Hearing assistance devices are available on the blue table near the altar by the back entrance.
- Children's Sunday School is available year-round during the service for children who are toddler age through 5th grade. Children depart to go to Sunday School after the Children's Moment.

Lay Reader: Jenny Rauch

Fellowship Meal: First Sunday Carry-In

Today's altar flowers are donated by Nancy Pack, in honor of our
mother Betty Raines

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

February 12th, 2023

Scripture: Deuteronomy 30:15-20 and Matthew 5:21-37

Fellowship Meal: Karen Barger

Lay Reader: Tom Rauls

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: Let the Mystery of God draw us in:

People: Beautiful, Just, Merciful!

Leader: Let the Wisdom of God surprise us:

People: Vulnerable, Powerful, Searching!

Leader: Let the Glory of God shine through our work:

People: Salty, Bright and Good!

Leader: In the Mystery, the Wisdom, the Glory of God

All: Let us worship!

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: Isaiah reminds us that our prayer, fasting and pious ritual must be lived out in compassion and justice: When we forget the fast you desire—To do justice, and stand up for the powerless: Lord, have mercy. When we forget the prayer you love—To show compassion, and care for those in need: Christ, have mercy. When we forget the rituals you require—To create relationships of righteousness and peace: Lord have mercy.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: Friends, the love of God revealed in Jesus forgives us, heals us and sets us free to rebuild, restore, and raise up foundations for new generations.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Spirit of the Living God* No. 247

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

CHOIR ANTHEM *This is God's House*

LESSONS Psalm 112:1-10 OT pg. 672
 Matthew 5:13-20 NT pg. 5

SERMON "Salty"

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:

February Meetings:

February 21, Church Planning Committee via Zoom, 7:00 pm

February 28, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Today; **1st Sunday Carry-In, 12:15 pm**

Today, we will have our 1st Sunday Carry-In. This month we are doing a theme. We asked that for those bringing a main dish, to please make it a soup or chili to share. Also, there will likely be plenty leftovers, so please take some home.

Fri., Feb. 17th; **Rescheduled Pizza & Game Night, 6:00 pm**

The planning committee has decided that we would try and have a few more church wide social events in 2023. The first of these events will be a church pizza and game night in the fellowship hall that has been rescheduled for Friday February 17th. We will meet at the church at 6:00pm and the church will have pizza delivered. We are asking that people who come bring a favorite game with them, and we will gather in groups to enjoy the evening together. Please come and join us for this fun event. Also, please let Pastor Brian know if you think you might attend so we have an idea of how much pizza to order.

Wed., Feb 22nd; **Ash Wednesday Service, 7:00pm**

Join us from 7:00 – 7:30 PM on Wednesday, February 28th, for our Ash Wednesday service. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Please come participate in this holy day, where we set the spiritual tone for the season to come. The service will be both in-person, and online.

- All are invited to enjoy lunch and conversation in the downstairs Fellowship room following the service. Donations of snacks are always welcome. Lunch is provided by volunteers with the help of your donations. The first Sunday of the month is always a church potluck.
- Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know of someone who would appreciate a prayer shawl, please talk to Pastor Brian.