



FEBRUARY 19, 2023 10:30 A.M.

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

(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* *Immortal, Invisible* No. 25

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

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: We hear your challenge, O God, and your call:

People: Come! Says the Lord. Come up to the Holy Mountain!

**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: Patti King

Fellowship Meal: Ed & Jenny Rauch

Today's altar flowers are donated by Dean & Mindy Severtson.

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

February 26th, 2023
Scripture: Psalm 32 and Matthew 4:1-11
Fellowship Meal: Dean & Mindy Severtson
Lay Reader: Mindy Severtson

Leader: We hear you, Holy One, but we are afraid. What will we find there?
People: **Come! Says the Lord. Come up to the Holy Mountain!**
Leader: We are assembled in this sanctuary, this holy place. Let us meet together here.
People: **Come! Says the Lord. Come up to the Holy Mountain!**
Leader: Anoint us as your priests to those who live on the margins – the outcasts, the lonely, the ignored.
People: **Anoint us as your holy people, to receive your Word.**
Leader: Come! Says the Lord. Come up to the Holy Mountain! I am the Sovereign and Holy One. Do not be afraid.
All: **Come! Let us worship God!**

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

All: **God of Mercy and Grace, you come to us in Jesus of Nazareth to break down the dividing walls of hostility between us: Yet we maintain walls that separate and isolate. You give us the ministry of reconciliation: Yet we nurse our wounds and withhold mercy and forgiveness. You invite us to join with Peter, James, and John in the mountain of Transfiguration: Yet we deny the wonders you have worked in our own lives. You ask us to acknowledge and share our wealth: Yet we refuse to recognize and relieve the poverty around us. You bless our lives with boundless love: Yet we fail to witness to that love, and so keep others from knowing you. Transform us by your Spirit and your Word into that which pleases you, the image of Christ.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: Jesus admonished Peter, James, and John not to tell of what they witnessed on the mountain until he was resurrected. But we can tell what we have seen and heard of God's glory! Here is the good news: Jesus lives! He is raised! We are forgiven! Go, share the vision! Tell of God's love! In this God is well pleased!
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Seek Ye First* No. 42
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

ANTHEM *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Bell Choir

LESSONS Exodus 24:12-18 OT pg. 92
 Matthew 17:1-9 NT pg. 24

SERMON "Overwhelmed"

CLOSING HYMN *O Worship the King* No. 10

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

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.