



APRIL 2, 2023 10:30 A.M.

PALM 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* *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* No. 97

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: Carolyn Conner

Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday Carry-in

Today's altar flowers are donated by Bill & Carolyn Conner.

- Prayer Shawl Ministry: If you know of someone who would appreciate a prayer shawl, please talk to Pastor Brian.

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

April 9th, 2023

Scripture: Acts 10:34-43 and John 20:1-18

Fellowship Meal: No Lunch, Easter Breakfast at 9:00 am

Lay Reader: Mindy Severtson

CALL TO WORSHIP†

Leader: We gather together in this place. Raising our branches in joy!

People: Joining all who wish to see Jesus eager for a healing touch, a blessing received.

Leader: We gather together in this place. Raising our branches in hope!

People: Joining all who wish to hear Jesus longing for a message of welcome and acceptance on our journey.

Leader: We gather together in this place. Laying down our branches in fear.

People: Wondering if we are able to walk with Jesus through the week ahead, through anguish, accusations, despair.

Leader: We gather together in this place. Waving branches of prayer.

All: Walking toward the Cross, and the empty tomb.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

All: Loving God, we confess that the streets of our lives are often crowded with a parade mood filling the air masking a callous indifference and lukewarm faith. Save us from thin hopes and small dreams.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: Where and when we fail, God is there to make all things new. Where and when we reach out with trembling hands and shaky hearts, God holds us close and forgives all things. Go in the knowledge that you are forgiven and cherished.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *All Glory, Laud and Honor* No. 173
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 *Were You There When They Crucified the Lord*
Bell Choir

LESSONS Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 OT pg. 675
Matthew 21:1-11 NT pg. 30

SERMON "Who is This?"

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:

April Meetings:

April 18, Planning Committee via Zoom, 7:00 pm

April 25, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Ongoing:

Easter Eggs

We will be having an Easter egg hunt on April 9th after the 10:30am Easter service. The event will be held outside if the weather permits, and inside if there is bad weather. Please feel free to bring plastic eggs with treats in them in the weeks leading up to Easter. They can be left on the island in the kitchen downstairs.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE

Today
Palm Sunday

Thursday April 6th
Maundy Thursday Service; 6:00 pm

Sunday April 9th
Easter Breakfast; 9:00 am – 10:15 am
Worship Service with communion; 10:30 am
Easter Egg Hunt; 11:45 am

- 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.