



OCTOBER 15, 2023 10:30 A.M.
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

(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

INTROIT *Stand Up and Bless the Lord* No. 21

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *God of Our Fathers* No. 573

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: Patti King

Fellowship Meal: Pastor Brian

Today's altar flowers are donated by the Rice family in honor of Susan Sandler's and Shelby Rice's birthdays.

- Covid Safety: A reminder that Covid numbers are up, and so please stay safe with precautions. Some in the church may for instance not feel comfortable holding hands of sharing lunch, and we ask that this be respected. Booster vaccines are also now available if you are eligible and choose to do so.

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

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Scripture: Exodus 33:12-23 and 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Fellowship Meal: Margene Howell and Gretchen Weiler

Lay Reader: TBD

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: Gather at the mountain of God's holiness.

People: Today is a day to celebrate God.

Leader: Gather aware of those you left behind to be here.

People: Today is a day to stand in the gap between God and God's children.

Leader: Gather to share God's presence.

All: Today is a day of transformation for us and for God's world.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: When we have fashioned idols of our own desire or worshiped the temples of our own tradition, Lord, have mercy. When we have denied your invitation to the banquet of love and justice, or failed to extend the invitation to others, Christ, have mercy. When we have adorned ourselves with worry rather than joy or failed to be gentle, knowing you are near, Lord, have mercy.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: Praise be to God, our sins are forgiven. God's steadfast love endures forever.

All: Thanks be to God.

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

Joys and Concerns No. 393

All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Choral Response *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* No. 614

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	<i>In the Quiet</i>	
LESSONS	Exodus 32:1-14 Philippians 4:1-9	OT pg. 100 NT pg. 269
SERMON	"Peace"	
CLOSING HYMN*	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i>	No. 228

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:

October Meetings:

October 17th, Planning Committee via Zoom, 7:00 pm

October 24^h, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Today; **Neighbors in Need Offering**

This Sunday, we will take up our denominations Neighbors in Need offering, which is one of the four denominational offerings we support each year.

Fri., Oct. 27th; **Congregational Pumpkin Carving, 6:30 pm**

All kids and adults, let it be known that we will again be having our annual grand pumpkin carving event on Friday October 27th at 6:30 PM here at the church. Please bring a pumpkin to carve, whatever carving instruments you feel you need. We will likely have apple cider and other snacks, feel free to bring those as well. All are invited.

- Please consider donating new non-perishable food items to our food panty collection box in the comfort room.
- 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.
- Card Ministry: Please sign the cards on the table at the front of the sanctuary. Let Shirley or Gretchen know about those with physical or emotional needs who would appreciate a card. Your prayers for these people are much appreciated.