



APRIL 7, 2024 10:30 A.M.
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

(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 *Come, We That Love the Lord* No. 18

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *Crown Him with Many Crowns* No. 234

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: N/A
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 given by Carolyn & Bill Conner, in honor of birthdays.

- 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.
- Church Email List: If you would like to receive updates about church events and worship, please give your email address to Pastor Brian and he will add you to the church email list.
- 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 or 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.

April 14, 2024
 Acts 3:12-19 and Luke 24:36-48
 Fellowship Meal: Pastor Brian
 Lay Reader: Patti King

CALL TO WORSHIP†

Leader: A new day:
People: Christ lives!
 Leader: In our hearts and in our world:
People: Christ lives!
 Leader: In the face of an unexpected neighbor:
People: Christ lives!
 Leader: As we share God's abundance:
People: Christ lives!
 Leader: As we care for God's creation:
People: Christ lives!
 Leader: As we share the good news, let our joy be complete:
All: Christ lives!

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

All: Redeeming God, with you there is always more life, more hope, more joy. Forgive us for ever doubting to see your work in the still things, the busy things, the darkest moment and the everyday, under-noticed plod of life. Forgive us when we balk at action, and refuse to turn on fully the tap of compassion, settling for a mere trickle. Open us now to your love that lets us relax into life, and fill us with trust, hope and justice. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: Within every kernel of doubt, there is a tree of life and hope. In those times when our faith falters, when we cannot bring ourselves to see the presence of the Holy among us, God takes our faith and transforms it, patiently showing us the many ways Christ walks among us. Look around you: as close as your own beating heart, and in the eyes of your nearest neighbor, grace abounds at the heart of all life. You are all God's children, loved without condition, go in that peace.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah and Amen!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Let Us Break Bread Together* No. 323
Joys and Concerns

All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Response *Let the Words of My Mouth* No. 618

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

Mindy Severtson

LESSONS

Acts 4:32-35

NT pg. 163

John 20:19-31

NT pg. 154

SERMON

Question Sunday

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 16th, Church Planning Committee (via Zoom), 7:00 pm

April 23rd, Consistory, 7:00 pm

Today;

Special Congregational Meeting, 12:30 pm

We will be having a special congregational meeting today at 12:30pm in the sanctuary and on Facebook Live. The meeting is to further discuss the repair and replacement of the fire alarm system that was approved at our annual meeting. The congregation originally approved an expenditure of up to \$6,500, and after getting quotes it seems that the new system will cost between \$11,000 and \$12,000.

Today;

Question Sunday, 10:30 am

Today will be a Question Sunday. Church members will be asked to write down questions at the beginning of the service and Pastor Brian will answer them during his sermon time.

- Please consider donating new non-perishable food items to our outdoor food panty or the 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.