



APRIL 27, 2025 10:30 A.M.
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

(Optional) Tune to 96.1 FM for the service

The service can also be listened to on any radio on church property.

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

INTROIT *This Is the Day* No. 590

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: Donna Larsen

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: Jeannette Papajcik

Fellowship Meal: Patti King

Today's altar flowers are given by Pat & Doug Goudy, for April 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.

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

May 4, 2025
 Scripture: Acts 9:1-20 and John 21:1-19
 Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday Carry-in
 Lay Reader: TBD

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: God's strong and loving hands are outstretched to all Creation.
People: Let the world stretch forth and grasp God's hands with joy.
 Leader: God's open hands are as the gate of righteousness.
People: Let us enter in to God's abundant life and give thanks.
 Leader: In God's hands are new life, strength, and salvation.
All: Let us be thankful and sing unto our God with gladness.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: Forgive us for not exercising the strength of our hands for the good of your Creation. Give pardon for allowing our hands, gifted by You, to rest idling by our sides. We seek the guidance of your hands to point us to your brightest light, salvation, and new life for your suffering world. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, the Way. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: Risen Jesus, You are our salvation. Your forgiveness causes us to rejoice in your glory. Your nail-scarred touch has endowed within us fullness of grace. We lift our hands in thanksgiving, strong as the upraised branches of your majestic trees. Praise You for the power of your mighty hands upon us, for they reach into the depths of our hearts. You are marvelous!
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Hallelujah!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* No. 462
Joys and Concerns

All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Choral 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

LESSONS	Acts 5:27-32	NT pg. 164
	John 20:19-31	NT pg. 154

QUESTION SUNDAY

CLOSING HYMN*	<i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus</i>	No. 233
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PARTING SONG*	<i>Lord of Life</i>
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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:

None

Ongoing; **Military Card Program**

We have been continuing our military card ministry. We are asking those who are interested to fill out a card.

Ongoing; **Food Pantry Ministry**

Please consider donating new non-perishable food items to our outdoor food pantry, the food pantry shelf downstairs, or the collection box in the comfort room.

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.

Sun., May 5th; **Pastor Brian Taking Time Off**

Pastor Brian will be taking time off from May 5th through May 19th. If you need to speak with a pastor while he is gone, you may contact Rev. Charlie Williams at (937) 830-6034 or Rev. Martha (Marty) Smith at (216) 233-0637.

Sun., May 11th; **Mother's Day**

Mothers, past and present, will be honored with a carnation on Mother's Day, May 11th. Because there are often afternoon plans on Mother's Day, there will be no meal after service.

- 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.