



JUNE 22, 2025 10:30 A.M.
SECOND 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.

PRELUDE

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* 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

*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: Karen Barger

Fellowship Meal: Pat & Doug Goudy

Today's altar flowers are given by Brian & Melissa Baumbarger to
celebrate their 20th anniversary

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

June 29, 2025
Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 and Luke 9:51-62
Fellowship Meal: Karen & Bill Barger
Lay Reader: Ruth Tobias

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: Come, all you whose souls thirst for the living God.
People: We come in search of help and hope.
Leader: Come, you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.
People: We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.
Leader: Come, you who are in need of good news.
People: We come in search of joy, truth, and light.
Leader: Come and find refuge in God your rock.
All: Let us again praise the One who is our help and our hope.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: We confess, O God, that we often find ourselves distracted by a legion of destructive voices that make false promises. Surely these are our inner demons: We believe safety and security can reside in ample bank accounts. We think that success leads to real happiness. We equate power with dominating others. We hold fast to pain and anger as if they were treasure in a chest. We soothe our fear of failure with substances that do harm. We feed our hunger for love and approval with food that does not satisfy. Break hold of the chains that bind us, O God. Set us free from the tombs in which we dwell.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: Friends, hear this good news: In Christ God calls us forth from the tomb to the light of new life. The healing power of God's forgiveness restores us to wholeness. God releases us from the chains that bind us. We are set free to be children of God!
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *It Is Well with My Soul* No. 493
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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Donna Larsen

LESSONS

1 Kings 19:1-15

OT pg. 397

Galatians 3:23-29

NT pg. 253

SERMON

"Freedom"

CLOSING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

No. 1

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:

June Meetings:

Tuesday June 24, Consistory, 6:00 pm

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.

- 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.
- 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.