

July 20, 2025 10:30 a.m. Sixth 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\* O God, Our Help in Ages Past No. 52

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 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
   Children depart to go to Sunday School after the Children's Moment. Children will remain in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Sunday School classrooms until an adult family member comes to get them.

Lay Reader: BeBe Buttner
Fellowship Meal: Judy Hudson & Pat Ferguson
Today's altar flowers are given by Melissa Baumbarger honor of Brian
Baumbarger's birthday.

Aug.  $14^{th} - 16^{th}$ ; Garage Sale

Make sure to place it on your calendars. We will be having our garage sale again on August 14<sup>th</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to bring boxed items between know and the 10<sup>th</sup> of August. We will be setting up the sale earlier this year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August and taking it down on the 17<sup>th</sup>. There are volunteer signup sheets will be placed soon under the clock at the back of the sanctuary.

- 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.

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

July 27, 2025 Scripture: Hosea 1:2-10 and Luke 11:1-13 Fellowship Meal: Austin & Julia Lay Reader: Shirley Nelson CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

Leader: Christ is in our midst! How will you bid him welcome?

People: We will throw open the doors to our hearts. We will

delight in his presence.

Leader: When God shows up, surprising things can happen.

People: We will make ourselves ready. We will lay down our

burdens and set aside our distractions.

Leader: Here we receive good news: Nothing is too wonderful

for God!

All: So let us laugh and sing, rest and listen, dance and

praise. Let us worship God!

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

All: Gracious, inviting God, you continually provide us

with opportunities to practice generous hospitality. But our fear of difference, reluctance to share, and desire to be in control make our welcome appear weak and insincere. Because we long for what is familiar and comfortable, we have difficulty honoring the stranger as a sacred guest who bears the face of Christ. Worn out and irritated by the work we think we must do, we miss opportunities to receive the gifts that such guests offer us. Forgive us, O God, for

focusing on the wrong things. Show us how to do what is right.

SILENT CONFESSION

Assurance of Forgiveness<sup>†</sup>

Leader: The Psalmist declares that those who speak the truth

from their heart will abide in God's sanctuary. God hears the difficult truths we have named aloud and in the silence of our hearts. Now let the wonderful gift of

God's forgiveness flow through you. May the

abundance of God's mercy and grace set you free to

serve God with love.

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**July Meetings:** 

Tuesday July 22, Consistory, 6:00 pm

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn Joys and Concerns I Surrender All

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 Deep River Piano: Donna Larsen

Viola: Karen Barger

No. 366

LESSONS Amos 8:1-12 OT pg. 997

Luke 10:38-42 NT pg. 97

SERMON "Hunger"

CLOSING HYMN There's a Wideness in God's Mercy No. 68

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

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.

Wed., July 16<sup>th</sup>; **Book Study: The Birth of Satan**, 6:30pm
We will be starting a new book study on Wednesday nights at
6:30PM from July 16<sup>th</sup> through July 30<sup>th</sup>. The book we are
reading is The Birth of Satan: Tracing the Devil's Biblical Roots
by T.J. Wray and Gregory Mobley.
July 23rd – Chapters 3-5; July 30th – Chapters 6-8

Sat., July 26<sup>th</sup>; **Church BBQ & Outdoor Game Night**, 4:30pm Beaver church is going to have a fun event for everyone on the evening of Saturday July 26th, starting at 4:30pm and going until whenever. We are inviting people to bring outside games such as corn hole, and we are going to be barbequing hot dogs and hamburgers for everyone. We will start at 4:30pm but will be playing games and grilling all evening. The church will provide hot dogs and hamburgers, but any side dishes or desserts that can be brought would be appreciated.

Sat., Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Church Clean Up**, 10:00am

We will be doing another church cleanup; this time we will be working on the comfort room and the stairwell by the choir room. Please come and help if you can. It should not be too big of a project, mostly moving some things around.