



JULY 27, 2025 10:30 A.M.  
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**(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\*      *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      No. 2

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

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\*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.

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Lay Reader: Shirley Nelson

Fellowship Meal: Austin & Julia

Today's altar flowers are given by Linda Racz.

- 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.

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

August 3, 2025

Scripture: Hosea 11:1-11 and Luke 12:13-21

Fellowship Meal: Pastor Brian; No Carry-In

Lay Reader: TBD

#### CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

**People: For in Christ we find in all fullness, the holiness, the justice, and the hope of God.**

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

**People: To feel God's life in us, flowing through our roots in Christ and establishing our faith.**

Leader: We come abounding in thanksgiving:

**All: To celebrate the mystery of God-with-us: Christ, who lives fully in us and in whom we fully live. Let us welcome the One who was sent to make us alive in the fullness of God. Amen.**

#### INVOCATION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

**All: Holy One, your call is deceptively simple: "Do to others as you would have them do to you" And yet we cling to self-serving ways, which separate us from your beloved creation: You call us to turn our lives around, to risk repentance and learn forgiveness, to work with patience and diligence to prepare the way for your Reign, but we get discouraged and give up too soon. Lord, Have mercy.**

#### SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS<sup>†</sup>

Leader: Our God is good, and generous, and loving: Trust in Jesus' promise: "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Break Thou the Bread of Life* No. 274  
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 *Intermezzo* Pietro Mascagni  
Piano: Donna Larsen; Viola: Karen Barger

LESSONS Hosea 1:2-10 OT pg. 973  
Luke 11:1-13 NT pg. 97

SERMON "Hope"

CLOSING HYMN *Take My Life and Let It Be* No. 379

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:

### **July 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.

Wed., July 30<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 30<sup>th</sup> – Chapters 6-8

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.

### **Garage Sale Info:**

**Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Table setup at 10:00am

**Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Placing items after on tables after church. There will be lunch, but there will not be a carry-in on 8/3.

**Aug. 4<sup>th</sup> – Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>:** Pricing, and there will be no lunch after church on Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>:** Garage Sale

**Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>:** Garage Sale teardown after church