

AUGUST 17, 2025 10:30 A.M.
TENTH 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\* Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation No. 276

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: Mindy Severtson
Fellowship Meal: Patti King
Today's altar flowers are given by Sherry Stevens, in memory of: Gary,
8/24 and Conny, 8/7.

- 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.

August 24, 2025 Scripture: Jeremiah 29:10-14 and John 5:1-15 Fellowship Meal: Karen & Bill & Nancy Pack Lay Reader: Shirley Nelson CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>†</sup>

Leader: Let us sing to the God of Hosts

People: Who provides for us, and whom we worship in this

space.

Leader: How awesome is our God

People: Who created from nothing all that is beautiful in this

world;

Leader: Who anticipates our every need; who loves us beyond

measure.

All: O God, our God give heed to our presence. Hear our

voices lifted up to you in praise.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>†</sup>

All: When your love and justice do not flow through our

lives, our community withers, and so do we. Forgive us, O God! In your loving care, show us again the way

to participate in your realm.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS<sup>†</sup>

Leader: My friends, be assured that God hears our petitions!

God continues to expect of us a life in which justice prevails. This is God's desire for us. We, God's forgiven people, are free to live into that desire. God loves us

still.

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

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

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

LESSONS Isaiah 5:1-7 OT pg. 747

Luke 12: 49-56 NT pg. 102

SERMON "Division"

CLOSING HYMN\* Be Thou My Vision No. 382

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:**

**August Meetings:** 

Tuesday August 19, Planning Committee (via Zoom), 6:30 pm Tuesday August 26, 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.

# Ongoing; Crayons to Classrooms

From now through August 24<sup>th</sup>, we are collecting new school supplies for children in disadvantaged schools through the local Crayons to Classrooms program. You can bring any new school supplies from now through August 24<sup>th</sup>, and place them in the box at the front of the church.

## Today; Garage Sale Takedown

After church today we will be taking down the garage sale setup and packing up any remaining items. Please stay and help if you can.

# Mon., Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> **Pastor Brian Away**

Pastor Brian will be away from after the service today until Tuesday August 26<sup>th</sup>. If you have an emergency and need to talk to him, he will be reachable by his cell phone. If you have general pastoral needs during this time, you may contact Rev. Charlie Williams at (937) 830-6034 or Rev. Martha (Marty) Smith at (216) 233-0637.

 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.