



SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 10:30 A.M.
THIRTEENTH 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* *Let us Break Bread Together* No. 323

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. Children will remain in the 3rd floor Sunday School classrooms until an adult family member comes to get them.

Lay Reader: Steve Filer

Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday carry-in

Today's altar flowers are given by Karen & Bill Barger, in memory of
Marc, Elinora, and Elmer Smith.

- 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.

September 14, 2025

Scripture: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 and 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Fellowship Meal: TBD

Lay Reader: TBD

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

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: To take the clay of our lives, and shape disciples:
People: God calls us to the Potter's House
 Leader: To receive and mend those who are broken from life experiences:
People: God calls us to the Potter's House
 Leader: To shelter all who are outcast and heavily burdened:
People: God calls us to the Potter's House
 Leader: Let us enter this place of transformation:
All: And worship our God!

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: Gracious God, in the fields of our lives, we strive to be fruitful, but we fall short. We get so comfortable that we sleep when we need to be vigilant about the errors in our own lives and the injustices around us. We are so casual about wrongdoing that it creeps into our lives and threatens to overwhelm the good we do. Forgive us.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: God's word assures us that everything we need to be disciples in the Potter's House. God is able to place us on the wheel and shape us into vessels that will serve all people. We can leave this place with the assurance that we are being molded daily by the Potter and when we come forth we shall love like God.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Nearer, My God, to Thee* No. 393
 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 *Pavane Pour Infante DeFunte* Maurice Ravel
Piano: Donna Larsen Viola: Karen Barger

LESSONS Jeremiah 18:1-11 OT pg. 840
Philemon 1:1-21 NT pg. 293

SERMON "Useful"

COMMUNION

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

September Meetings:

Tuesday September 9, Deacon Meeting, 6:30 pm

Wednesday September 17, Consistory, 6:30 pm

Wednesday September 24, Planning Comm., 6:30 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.

Sat., Sept. 13th; **Church Clean-Up Day, 10:00am**

We are having another church cleanup day, and this will be a very important one where everyone's help is needed. We will be cleaning out and organizing the old kitchen, and the library area downstairs. We will also be cleaning up and taking care of all the items left over from the garage sale. We expect to be working until at least 2pm, but any help you can provide is greatly appreciated. The church will provide lunch, and if people with trucks could bring them, we will be taking a few loads to Goodwill as well.

Wed., Sept. 16th; **Book Study: Book of Revelation, 6:30pm**

We will be starting a new book study on Tuesday nights at 6:30PM from Sept 16th through Oct 28th. This will be a seven-week Bible study on the book of Revelation. We will be using a study guide as well, that is "Revelation & the End of All Things" by Craig R. Koester. This will be a hybrid book study, we will meet in person in the fellowship hall each Tuesday, and it will also be available online via Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent out via the all-church email list. Pastor Brian has several copies of the study guide if you would like one.
Sept 16th – SG Ch 1; Sept 23rd – Rev 1-3, SG Ch 2; Sept 30th – Rev 4-7, SG Ch 3; Oct 7th – Rev 8-11, SG Ch 4; Oct 14th – Rev 12-15, SG Ch 5; Oct 21st – Rev 15-19, SG Ch 6; Oct 28th – Rev 19-22, SG Ch 7