

October 26, 2025 10:30 a.m. Twentieth 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

INTROIT Even Now, Lord

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* Stand Up and Bless the Lord No. 21

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 Jeannette Papajcik

*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: Karen Barger Fellowship Meal: Patti King Today's altar flowers are given by Bill & Carolyn Conner, in honor of Bill's birthday.

November 2, 2025 Scripture: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 and Luke 19:1-10 Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday carry-in Lay Reader: TBD

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

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Praise waits for you, O God, in all your world! Leader:

People: You hear our prayers, forgive our sins and call us to

dwell with you!

God of our hope, you are the life of the entire world. Leader:

Your faithfulness calls forth songs of joy from the ends People:

of the earth.

Leader: You formed the mountains and still the roaring sea.

> You calm the uproar of the nations. You care for the land, bless it with water, and fill it with grain to feed

the people.

All: Let all creation shout and sing for joy.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All:

Loving God, we know that in every generation you call forth prophets to proclaim your word. We give you thanks that you are still speaking even today. Your Spirit inspires the young to see visions of a new creation and elders to dream of a time not yet known. Yet we confess that we fail to hear your voice when it comes from an unexpected place. Convinced that we are right, we miss the Good News of your reconciling love. Forgive us, God. Restore us with humility and awaken us anew to

your presence and your promise. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

The God of creation is a God of mercy. God is guick to Leader:

> forgive and God's promise of restoration is for all people. Friends believe the Good News of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn Let the Beauty of the Lord No. 412

Joys and Concerns

All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)

Choral Response Let the Beauty of the Lord

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

ANTHEM Wade in the Water

LESSONS Joel 2:23-32 OT pg. 987

Luke 18:9-14 NT pg. 109

SERMON "Sure"

CLOSING HYMN Freely, Freely No. 447

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:

October 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.

Tue., Oct. 28th; **Book Study: Book of Revelation**, 6:30pm We will be finishing our book study this Tuesday night at 6:30PM. This is a Bible study on the book of Revelation. We are using a study guide as well, that is "Revelation & the End of All Things" by Craig R. Koester.

Oct 28th – Rev 19-22, SG Ch 7

- 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.