



AUGUST 30, 2026 10:30 A.M.
FOURTEENTH 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* *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

*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, Ellie 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: Tom Rauls

Fellowship Meal: Gretchen Weiler

Today's altar flowers are given by Isabel Shafer.

- 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 6, 2026

Scripture: Exodus 12:1-14 and Matthew 18:15-20

Lay Reader: Karen Barger

Fellowship Lunch: 1st Sunday Carry-in

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

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: We who dwell in the shelter of the Most High
People: Seek God here.
 Leader: We who come to be inspired and changed
People: Seek God's Spirit here.
 Leader: We who know how little we know
All: Seek God's Word here.

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: God of mercy and forgiveness, we confess that: our love isn't always genuine. We see evil and wring our hands instead of resisting it. We forget to consider more ways to serve you. We turn our back on strangers who could benefit from our hospitality. We do not pray enough for our enemies. We associate with our own kind, fearing the "other". We relish in fantasies of revenge. For all this, and for all that burdens our heart today, O God, we seek your forgiveness.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: God's mercy extends beyond the bounds of even our collective imagination. God's love seeps through any wall we could ever put up. God's goodness holds more power than the sum of all sin. It is because of that extensive, seeping, powerful and bold love I declare to you in the name of the blessed and holy Trinity: That God forgives us all our sins.
All: Thanks be to God.

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *I Surrender All* No. 366
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 Donna Larsen

LESSONS Exodus 3:1-15 OT pg. 64
Romans 12:9-21 NT pg. 215

SERMON "Blessings"

CLOSING HYMN* *Trust and Obey* No. 349

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:

August Meetings:

None

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; **Garage Sale Cleanup**
There is still some furniture upstairs, and some boxes and items downstairs just past the fellowship table area. Unless something has sold written on it, you are free to take it home. We are also asking that if people please take an item or box with you to donate to your charity of choice.

Today; **Willhelm Baptisms, 1:30pm**
After church today Logan and Austin Willhelm will be being baptized. They have requested full immersion baptisms and so we will be meeting at 1:30pm in the parking lot of The Narrows Reserve Park in Beaver Creek and using the nearby river. Everyone is invited to join if they wish.

Sun., Sept. 6th; **Choir Rehearsal Starts**
We will be starting choir rehearsals again on September 6th. Choir rehearsals are from 12:15pm to 1:00pm after our fellowship lunch. All are invited to sing in the choir, if you are interested, please talk to Karen Barger.

Sun., Sept. 13th; **Bell Choir Rehearsal Starts**
We will be starting bell choir rehearsals again on September 13th. Bell choir rehearsals are from 9:15am to 10:00am before church each Sunday. All are invited to be in the bell choir, if you are interested, please talk to Karen Barger.