



SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 10:30 A.M.
FIFTEENTH 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 Almighty King* No. 267

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

CONFIRMATION (See Insert)

*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: Karen Barger

Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday Carry-in

Today's altar flowers are given by Karen Barger in memory of her parents, Elmer and Elinora Smith and her brother, Marc 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 13, 2026

Scripture: Exodus 14:19-31 and Matthew 18:21-35

Lay Reader: Carolyn Conner

Fellowship Lunch: Doug & Pat Goudy

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

CALL TO WORSHIP[†]

Leader: Praise God!

People: Sing to God a new song!

Leader: Give thanks to our Maker.

People: We rejoice in our sovereign God.

Leader: Let us praise God with dancing and music.

All: Let the faithful sing for joy as we praise God together!

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION[†]

All: Gracious God, too often we take you for granted. When you call us to leave the situations that constrain us, we are too complacent to hear your voice, and too timid to leave what is familiar. Make us ready to go where you lead us. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS[†]

Leader: God grace is abundant, God's love is never-ending. As children of God, receive forgiveness and blessing.

All: Thanks be to God.

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Bless Be the Tie That Binds* No. 286
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 12:1-14

OT pg. 74

Matthew 18:15-20

NT pg. 26

SERMON

"With Us"

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:

September 9th, Deacon's Meeting, 6:30 pm

September 16th, Church Planning Committee via Zoom, 6:30 pm

September 23rd, Consistory, 6:30 pm

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;

Choir Rehearsal Starts

We will be starting choir rehearsals again today. Choir rehearsals are from 12:15pm to 1:15pm 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.

Tue., Sept. 15th;

Gospel of John Bible Study, 6:30pm

Starting on Tuesday September 15th we will be begin a 10-week Bible study on the Gospel according to John. We are using an optional study guide that is the "Abingdon New Testament Commentaries: John". Pastor Brian has a few copies of the book and it is available on Amazon if we run out. A full list of the reading schedule is available on the information table at the front of the church, next to the card table. This will be a hybrid book study that meets in-person every Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall, and also will be available at the same time via Zoom.