NOVEMBER 1, 2026 10:30 A.M.
TWENTY-THIRD 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 *Surely the Presence of the Lord*

CARRYING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD

GATHERING HYMN* *For All the Saints* No. 546

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: Pat Ferguson
Fellowship Meal: 1st Sunday Carry-in
Today's altar flowers are given in honor of Pastor Brian's birthday by Mom and Bill.

- 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.

November 8, 2026
Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46 and Amos 5:10-24
Lay Reader: Donna Banks
Fellowship Lunch: Gretchen Weiler

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



CALL TO WORSHIP†

Leader: Come all who are leaders in a turbulent time
**People: Explore God's ways of justice, mercy, fairness.**
Leader: Come all who are leaders in a confusing time
**People: Hear God's call to honesty, clarity, wisdom.**
Leader: Come all who are leaders in a dangerous time
**All: Trust God's ways of challenge, courage, presence.**

INVOCATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION†

**All: For the times when we have let complacency about our own circumstances take the place of advocacy for a just world for all, Lord, have mercy. For the times when we have let the appearance of faithfulness stand in for truly faithful effort, Christ, have mercy. For the times when we have created burdens of injustice and unfairness for others to bear, Lord, have mercy.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS†

Leader: In Jesus Christ, our Messiah and teacher, we are forgiven and sent out to the world to model a leadership of justice for all, and joy in the reign of God.
**All: Thanks be to God.**

TIME OF PRAYER (You may remain seated)

Call to Prayer Hymn *Morning Has Broken* No. 60
Joys and Concerns
**All: Dear Lord, hear our prayers.**
Silent Prayer
Lord's Prayer (debts, debtors)
Choral Response *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace* No. 617

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 *Rain Down*

LESSONS Joshua 3:7-17 OT pg. 234
Matthew 23:1-12 NT pg. 33

SERMON "Inconceivable"

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:**

**November 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.



Sun. Nov. 15th; **Volunteer Award**

We are voting for our volunteer of the year award. We will take votes through Nov. 15th. The vote box and slips are on a table at the front of the church. You can also email your vote to Pastor Brian. Prior winners are not able to win again and their names are listed in the newsletter and are on the table.

Sat. Nov. 21st; **Cookie Walk Fundraiser**, 10:00 am

As many of you know we are doing a cookie walk and bake sale fundraiser on November 21st from 10am to 5pm. Please tell everyone you know about the event.

Sun. Nov. 29th; **Washington UCC Fund Drive**

We are collecting monetary donations through Sunday November 29th to help Washington UCC's Christmas program assisting around 100 families. You can write a check or give cash to Beaver Church, and then the church will combine everyone's donations and give the funds to Washington UCC. Write Washington UCC on the check memo line or envelope.

Sun., Nov. 29th; **Hanging the Greens,** 12:15 pm

We will meet after church on November 29th and decorate the church for Christmas. Please stay to help.

Sun. Dec. 6th **Toys for Tots**

We are again collecting new toys for Toys for Tots this Christmas Season, and we will be collecting them through December 6th. There is a donation box at the front of the church by the card table.

- 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.