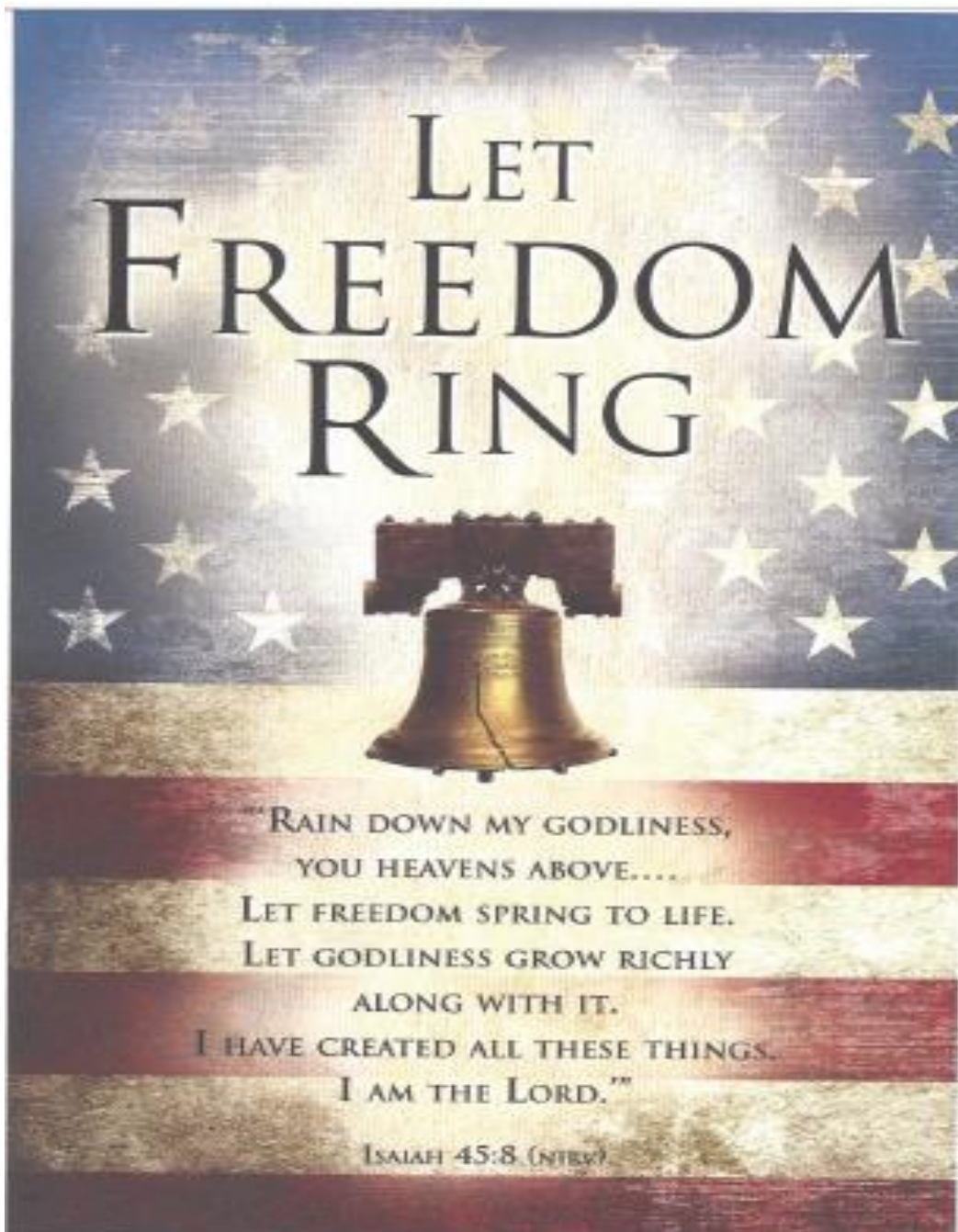


West Barre
United Methodist Church



July 4, 2021

Sunday Worship
West Barre United Methodist Church
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Prelude

Greeting

This worship is being broadcast live on Facebook and later on the West Barre UMC YouTube channel.

Choir Anthem

***Hymn** "I Saw the Light" Great Gospel Hymns #111

*** Call to Worship:**

Leader: We gather this morning appreciating our freedom to worship God.

People: May God continue to bless the Church of Jesus Christ in this land.

Leader: We gather this morning appreciating our freedom in America

People: We thank you God for the founders of this country, and for those in each generation who won liberty for themselves and for us, and who lit the torch of freedom that continues to burn bright.

Leader: We draw near to the God in Whom we trust

People: May God continue to establish peace on earth and help us understand that it begins in our hearts.

People: Come, let us worship the Lord together!

Unison Prayer:

Almighty God, you rule all the peoples of the earth. Inspire the minds of all women and men to whom you have committed the responsibility of government and leadership in the nations of the world. Give to them the vision of truth and justice, that by their counsel all nations and peoples may live together in peace. Give to the people of our country zeal for justice and strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will to see your kingdom come. Through Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

Children's Time

Joys and Concerns

Scripture Lesson: Romans 7:18- 8:6

***Hymn**

“Victory in Jesus”

Great Gospel Hymns #18

Faith Declaration:

This is my Bible. Every word in it is true. The truth shall set me free, and the truth will keep me free. I choose to be a doer of the word and not a hearer only, and to faithfully respond to the call of Jesus Christ. What is his calling? To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Amen.

Morning Meditation

“The Cost of Freedom”

A Service of Word and Table II

UMH 12

Announcements

***Hymn**

“America” (Verses 1, 2, 4)

UMH 697

Benediction with Blessing

Now may the God of peace, that brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, and work in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever Amen.

Go in peace, and glorify God with your lives.

***Sending Forth**

Disperse in Mission

Note for visitors: **Bold text is spoken in unison**, *congregation standing as able. Please sign our visitor log before you leave, we’d love to be in touch with you! Refreshments are served after worship through the door at the front of the sanctuary.

To access our website, type: westbarreumc.org For Facebook, type: West Barre UMC

To contact Rev. Heiler: 716-523-7542 or jheiler0409@gmail.com Pastor Jim is available 8 am on Sunday mornings, and Wednesdays from 12:30-6:30 pm, for anyone who might like to meet/talk with him.

Assisting in Worship

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| | Today 7/4 | Next Sunday 7/11 |
| Preaching: | Rev. Jim Heiler | Rev. Jim Heiler |
| Greeter/Ushers: | | |
| Liturgist: | | |
| Organist: | Naomi Caldwell | Naomi Caldwell |
| Choir Director: | Hugh Dudley | Hugh Dudley |
| Altar Flowers: | | |

Announcements:

Monday: 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study by zoom
Tuesday: 7:00 pm Choir
Wednesday: 6:00 pm Education

Looking ahead:

July 11: 5:30-7:30 pm Hebrew Band in the Park
July 12: 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study by zoom
July 13: 7:00 pm Choir
July 14: 4-6:30 pm Chicken BBQ

Food Pantry: Cereal (or item of your choice). Please place in bins either by the coat rack in the Chapel or at the top of the ramp.

Shopping Cart Mission: Personal care items (soap, shampoo, toothpaste etc.) for the Homeless

Monthly Mission: Flood Buckets

The lawn mowing signup sheet is on the bulletin board.

Copies of this month's newsletter are on the back rack in the Sanctuary.

Copies of the Bridge Newsletter from the Conference are on the back rack in the Sanctuary and on the table by the door in the Chapel, along with the Advocate and the One Hope for Asia newsletter.

Financial Statement:

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|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| June 27, 2021 | \$ 1,605.00 |
| Giving to Date: | \$34,917.00 |
| Included: | |
| Blankets & Tools: \$ 130.00 | Total: \$620.00 |
| Food Pantry: \$ 100.00 | |

Birthday's this week:

6 ~ Adele Mathes

7 ~ Jill Chandler

8~ Julie Decker

Happy Birthday!

Anniversaries this week:

8 ~ Jim & Doreen Brumbaugh

10 ~ Hugh & Eleni Dudley

Happy Anniversary!

Anyone who would like their birthday or anniversary put in the bulletin, if it's not already on the list, please make out a card and either put it in the offering plate or give it to Sherrill Hickman or Lee Preston.

Anyone who would like to place flowers on the altar, or sponsor flowers you are asked to let Naomi (590-4380) or Lanor (208-1965) know.

Manufactures coupons for our Military overseas may be up to two Months expired. You may send the coupons directly to: Support Our Troops, Troopons, Box 70, Daytona Beach, FL 32115

Please consider spending a bit of time in the near future pulling weeds, cutting back overgrowth, etc. Add birdhouses, butterfly homes, etc. and add to the uniqueness of our garden. Remember; one is the nearest to God on their knees in the garden!

The American Legion is looking for any WW2 veterans remaining. They would like to honor them at their belated 100th birthday celebration on August 14th. Please contact Gary Befus at 585-747-5106.

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

INVITATION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence

Leader to people:

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People to leader:

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Leader and people:

Glory to God. Amen.

THE PEACE

Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

All exchange signs and words of God's peace

OFFERING

As forgiven and reconciled people, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

TAKING THE BREAD AND CUP

The pastor takes the bread and cup, and the bread and wine are prepared for the meal.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ that we may be for the world, the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever.

Amen.

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

HYMN OR SONG

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Go forth in peace. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen.

GOING FORTH

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Victory in Jesus

Eugene M. Bartlett

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1. I heard an old, old sto - ry, how a Sav-ior came from glo - ry,
 2. I heard a-bout His heal-ing, of His cleans-ing pow'r re - veal-ing,
 3. I heard a-bout a man-sion He has built for me in glo - ry,

How He gave His life on to Cal - va - ry to save a wretch like me.
 How He made the lame walk a - gain and caused the blind to see.
 And I heard a-bout the streets of gold be - yond the crys - tal sea,

I heard a-bout His groan-ing, of His pre-cious blood's a - ton-ing,
 And then I cried, "Dear Je - sus, come and heal my bro - ken spir-it,"
 A - bout the an - gels sing-ing, and the old re-demp-tion sto - ry;

Then I re - pent - ed of my sins and won the vic - to - ry.
 And some - how Je - sus came and brought to me the vic - to - ry.
 And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of vic - to - ry.

REFRAIN
 O vic-to-ry in Je-sus, my Sav-ior for - ev-er! He sought me and

G A⁹ A A⁹ D G C/G G G⁷ C
 bought me with His re-deem-ing blood. He loved me ere I knew Him, and all my
 C C/E C/G G C⁶ G/D D G
 love is due Him. He plunged me to vic-to-ry be-neath the cleans-ing flood.

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice, and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

"Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. This man was handed over by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

"God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear.

"God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.

"Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

Acts 2:14, 22-24, 32-33, 36, 38-39

Hank Williams

Hank Williams
Arranged by Marty Paris

F D^m F C F D^m F F
 1. I wan-dered so aim - less, my life filled with sin, long,
 2. Just like a blind man I wan-dered with a - long,

B^b G^m B^b F
 I would - n't let my dear Sav - ior in;
 Wor-ries and fears I claimed for my own;

F D^m F C F G^m F
 Then Je - sus came like a strang - er in the night,
 Then like a blind man that God gave back his sight,

F B^b F A^m C⁷ F
 Praise the Lord, I saw the light.
 Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

REFRAIN
 F F^o F C G^m F C F F^o F C G^m F A G^m B^b B^b
 I saw the light, I saw the light; No more
 light, yes,

B \flat G \flat B \flat F A G \flat F F D \flat F F C

dark - ness, no more night. Now I'm so hap - py, no

F F $^\circ$ F C G \flat F C F B \flat F A \flat C C 7 F

sor-row in sight; Praise the Lord, I saw the light.

Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.

As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

"Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked.

"I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."

Acts 9:1-6

America

(My Country, 'Tis of Thee)

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
 2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
 3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
 4. Our fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my
 no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
 all the trees sweet free - dom's song; let mor - tal
 lib - er - ty, to thee we sing; long may our

fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,
 rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
 tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;
 land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring!
 my heart with rap - ture thrills, like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.