

Sunday Worship
West Barre United Methodist Church
Epiphany
January 8, 2023

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude

Announcements

***Hymn “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations” UMH# 569**

Bringing in the Light (acolytes)

***Call To Worship: -**

Leader: O God, our Father, as we greet the new year, and ready ourselves for all of its blessings and challenges

People: Grant us a faith which is sure and certain of what it believes

Leader: A faith which unhesitatingly believes in Your promises, and unquestionably accepts Your commands

People: A faith which is loyal and true in any situation.

Unison Prayer

**Help us, O God, at all times to do the things we ought to do;
Courage to embark upon the journey; Skill to find a way
through with all its problems;**

**Strength, to resist all temptations which would seek to lure us
aside. Perseverance, to endure at last to the appointed end;**

**So help us, in this New Year, to begin, to continue, and to end
all things in You. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 2:1-6, Acts 11: 1-18

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Children Dismissed to Their Classes

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the
worshiping throng, Water, God's Word, bread and cup
prayer and song: this is where children belong

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

UMH #895

*** Hymn "We Three Kings"**

UMH #254

Choir Anthem

Morning Meditation: "God's Gift to Us All"

Receiving of the Morning Offering

Doxology

UMH #95

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn "There's a Song in the Air"**

UMH #249

Sharing God's Light with the World (acolytes)

Benediction:

Go now and bring the hope of Christ to the world

Go now and shine the light of Christ in the darkness

Go now and share the message of salvation to the lost

Go now and love others as God loves you. Amen.

***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!

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We are also on Facebook, type: West Barre UMC

To contact Pastor Jim Heiler: 716-523-7542 or
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Pastor Jim keeps regular office hours on Wednesday from 9am to 5pm, unless he steps out for visitation, meetings, or appointments. In that case, he will leave a note on the church office door advising when he will return. Please call if you have an emergency 24/7. You matter to Jesus. You matter to me.

Go! And make disciples for the transformation of the world.



Assisting in Worship

	Today 1/8	Next Sunday 1/15
Preaching:	Rev. James Heiler	Rev. James Heiler
Greeters/Ushers:	Roger & Jill Chandler	Vicky Housenecht & Cheryl Maxon
Liturgist:	Jim Peglow	Jim Peglow
Organist:	Naomi Caldwell	Naomi Caldwell
Choir Director:	Hugh Dudley	Hugh Dudley
Altar Flowers:	Roger & Jill Chandler	Dan & Lee Preston

Announcements:

Wednesday (11 th):	6:30 pm Worship Committee
Friday (13 th)	7 pm Men's group

Looking ahead:

Sunday (15 th):	9 am Choir
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Monthly Mission:



Mission Statement

To provide services, with dignity and respect, that help people become self-sufficient.

Financial Statement:

January 1, 2023		\$2,315.00
Giving to Date:		\$2,315.00
Included:		
Care Net:	\$640.00	\$3,650.00

Birthdays this week:

- 9 ~ Joe Mathes
- 12 ~ Merri Mathes
- 14 ~ Lynette Preston




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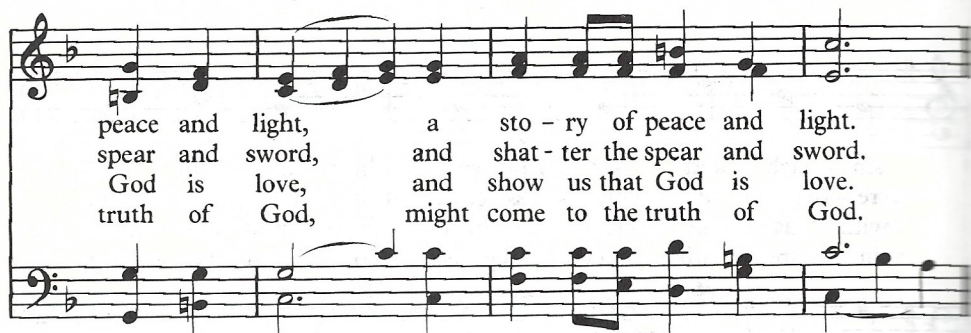
1. We've a sto - ry to tell to the na - tions,
 2. We've a song to be sung to the na - tions,
 3. We've a mes - sage to give to the na - tions,
 4. We've a Sav - ior to show to the na - tions,



that shall turn their hearts to the right, a
 that shall lift their hearts to the Lord, a
 that the Lord who reign - eth a - bove hath
 who the path of sor - row hath trod, that



sto - ry of truth and mer - cy, a sto - ry of
 song that shall con - quer e - vil and shat - ter the
 sent us his Son to save us, and show us that
 all of the world's great peo - ples might come to the



peace and light, a sto - ry of peace and light.
 spear and sword, and shat - ter the spear and sword.
 God is love, and show us that God is love.
 truth of God, might come to the truth of God.

Refrain

For the dark - ness shall turn to dawn - ing, and the

dawn - ing to noon - day bright; and Christ's great king - dom shall

come on earth, the king - dom of love and light.

Prayer of Ignatius of Loyola

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Teach us, good Lord,
 to serve you as you deserve;
 to give and not to count the cost;
 to fight and not to heed the wounds;
 to toil and not to seek for rest;
 to labor and not to ask for any reward,
 except that of knowing that we do your will;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

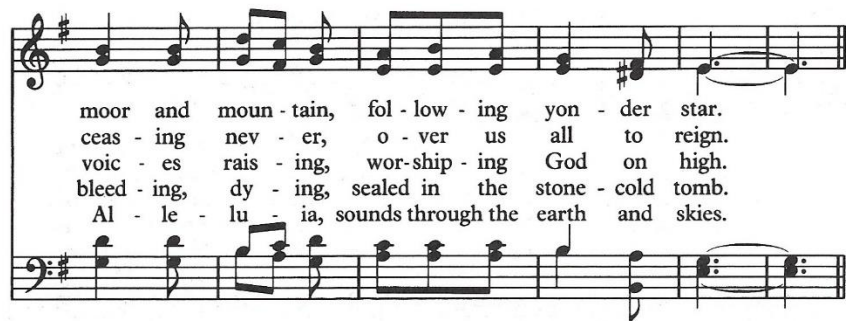
We Three Kings



1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bear - ing
 2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I
 3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense
 4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a
 5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise; King and




gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain,
 bring to crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er,
 owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing,
 life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing,
 God and sac - ri - fice: Al - le - lu - ia,



moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
 ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign.
 voic - es rais - ing, wor - ship - ing God on high.
 bleed - ing, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb.
 Al - le - lu - ia, sounds through the earth and skies.

Refrain



O star of won - der, star of light, star with roy - al beau - ty bright,



west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.

There's a Song in the Air

1. There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky!
 2. There's a tu - mult of joy o'er the won - der - ful birth,
 3. In the light of that star lie the a - ges im - pearled;
 4. We re - joice in the light, and we ech - o the song

There's a moth - er's deep prayer and a ba - by's low cry!
 for the vir - gin's sweet boy is the Lord of the earth.
 and that song from a - far has swept o - ver the world.
 that comes down through the night from the heav - en - ly throng.

And the star rains its fire while the beau - ti - ful sing,
 Ay! the star rains its fire while the beau - ti - ful sing,
 Ev - ery hearth is a - flame, and the beau - ti - ful sing
 Ay! we shout to the love - ly e - van - gel they bring,

for the man - ger of Beth - le - hem cra - dles a King!
 for the man - ger of Beth - le - hem cra - dles a King!
 in the homes of the na - tions that Je - sus is King!
 and we greet in his cra - dle our Sav - ior and King!