

Hope

*See the shepherds lift their eyes,
see them dancing on the hills
with hearts on fire,
as our world
is filled with hope.
Christ is born.*



*I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation:
my God will hear me. Micah 7:7*

**Sunday Worship
West Barre Church
December 3, 2023**

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude:

Arise Shine For Your Light is Come bulletin insert

Bringing in the Light (acolytes)

***Call To Worship**

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you

People: See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples

Leader: But the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

People: Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn

***Unison Prayer: (James Dollins)**

Spirit of God, we give you thanks for drawing near, for lighting the world with the savior's birth.

Help us to make room for you, and prepare our hearts for the hope you bring.

Come, Spirit of God; be born in us anew, that we may live in your hope and grace. In Christ's name. Amen.

***Hymn "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" UMH# 196**

Choir Anthem

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.

Lighting of the First Advent Candle

Scripture Lesson: Ecclesiastes 3:18-22

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Ephesians 2:11-13

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Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Joys, Concerns, and Week activities

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

UMH #895

***Hymn**

"O Come, O Come Emmanuel"

UMH #211

Morning Meditation

"Live a Life of Gratefulness"

The Apostles Creed

Morning Meditation:

"Arise, Shine, Thy Light Is Come"

Holy Communion Musical Setting "C"

UMH #20

***Hymn**

"'Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"

UMH #229

Sharing God's Light with the World (acolytes)

Benediction: (from Chris Tomlin's song)

Light of the World you stepped out into darkness. You opened our eyes that we may see. Shine Your light upon us Jesus. Shine through us as the light of the world. Amen.

***Sending Forth**

Disperse in Mission

To access our website, type: westbarreumc.org

We are also on Facebook, type: West Barre UMC

Pastor Jim is normally in the church office Tuesdays and Wednesdays, unless he is visiting, has a meeting, or has other appointments. He is available on his cell phone if he is not here in the office. (716) 523-7542.



Assisting in Worship

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|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Today 12/3 | Next Sunday 12/10 |
| Preaching: | Rev. James Heiler | Rev. James Heiler |
| Greeters/Ushers: | Jim & Jean Peglow | |
| Liturgist: | Jim Peglow | Jim Peglow |
| Organist: | Naomi Caldwell | Naomi Caldwell |
| Choir Director: | Hugh Dudley | Hugh Dudley |
| Altar Flowers: | Jim & Jean Peglow | |

Announcements:

Wednesday (6th): 6:30 pm Ad-Council
Friday (8th): 7 pm Men's group

Looking ahead:

Sunday (10th): 9 am Choir
December 15th: 6:30 pm Family Night supper &
Children's Christmas Pageant
December 18th: 6:30 pm Trustees

December Monthly Mission: Jesus' gift to the
Lipson Cancer Foundation – patient services
The Hope you want. The cancer care you need.



Financial Statement:

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| November 26, 2023 | | \$ 6,015.00 |
| Giving to Date: | | \$113,164.00 |
| Included in giving: | | |
| Care Net: | \$100.00 | \$ 723.00 |
| Election Dinner | | \$ 4,847.00 |

Birthdays this week:

6 ~ Carolyn Unger

8 ~ Shania Mathes



Anniversary this week:

7~ Pete & Lois Nesbitt



THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

2005

Arise, Shine

Leader
A - rise, shine; for your light has come,

All
A - rise, shine; for your
and the glo - ry of the Lord
light has come, and the
has ris - en up -
glo - ry of the Lord
on you.
has ris - en up - on you.

WORDS: Gary Alan Smith (Isa. 60:1)

MUSIC: Gary Alan Smith

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ARISE, SHINE
Irregular

Chorus:

Without Him I would be nothing

Without Him I'd surely fail

Without Him I would be drifting

Like a ship without a sail.



Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 196

1. Come, thou long - ex - spect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy
2. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and

peo - ple free; from our fears and sins re - lease us,
yet a King, born to reign in us for - ev - er,

let us find our rest in thee. Is-rael's strength and con - so -
now thy gra-cious king - dom bring. By thine own e - ter - nal

la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art; dear de - sire of
spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone; by thine all suf -

ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long-ing heart.
fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive
 2. O come, thou Wis-dom from on high, and or - der all things
 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy tribes on
 4. O come, thou Root of Jes - se's tree, an en-sign of thy

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone-ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh; to us the path of knowl - edge show
 Si - nai's height in an-cient times once gave the law
 peo - ple be; be - fore thee ru - lers si - lent fall;

Refrain
 un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 and cause us in her ways to go. Re-joice! Re-joice! Em-
 in cloud and maj-es - ty and awe.
 all peo-ples on thy mer - cy call.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

WORDS: 9th cent. Latin; trans. st. 1, 3, 5ab, 6cd, 7ab *The Hymnal*, 1940; st. 2, Henry VENI EMMANUEL
 Sloane Coffin, 1916; st. 4, 5cd, 6ab, 7cd, Laurence Hull Stookey, 1986 LM with Refrain
 MUSIC: 15th cent. French; arr. and harm. by Thomas Helmore, 1854

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5. O come, thou Key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home.
The captives from their prison free,
and conquer death's deep misery.
Refrain

6. O come, thou Dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by thy justice here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadows put to flight.
Refrain

7. O come, Desire of nations bind
all peoples in one heart and mind.
From dust thou brought us forth to life;
deliver us from earthly strife.
Refrain

Antiphons may be read before and between hymn stanzas.

Antiphon 1 O EMMANUEL, our King and Lawgiver, the Expected of the nations and their Savior: **Come and save us, O Lord, our God.**

Antiphon 2 O WISDOM, who came forth from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from end to end, and ordering all things mightily and sweetly: **Come, and teach us the way of prudence.**

Antiphon 3 O ADONAI and Leader of the house of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the flames of the bush and gave him the law on Sinai: **Come, and with your outstretched arm redeem us.**

Antiphon 4 O ROOT OF JESSE, who stands for an ensign of the people, before whom kings shall keep silence and to whom the Gentiles shall make their supplication: **Come, and deliver us and tarry not.**

Antiphon 5 O KEY OF DAVID and Scepter of the house of Israel, who opens and no one shuts, who shuts and no one opens: **Come, and bring forth from prison the captive who sits in darkness and in the shadow of death.**

Antiphon 6 O DAYSPRING, Brightness of the light eternal and Sun of justice: **Come, and enlighten those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.**

Antiphon 7 O KING OF THE GENTILES and their Desired One, Cornerstone that makes both one: **Come, and deliver us whom you formed out of the dust of the earth.**

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I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;*
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic** church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

MUSICAL SETTING C

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.

*The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering
God's acts of salvation, and concludes:*

And so,

With your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

We praise your name and join their unending hymn:

1.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might.

This system features a treble and bass staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The melody in the treble staff begins with a half note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, Bb4, and C5, then a half note D5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

2.

might. Heav-en and earth are full, full
Bless-ed is he who comes in the

The second system continues the melody. It includes a repeat sign after the first measure of the treble staff. The lyrics are split across two lines, with the second line starting under the second measure of the treble staff.

of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
name of the Lord.

The third system continues the melody. The lyrics are split across two lines, with the second line starting under the second measure of the treble staff.

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The melody in the treble staff ends with a half note G4. The bass staff continues with a steady accompaniment.

The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord's Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:

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.



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The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:

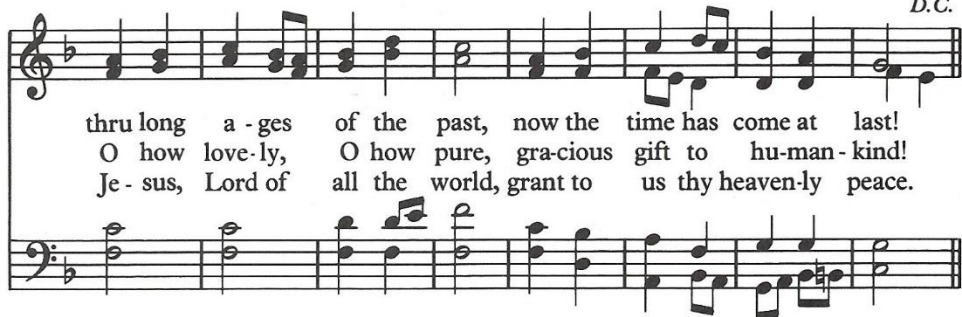
All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and for ever.

From *Deutsche Messe* by Franz Schubert; arr. by Charles H. Webb

A musical score for a hymn, arranged by Charles H. Webb. The score is written for a single melodic line (likely a voice or flute) and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with a final half note. The lyrics are "A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the melody. The score is enclosed in a large bracket on the left side.

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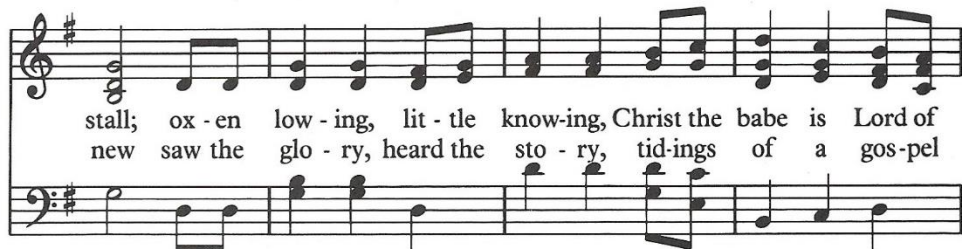
thru long a - ges of the past, now the time has come at last!
 O how love-ly, O how pure, gra-cious gift to hu-man-kind!
 Je - sus, Lord of all the world, grant to us thy heaven-ly peace.

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

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Unison

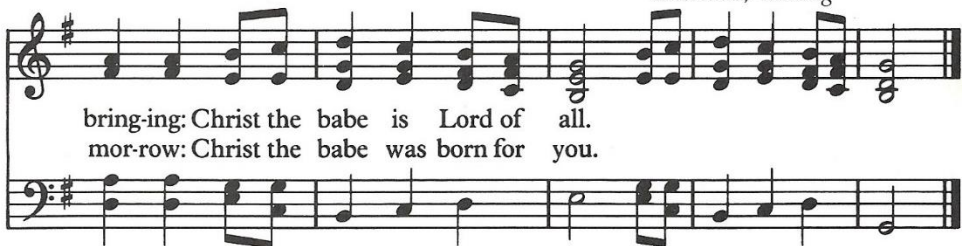

1. In - fant ho - ly, in - fant low - ly, for his bed a cat - tle
 2. Flocks were sleep - ing, shep - herds keep - ing vig - il till the morn - ing



stall; ox - en low - ing, lit - tle know - ing, Christ the babe is Lord of
 new saw the glo - ry, heard the sto - ry, tid - ings of a gos - pel



all. Swift are wing - ing an - gels sing - ing, no - els ring - ing, tid - ings
 true. Thus re - joic - ing, free from sor - row, prais - es voic - ing, greet the

Interlude, Ending


bring - ing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.
 mor - row: Christ the babe was born for you.