

Jesus took bread,



and blessed it....

AND HE TOOK THE CUP,
AND GAVE THANKS.

MATTHEW 26:26-27

West Barre Church
Sunday Worship
January 7, 2024

Welcome and Greeting

Prelude:

Opening Chorus “He Is Here” GGH #10

Bringing in the Light (acolytes)

***Call To Worship (David W. Romig)**

Leader: Wise men came from the East to worship one they had never seen.

People: They brought rich gifts to one they did not even know.

Leader: They were not Jews, yet they came to worship the King of the Jews.

People: They were outsiders, yet their offerings were accepted.

Leader: This King would make all things new.

People: They were dreamers who saw beyond the facts to the reality, and they went home changed.

**Come, come everyone, from the East and from everywhere,
Come and worship Christ, the new-born King.**

***Unison Prayer:**

Gracious Lord, inspire us today with the stories of the wise men and Rahab. Confirm again in our hearts your salvation to all mankind.

We remember that we were at one time without Christ, being aliens to the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of the promise, having no hope and without God in the world.

But now in Christ Jesus we who were once far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. Through You we have access in one Spirit to the Father, and this morning, and forevermore we give you thanks and praise. Amen.

***Hymn “Good Christian Friends Rejoice” UMH# 224**

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.

Scripture Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12 Page 1374-1375

Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

UMH #895

***Hymn “We Three Kings”**

UMH #254

Morning Meditation “The Scarlet Thread of Redemption”

A Service of Holy Communion (with Musical Setting C)

UMH# 20

***Hymn “Jesus the Very Thought of Thee”**

UMH #175

Sharing God’s Light with the World (acolytes)

Benediction

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.

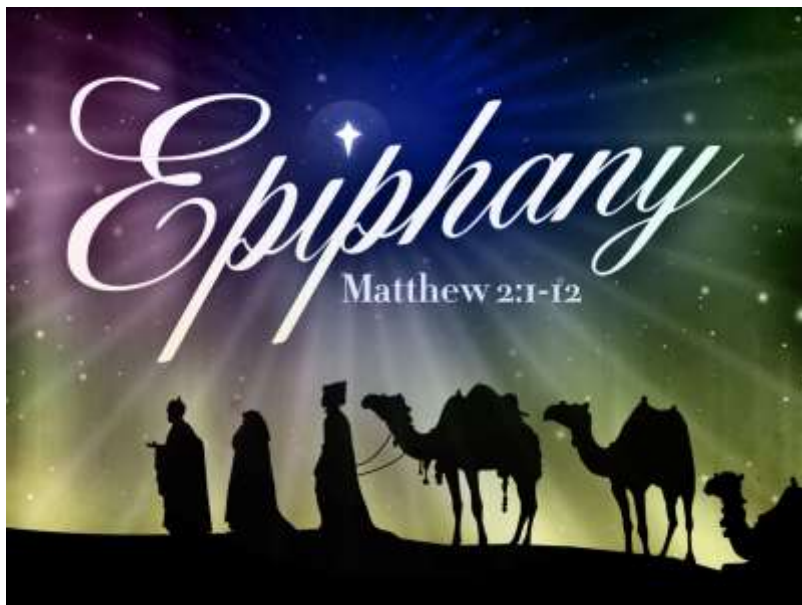
*Sending Forth

Disperse in Mission

To access our website, type: westbarreumc.org

We are also on Facebook, type: West Barre UMC

Pastor Jim usually is in the church office Tuesdays and Wednesdays. However, he will probably be working from home for a couple of weeks. He is available on his cell phone if he is not here in the office. (716) 523-7542.



Assisting in Worship

	Today 1/7	Next Sunday 1/14
Preaching:	Rev. James Heiler	Rev. James Heiler
Greeters/Ushers:	Danny Shuler, Cheryl M. & Vicky H.	
Liturgist:	Jim Peglow	Jim Peglow
Organist:	Naomi Caldwell	Naomi Caldwell
Choir Director:	Hugh Dudley	Hugh Dudley
Altar Flowers:		

Announcements:

Friday (12th): 7 pm Men's group

Looking ahead:

Sunday (14th): 9 am Choir
January 21st: 1 pm Bowling at Oak Orchard Lanes
January 29th: 6:30 pm Trustees

January Monthly Mission:



Financial Statement:

December 31, 2023		\$ 850.00
Giving to Date:		\$122,213.00
Included in giving:		
Jesus Gift	\$50.00	\$ 2,530.00

Birthday's this week:

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



Your word is a lamp for my feel, a light on my path.
Psalm 119:105 (NIV)

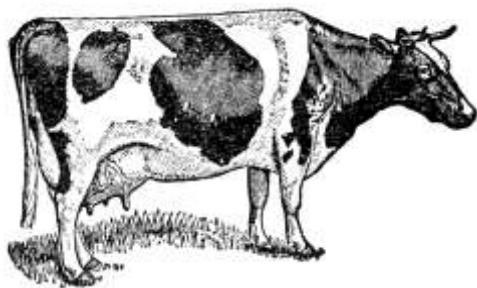


Beef on Wick Dinner
Church of the Abundant Harvest
Millville Fellowship Hall

Come hear Mark Yeazel, a former dairy farmer, now working as a missionary for the Eternal Family orphanage in Tanzania. Mark and his wife Joy will be working to start a dairy for the orphanage. Come hear his story about how he went from having a very successful dairy farm in Ohio to how God is working through him to start a dairy in Tanzania. The meal will be free, but we will be taking a free will offering to help the Yeazel's work.

Saturday, January 13, 2024, 6:30 pm

Any questions, call Peter Beach 585-704-2491



Kirk Talley

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Arranged by Marty Parks

G/A A^7 D G/D D/A $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m/D}$ D $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m/D}$ D G/D
 He is here, hal - le - lu - jah! He is here, a -

D G/D D A^7/E D/F^{\sharp} $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m}^7$ $\text{E}^9/\text{G}^{\sharp}$
 men! He is here, ho - ly, ho - ly; I will bless His name a -

A sus A G/A A^7 D G/D D $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m/D}$ D $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m/D}$ D G/D D $\text{E}^{\flat}\text{m}^7/\text{D}$
 gain. He is here; lis - ten close - ly. Hear Him call - ing out your

D D/C G/B D/A G D/F^{\sharp} D/A A^7 G/A D
 name. He is here; you can touch Him. You will nev - er be the same.

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice 224

1., 2., 3. Good Chris-tian friends, re - joice with heart and soul and

voice; give ye heed to what we say: News, news!
 voice; now ye hear of end - less bliss: News, news!
 voice; now ye need not fear the grave: News, news!

Je - sus Christ is born to - day! Ox and ass be -
 Je - sus Christ was born for this! He hath o - pened
 Jē - sus Christ was born to save! Calls you one and


fore him bow, and he is in the man - ger now.
 heav - en's door, and ye are blest for - ev - er - more.
 calls you all to gain his ev - er - last - ing hall.

Christ is born to - day, Christ is born to - day!
 Christ was born for this, Christ was born for this!
 Christ was born to save, Christ was born to save!

WORDS: 14th cent. Latin; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1855
 MUSIC: German melody; harm. by Gary Alan Smith, 1988

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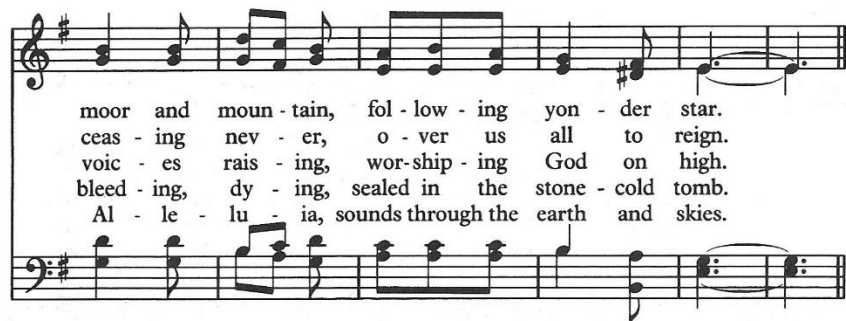
We Three Kings



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.

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 contains the first line of the musical score. It features a treble and bass staff in 3/4 time with a key signature of two flats. The melody is in the treble, and the accompaniment is in the bass. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

2.

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

This system contains the second line of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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

This system contains the third line of the musical score. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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

This system contains the fourth line of the musical score. It concludes the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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.

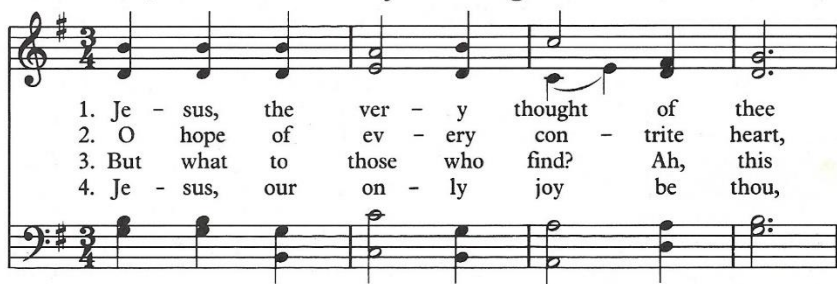
From *Deutsche Messe* by Franz Schubert; arr. by Charles H. Webb

A musical score for a hymn. The title is "Amen, amen, amen, amen." The score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with some measures containing beamed eighth notes. The lyrics "A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men." are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

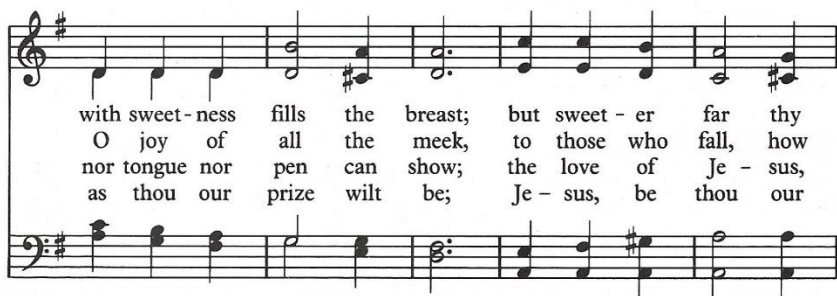
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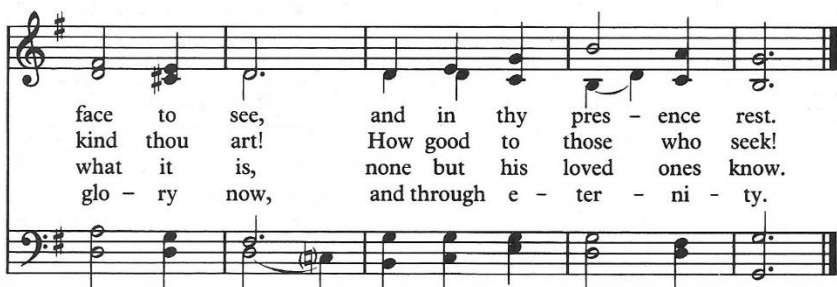
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee 175



1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of thee
 2. O hope of ev - ery con - trite heart,
 3. But what to those who find? Ah, this
 4. Je - sus, our on - ly joy be thou,



with sweet - ness fills the breast; but sweet - er far thy
 O joy of all the meek, to those who fall, how
 nor tongue nor pen can show; the love of Je - sus,
 as thou our prize wilt be; Je - sus, be thou our



face to see, and in thy pres - ence rest.
 kind thou art! How good to those who seek!
 what it is, none but his loved ones know.
 glo - ry now, and through e - ter - ni - ty.

WORDS: Attr. to Bernard of Clairvaux, 12th cent.; trans. by Edward Caswall, 1849
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1866

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