

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Star...

Star light:

When invited to ride in comfort and style through life,
When tempted to take the path of least discipleship, shine on another road we are called to take - worn smooth by humility, bordered by flowers of grace, winding through the brokenness of your heart, taking us to the kingdom.

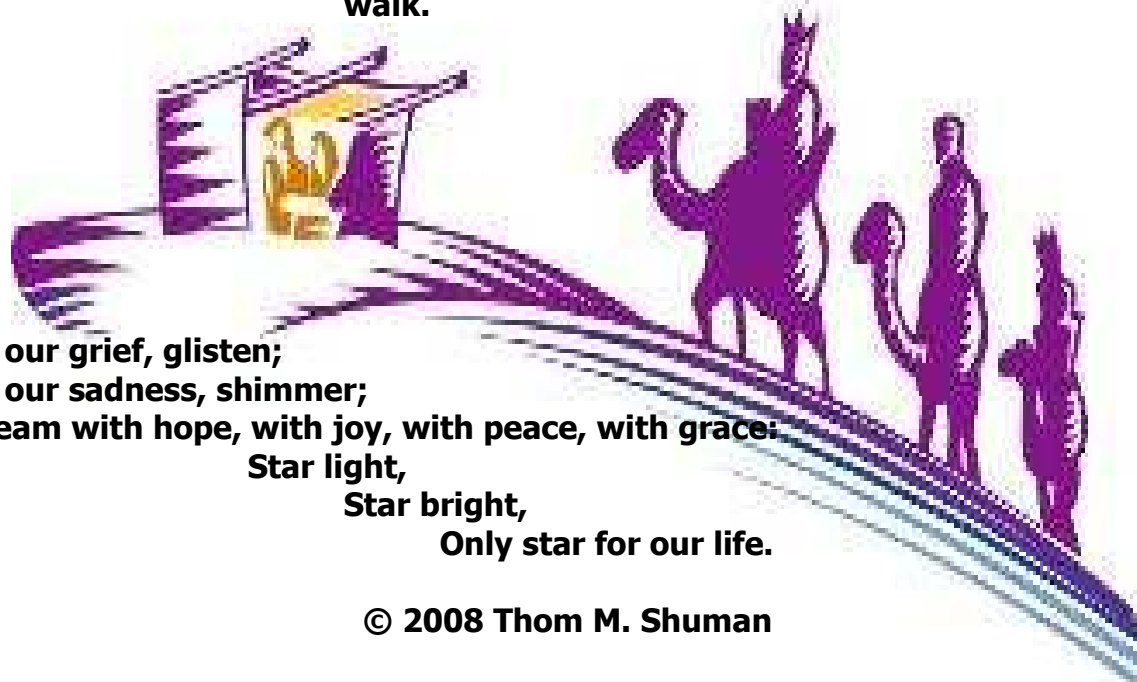
Star bright:

Illumine the shadowed corners of our world,
Where poverty rules with an iron fist;
Where injustice peaces the corridors of power;
Where need is easily handed to the lost, the least, the last - for it is in these places we are called to walk.

In our grief, glisten;
In our sadness, shimmer;
Gleam with hope, with joy, with peace, with grace:

Star light,
Star bright,
Only star for our life.

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are delighted to have you in our service this morning! Every Sunday, we are privileged to have people attending our church for the first time and we want you to feel welcome among us. Please stop by the Welcome Center right after service. We have a special gift for you.

PLEASE SIGN THE FELLOWSHIP BOOK found in the pews. We would like to know of your presence this morning. **PLEASE SHARE PRAYER JOYS/CONCERNS** on the Prayer card; they will be included in the Prayers of the People during the service, and added to the Prayer Chain.

A PERSONAL SOUND SYSTEM FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED IS AVAILABLE. WORSHIP BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN are available. Contact an usher for assistance.

TAPES OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON are available. Contact the church office or Art Sattler.

If you are in need of **Pastoral Care** or know someone who is, please call Rev. Pat at the church (419-475-4436) or at her home (419-534-3739).

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10:00 AM



Welcome to worship with the Fairgreen family! The * symbol means, "All who are able, please stand." † indicates when latecomers may be seated.

Epiphany Sunday

PRELUDE Shannon Smith

SILENT REFLECTION

God of grace, ever faithful to your promises, the earth rejoices in hope of our Savior's coming and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts to receive him when he comes, for he is Lord forever and ever. Amen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign fellowship book found in pews.

This is the day that the Lord has made!

Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

OPENING SET ~ #2022 "Great is the Lord", #2215 "Cares Chorus" Praise Band

PRAYER OF PRAISE, CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SONG OF RESPONSE ~ #2086 "Open Our Eyes, Lord"

THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH Rev. Pat

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Bill Henning, Liturgist
FIRST READING **Ephesians 3: 1-12** pg.1820 (NT) in the pew bible

ANTHEM **"One of These Days"** Praise Band

SECOND READING **Matthew 2: 1-12** pg.1497 (NT) in the pew bible

HOMILY **"The Magi ~ On The Way"** Rev. Pat Lawrence Shafer

2008 Per Capita Apportionment ~ The year 2008 per capita apportionment is \$26.50 per person. You will find a per capita giving envelope in the packet of Offering envelopes that you have received.

Ordination & Installation of New Officers ~ This will take place on Sunday, January 13th during the 10:00am service.

2007 Annual Report Information ~ All written and financial reports for the Annual Report booklet are due into the church office no later than Monday, January 14th, 2008.

Visit **THE CARD TABLE** in the narthex to sign or request cards to remember members of the Fairgreen family.

Are you in need of prayer? The **FAIRGREEN PRAYER CHAIN** is here for you. Call Leone Sattler at 419-474-1723 or Darlene in the church office at 419-475-4436 or indicate that you have a request for the Prayer Chain on your Prayer card.

Number who worshiped with us on December 30, 2007: 93

TODAY'S GREETERS 10:00: Ed & Betty Wolff

TODAY'S USHERS: Dan Yeager, Capt./ John MacPherson, Linda Hoover, Kim Jensen

NEXT SUNDAY'S USHERS: Kay Amendola, Capt./ Bonnie Buehrer, Ken & Mary Ellen Campbell

NEXT SUNDAY'S GREETERS: No one scheduled

NEXT SUNDAY'S LITURGIST: Tim Eichenauer

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scrip Cards ~ Are you interested in purchasing a Bob Evans gift card? How about a Speedway gas card or a Kohl's card? These cards and many others are now in stock. Please see Julie Murray or Darlene Hughes for filling your immediate needs. Several businesses have been added to the Scrip order form: Beirut, Family Christian Store, Golf Galaxy, Handel's, Menard's, and PF Changs are all on the newest Script list. Are you going to Café Maries, Classic Café or Applebee's? Do you need a gift card for Blockbuster, Family Video, National Amusement Movie Theaters, Marco's, or Bath and Body Works? These are just some of the variety of cards available on the Scrip order form and can be delivered within a week's time. Scrip card sales help to support the Deacon's charitable donations like IHN.

Lectionary Bible Study ~ Will start back up on Thursday, January 10th with a potluck lunch at 12:00pm and the bible study at 12:45pm. See you then!

Men's Prayer Breakfast ~ Come join us on Saturday, January 12th from 8-9am in the lounge for a continental breakfast, fellowship and studying God's word, we are in the book of Acts.

OUR RESPONSE

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #66

"We Three Kings of Orient Are"

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD
OFFERING "In the Bleak Midwinter"

Bill Henning
Praise Band

*DOXOLOGY #592

Old Hundredth

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right and a joyous thing to lift our hearts and hands to you, God of Light and Love, in thanksgiving for your gift of grace. Before we knew the unsearchable riches of your child Jesus, we walked in shadows and cloud. But now as you reveal radiance to the world, we join the hymn sung in glory without end:

All: Holy God, Grace Revealed, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, Creator God, and blessed is your child Jesus. While wise ones brought him gold, incense and myrrh, he grew to reveal to us countless treasures, radiant with life and grace, revealing the Shining Mystery which is You. Jesus broke bread and broke open your love for us. He blessed the cup and you poured out mercy for the world.

All: Christ was promised; Christ is born; Christ will dwell among us.

Come, Spirit, dwell among us, your sons and daughters, gathered here together to feast at this table. Use us to reveal your gifts of love and light for the world.

God of the ages, shining among us, we are yours! Amen!

THE BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

COMMUNION MUSIC ~ #2218 "You Are Mine"

Praise Band

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ~ #2260 "Let Us Be Bread"

**Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
Broken and shared, life for the world.
Let us be wine, love freely poured.
Let us be one in the Lord.**

Next Week ~ Baptism of the Lord; we will install and ordain all of our newly elected officers.

Texts ~ Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3: 1-12; Matthew 2: 1-12

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 7-13, 2008

Monday, Jan. 7 ~	Adult Volleyball 7-9pm
Tuesday, Jan. 8 ~	Mega meetings at 7pm in lounge
Wednesday, Jan 9 ~	Staff Mtg. 11am
Thursday, Jan. 10 ~	Potluck noon; Lectionary Bible Study 12:45pm Choir 6:45pm
Friday, Jan. 11 ~	Food Pantry 10-12pm
Saturday, Jan. 12 ~	Men's Prayer Breakfast 8-9am in lounge Food Distribution 9:30-10:30am Presbytery Training Day 10:00-2:30pm
Sunday, Jan. 13 ~	Worship Service 10am, Communion, Confirmation Class 11:30-12:30pm

Sunday School 11:15am – 12:00pm

FOR ADULTS:

Bible Study.....	In Lounge
Faith Sharing Bible Study.....	In Library

FOR CHILDREN:

Nursery Room (birth – 4 yrs. old).....	Rm.105
Kindergarten – 5 th grade.....	Room behind Sanctuary
6 th – 8 th grade.....	Downstairs Junior High Room
9 th – 12 th grade.....	Downstairs Senior High Room

Join us for Coffee Hour at 11:00am in the Commons.

Information for the Newsletter should be received by the 3rd Sunday of each month.