

## Comments:

O for a thousand tongues to sing  
my dear Redeemer's praise,  
the glories of my God and King,  
the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God,  
assist me to proclaim  
and spread through all the earth abroad  
the honors of thy Name.

Jesus! the Name that charms our fears  
and bids our sorrows cease;  
'tis music in the sinner's ears,  
'tis life and health and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice,  
new life the dead receive;  
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,  
the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,  
your loosened tongues employ;  
ye blind, behold, your Savior come;  
and leap, ye lame, for joy!

Glory to God and praise and love  
be now and ever given  
by saints below and saints above  
the Church in earth and heaven.

Charles Wesley

# Joy

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Third Sunday of Advent

On this third Sunday in Advent, let us rejoice in God's great love revealed to us in Christ. We have received 'glad tidings of great joy.' Therefore let us show our joy by sharing this glorious news with one another in a spirit of love, peace and friendship. Welcome friends!

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light:

R: *They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.*

L: Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned:

R: *The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.*

L: Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:

R: *And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.*

L: Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

ALL: *Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee.* Isaiah 9:2; 40: 1-5, 9; 60:1

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Christmas choir practice tonight and Wednesday night after church
- **December 14** - 7:00 PM - Student Music Recital at Early Woodland in Cobleskill.
- **December 19** - 7:00 PM - Christmas Choral Concert. Invite your neighbors and friends!
- **Tuesday, December 21** - Meet at the church at 6:00 PM for caroling. There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments afterwards in the parsonage basement (at approximately 8:30 PM).
- **December 25** - Christmas - 7:00 PM - Candlelight Service
- **December 31** - New Year's Eve Fellowship (8 PM).
- **January 2, 2011** - Communion Sunday. Our annual singspiration will be in the evening service.
- *Anyone who is interested in helping decorate the church with poinsettias for this special season is welcome to do so either by purchasing and bringing them in, or contributing to their purchase price. Make sure to tell Merylin Ellis or Mrs. Owens if you are donating them in honor or remembrance of someone special. The names will be mentioned in next Sunday's bulletin.*
- *The Christmas card mail sorter is up for "special delivery". We suggest that the money you save on postage be donated to missions or another worthy project.*

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

- This week remember to pray for our sister church in **Lake Placid**. William Saxton is the pastor.
- Pray for **revival** in our church and community.
- Please be faithful in prayer for comfort and healing for:
  - The **Armlin** family members mourning the death Thursday of Geoffrey.
  - The family members and friends of Fred **McCulley**, former pastor in the conference, who went to be with the Lord Wednesday.
  - The family of **Frances Tripp**.
- Continue to pray for:
  - Neighbors, relatives, and friends for whom prayer has been requested, especially **Bonnie Cramer**, and the **Whittaker family**.
  - Remaining issues with the building remodeling.
  - Our young people.
  - Our armed services personnel.
  - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- Pray for these physical needs:
  - **W. Babcock, Lillian J, Tori W., Mark V., Myra, Kathy Moltzen, W. Heckman, Ernest Cook and family members who are caring for him, Sandy Griesemer and her mother, Judy Williams, Peter E., Ron & Ruth Sperbeck, Maureen G, Doreen W, Clay Jones, Susan Ford, Duane and Dorothea Maxey**
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

*Our treasurer reports that the total for the Thanksgiving Self-Denial Offering was \$1,090.86. Thank you for your sacrificial giving toward Foreign Missions.*

*Suggested Daily Scripture Reading*

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	Amos 7:1-9:15	Obadiah 1:1-21	Jonah 1:1-4-11	Micah 1:1-4:13
NT	Revelation 3:7-22	Revelation 4:1-11	Revelation 5:1-14	Revelation 6:1-17
PSA	Psalms 131:1-3	Psalms 132:1-18	Psalms 133:1-3	Psalms 134:1-3
PROV	Proverbs 12	Proverbs 13	Proverbs 14	Proverbs 15
	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	Micah 5:1-7:20 Revelation 7:1-17 Psalm 135:1-21 Proverbs 16	Nahum 1:1-3:19 Revelation 8:1-13 Psalm 136:1-26 Proverbs 17	Habakkuk 1:1-3:19 Revelation 9:1-21 Psalm 137:1-9 Proverbs 18	

**Prayer Requests  
And Praises:**

- May be shared with the church
- Share details with prayer groups only
- Confidential for Pastor only

*"I have loved thee  
with an everlasting love."  
Jeremiah 31:3*

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Cobleskill 4:00 p.m. Evening 7:00 p.m. — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.