

*West Barre
United Methodist Church*

First Sunday after Epiphany

January 8, 2012
10:45 am, Worship

*"The first step is the hardest one to master,
the last one I'm not really sure is there."*

*CHORUS: "This Is the Day" by Les Garrett

"This is the day, this is the day
that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made.
Let us rejoice, let us rejoice
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord hath made,
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
This is the day, this is the day
that the Lord hath made."

GREETING OF ONE ANOTHER

WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays & Anniversaries

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We were made and named by God. It is God to whom we belong, and in God whom we find our true identity.

PEOPLE: Let us worship this One, our Creator, offering the praise of our lips, the love of our hearts, and the devotion of our lives. Amen

*HYMN OF PRAISE: "Spirit Song" # 347

*INVOCATION (by the Pastor)

Holy God, Creator and Divine Lover of our souls, it is to give You glory that we come today to be in worship together. It is to fulfill our potential as ones made in your image that we come today to learn. Open our ears, we pray, to be attentive to your call; our minds to be receptive to your direction; and our hearts to be responsive to your love so that we may become all that You intend us to be, and that we may participate in your divine plan for each one of us. Amen

*RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 29)

Leader: Give praise to God, you people of God, praise God's glory, praise God's strength; give unto God the tribute due.

PEOPLE: We hear your voice, O God.

Leader: The voice of God echoes from the clouds, thundering over the seas; so powerful the voice! So full of majesty!

PEOPLE: We hear your voice, O God.

Leader: The voice of God moves the mountains, making the lightning flash and the desert shake; the voice of the Holy One sets the mighty oak shuddering, stripping the forest bare.

PEOPLE: We hear your voice, O God.

Leader: But God's people are safe in their praising, for God rules over the waters and reigns forever; God gives the people strength and blesses them with peace.

PEOPLE: We hear your voice, O God. Amen

*GLORIA PATRI

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CHORAL ANTHEM

CHILDREN'S TIME

(Children going to the Nursery may leave after the Children's Time)

JOYS, CONCERNS & MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

PRAYER OF JOYS & CONCERNS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5 pg. 1

New Testament Epistle: Acts 19:1-7 pg. 139

PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS & OF OURSELVES

Offertory Music:

*Doxology # 95

*Prayer of Dedication

(Children attending Children's Church may leave during the Hymn)

*HYMN: "We've A Story to Tell to the Nations" # 569

NEW TESTAMENT GOSPEL: Mark 1:4-11 pg. 34

MORNING MESSAGE:

PASTORAL PRAYER "The Baptism of Jesus & Water as Life"

FAMILY OF THE WEEK INTRODUCTION

*CLOSING HYMN: "In the Garden" # 314

CHRIST'S LIGHT GOES INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*UNISON BENEDICTION IN SONG "Go Now in Peace" # 665 (2 times)

*POSTLUDE

* Means please stand if you are able.

WELCOME! Welcome to this place of praise and prayers as we gather as a part of the family of God. If you are visiting, please introduce yourself to those around you and the Pastor, and join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship.

Please see an Usher if you would like the following:

- Activity packets for use by children during the worship service.
- Children's Bulletins
- Audio equipment for the hearing impaired
- Pew Bibles and Large Print Bulletins

WELCOME, visitors! Please sign the Attendance Register at the back of the sanctuary if this is your first visit.

Coffee hour follows the service in the adjoining chapel. The Hospitality Team invites you to join us for a time of fellowship.

GOD'S SERVANTS IN TODAY'S WORSHIP:

Organist: Naomi Caldwell

Choir Director: Hugh Dudley

Greeters & Ushers:

Lay Reader: Janet Silker

Nursery: Jenny McKenna & Samantha Markle

Children's Church:

Flowers:

Bulletin Secretaries: Sherril Hickman & Ann Preston

Pastor Larry's cell telephone number: 585-409-3546

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Online Directory Password: WBUMC

Our Church Life Together

Today, January 8: 8:45 am, Elba UMC Worship; 9:30 am, West Barre Sunday School; 10:45 am, West Barre UMC Worship

Monday, January 9: 7:00 pm, Troop 175 meeting; 7:00 pm, Mission Committee meeting

Tuesday, January 10: 8:00 pm, West Barre Choir Practice

Wednesday, January 11: Pastor Larry's Day Off; 1:00 pm, UMW; 6:30 pm, Girl Scouts

Friday, January 13: 9:00 am, Elba Clergy meeting

Saturday, January 14: 7:00 am, West Barre UMM Breakfast; Pastor Larry's Sabbath

NEXT SUNDAY, January 15: 8:45 am, Elba UMC Worship; 9:30 am West Barre Sunday School; 10:45 am West Barre UMC Worship; 1:00 pm, Elba Administrative Board meeting

Next Week:

Greeters:

Ushers:

Liturgist: Karen Markle

Flowers:

Nursery: Noah Preston

Children's Church: McKennas

Family of the Week: Hugh & Eleni Dudley

Lectionary for January 15:

1 Samuel 3:1-10; 1 Corinthians 6:12-20; John 1:43-51

The Missions Committee is selling 2012 Calendars with beautiful color photographs for \$6.00 each. The profits from these calendars will be used for a future Mission Project. Calendars are available in the Chapel during the Fellowship time. Thank you.

Financial Statement: Offering

Giving on December 25, 2011:	\$ 1705.00	
Total Giving in 2011:		\$106,019.83
Giving on January 1, 2012:	\$2364.20	
Included:		
Calendars:	\$24.00	
Elba Reimb.	178.20	
Giving to Date:		\$2364.20

Birthdays This Week: January 8, 2012

9	Joe Mathes Ed King Mary Shuler	
		Happy Birthday
11	Vicky Kuipers Joselyn Owens	
14	Lynette Preston	

Anniversaries This Week: January 8, 2012

14	David and Patricia Parsons	Happy Anniversary
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The following weeks we will be listing a food item to fill the food Pantry. This week's item is, **baby needs**, or item of one's choice. Thank You

Ruth Miller is collecting manufacturers' coupons for military families. Please put the clipped coupons in a collection box located in the church's chapel. Coupons may be up to 2 months expired. Thank you.

Family of the Week

January 8, 2012

Virginia Davis

I have lived in the Town of Barre all my life. I graduated from Albion High School. I married my best friend, Paul Davis on November 6, 1954, and settled into my life as a homemaker. Together we raised two children – Dale and Diana. Our son, Dale is a RN at Strong Memorial Hospital and our daughter, Diana, is a secretary at Brockport College. I have 5 wonderful grandchildren, all college graduates and working. Sadly, we lost Paul in October, 2006 to leukemia and this has left a huge void in my life. I continue to live in our home on Gillette Road that we bought in 1960, and I take care of mowing the big lawn in the summer time.

I thank the Lord every day for my church family here in West Barre, where I have been a member for 25 years. I actually have belonged to the United Methodist Women longer than I have been a member of the church. I held the position of Secretary for many years. I look forward to many more years of helping out where I can around my church and serving our Lord.

Selected Hymn – “In the Garden” - #314