

Spencer Singers "Arise Let Your Light Shine" by Allen Po



Scripture Matthew 2: 1-12 (p.1374)

Faith and Engagement



"From a Distant Land " **No. 64**
(Blue Hymnal)



Communion



Prayers of the Pastor and the People with Praise and Thanksgiving

share briefly names & situations to lift to God in prayer – we know God is more than able to hold all we offer & God knows the details! Lord in Your mercy... **Hear our prayer**

Spencer Singers "A Thousand Candles" arr. Tom Fettke

Blessing



"Halle, Halle, Halle-lujah (X3)
Hallelujah, Hal-le-lu-jah!"

PERSONAL MILESTONES

January 9 – Walt Baer

Prayer Concerns

Prayer person: **Jean Schanbacher**

Prayer young person: **Jacob Bailey**

Prayer theme for young adults: **faith**

All medical professionals, emergency responders & those serving in hospitals, nursing homes & care facilities

Military folks & family - the USA & all those in leadership

S-VE School Board members, administrators, teachers & others

North Spencer Christian Academy

Church Finances

Renovation House

Christ the King Fellowship Presbyterian

A note about offering - all we have is a gift from God. We are invited weekly (and honestly at all times) to respond to God & joyfully give some of what we've been trusted with. For financial giving please place in an offering plate when arriving/leaving or mail to:

939 S. Danby Rd, Spencer NY 14883 -OR- PO Box 367, Spencer, NY.

Calendar

Wednesday -- 11AM Adult Study

Wednesday -- 2PM SVEC Pastor's Mtg

Friday -- 11AM Women's Bible Study

Friday -- 12:30PM Spencer Singers Rehearsal

Sunday -- 10AM Adult Study & 11AM Worship

Christ the King Fellowship
Presbyterian #love

January 7, 2024 – 11:00 AM

Communion Liturgy:

Eat this Bread *Communaute de Taize, adapted by Robert J. Batastini (1984)

Eat this bread, drink this cup, Come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, Trust in me and you will not thirst.

The LORD be with you. **And also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the LORD.** Let us give thanks to the LORD our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

(prayer of thanksgiving & praise -- ending with the **LORD's prayer**)

...he took bread & after giving thanks to God he broke it & gave it to his disciples saying, **"Take, eat. This is my body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

And in the same way Jesus took the cup, saying:

"This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

All who trust in Jesus Christ as Lord are welcome. As you receive the sacrament of communion consider the grace of what Jesus has done for us all and how much God loves you. After all receive, we pray:

God, thank You for accepting us as living members of Your Son & our Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you for feeding us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his body and blood. Send us into the world in peace, granting us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord.

3-fold Amen. (Amen, Amen, Amen!)



Welcome

Prelude "We Three Kings" arr. Fred Bock

Call to Worship (Jer. 33:14):

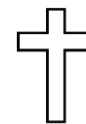
The day of the LORD is surely coming: **the promise of will be fulfilled.**



(The Doxology) **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** (Blue Hymnal No. 592)



"We Three Kings of Orient Are " No. 66
(Blue Hymnbook)



Confession (from BCW) God of the future, You are coming in power to bring all nations under Your rule. We confess we have not expected Your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring Your promised judgement. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, & refuse Your justice and peace. Forgive us. Turn us to Your will by the power of Your Spirit, so all may know Your justice & peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Savior.

[silent prayer & reflection; let the Holy Spirit identify any sin that needs confessing - offer it to God &

let it go]

Assurance of Pardon & Gloria Patri



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen
(Blue No. 579)

“We Three Kings of Orient Are” John Henry Hopkins, Jr.

We three kings of orient are
Bearing gifts we traverse afar
Field and fountain
Moor and mountain
Following yonder star

O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain
Gold I bring to crown Him again
King for ever, ceasing never
Over us all to reign

O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

Frankincense to offer have I
Incense owns a Deity nigh
Prayer and praising
All men raising
Worship Him, God most high

O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

Myrrh is mine
It's bitter perfume breathes
A life of gathering gloom
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying
Sealed in the stone cold tomb
Glorious now behold Him arise
King and God and Sacrifice
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia
Heaven to earth replies

O star of wonder, star of night
Star with royal beauty bright
Westward leading, still proceeding
Guide us to thy perfect light

“From a Distant Home” Puerto Rican carol

1 From a distant home the Savior we come seeking,
using as our guide the star so brightly beaming.

Refrain:

Lovely eastern star that tells us of God's morning,
heaven's wondrous light, O never cease thy shining!
Glory in the highest to the Son of Heaven,
and upon the earth be peace and love to all.

2 Glowing gold I bring the new-born babe so holy,
token of his power to reign above in glory. [Refrain]

3 Frankincense I bring the child of God's own choosing,
token of our prayers to heaven ever rising. [Refrain]

4 Bitter myrrh have I to give the infant Jesus,
token of the pain that he will bear to save us. [Refrain]
