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Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the name of the LORD your God, that hath dealt wondrously with you: and my people shall never be ashamed. And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered.

Joel 2:22-26, 28, 32

A robust welcome to one and all! With genuine joy let us open our minds and hearts to God, share ourselves with one another and dedicate ourselves to being servants in the kingdom of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Christmas choir practice tonight after church
- There will be no mid-week service here this week. We encourage everyone to attend the missions service at Amsterdam.
- **October 28, Thursday** at 7:30 p.m. - Area-wide missions service at the Amsterdam PHC.
- **October 31** - Reformation Day

Are you looking for God to be here this morning? What are you expecting God to do today?

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 8:45 a.m. Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Cobleskill 4:00 p.m. Evening 7:00 p.m. — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- This week we are praying for our sister church at **Grand Gorge**. The pastor is Ben Orvis.
- Pray for **revival** in our church and community.
- Pray that **Stephen and Kezia Mills**, our new missionaries in Brazil, would be able to get their cargo out of customs. Every day it is in customs, it costs them more money and also increases the chance of vandalism.
- Pray for:
 - Neighbors, relatives, and friends for whom prayer has been requested, especially **Bonnie Cramer**, that she may find employment.
 - Our young people.
 - The final steps to the renovation of our church building.
 - Our armed services personnel.
 - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- Pray for these physical needs:
 - **Tori Wilson, Mark Vosburgh, Myra, Warren Babcock, Willis Heckman, Ernest Cook, John Whittaker, Nathan Clapper, Judy Williams, Peter E., Ron & Ruth Sperbeck, Maureen G, Doreen W, Clay Jones, Susan Ford, Duane Maxey**
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	Jeremiah 44:24-47:7	Jeremiah 48:1-49:22	Jeremiah 49:23-50:46	Jeremiah 51:1-53
NT	2 Timothy 2:22-3:17	2 Timothy 4:1-22	Titus 1:1-16	Titus 2:1-15
PSA	Psalms 94:1-23	Psalms 95:1-96:13	Psalms 97:1-98:9	Psalms 99:1-9
PROV	Proverbs 24	Proverbs 25	Proverbs 26	Proverbs 27
	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	Jeremiah 51:54-52:34	Lamentations 1:1-2:22	Lamentations 3:1-66	
	Titus 3:1-15	Philemon 1:1-25	Hebrews 1:1-14	
	Psalms 100:1-5	Psalms 101:1-8	Psalms 102:1-28	
	Proverbs 28	Proverbs 29	Proverbs 30	

It's Shoebox Time again!

Due to our church situation we will not be collecting items in a central location for the Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes, but we will soon have a box for those who wish to donate for mailing expenses. We encourage each one who wants to participate to collect items and we will meet together to pack and decorate boxes. We will be dedicating the boxes on November 14.

As we move around this world and as we act with kindness, perhaps, or with indifference or with hostility toward the people we meet, we are setting the great web atremble. The life that I touch for good or ill will touch another life, and that, in turn, another, until who knows where the trembling stops or in what far place my touch will be felt.

-Frederick Buechner

The Christian community plays an important role in the life of discipleship because this community is nothing less than the body of Christ in the world today. It is among brothers and sisters in faith that we:

- experience the presence of Jesus Christ, living and incarnate;
- come together for worship, hear the gospel and receive Communion;
- accept church discipline through the gentle guidance of others;
- learn, through the successes and failures around us, what it means to live a life of discipleship.

“There is no substitute for living around other Christians,” write Stanley Hauerwas and William Willimon of Duke Divinity School. A “primary way of learning to be disciples is by being in contact with others who are disciples.” (*Resident Aliens: Life in the Christian Colony*). We grow in discipleship as we strive with others to hear God's Word, feed the hungry, welcome strangers and love one another.

-Homiletics