

Notes:

Sermon Text

Subject

Service Music

Pre-service - RHONDDA - J. Hughes

Prelude - I LOVE YOU LORD - L. Klein

Special Music - Be Still, My Soul - K. von Schlegel

God has asked us to reflect His light and dispel the darkness.

It is a scientific fact that darkness and light cannot exist in the same place. In fact, darkness is just the absence of light, so, if there is light, there is no darkness. Shadow can exist as something blocks the light but shadows are still impacted by it. Remember the last big solar eclipse? Even if you were in the complete blackout zone, it was not dark. For it to be truly dark, no light can exist....

When Jesus talks about the church he says that the gates of hell will not be able to keep it out. This makes total sense because Jesus left us here in his place. He is with us. He is light. We are light. Hell is darkness, the absence of light, but when the light approaches it, darkness flees. Hell cannot stand against the Light of life that shines out of us.

Consider these three ways to bring Light to wherever you are.

1) Smile – There is nothing like a smile to lighten any space. A genuine smile is an outward sign of inward joy, that joy that goes beyond understanding. When you smile, others around you will smile as well. It's contagious!

2) Praise – Encouraging someone by telling them they are doing a great job brings light into their life. It doesn't matter if this person is a friend or someone you haven't previously met. It doesn't matter what their day has been like up to that moment. Your praise and encouragement will make a difference.

3) Love – Sacrificing yourself [time, energy, resources] for someone else, the love that Jesus demonstrated for us brings the most powerful light into the world around you. Loving someone that way is completely counter to the way the world operates on a day to day basis. Sacrificial love is like a flash of lightning in the middle of the darkness of the storm. As you pour yourself out for someone else, you are being Jesus to them and there is no better way to represent him than that!


Be the light in your world by living Jesus every day. Smile widely. Praise lavishly. Love deeply.

—From Prepare For Impact Blog June 8, 2018

<https://prepareforimpact.life/2018/06/08/dispel-the-darkness/>

Spiritual “To Do List”
(things God has shown me today)

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EVEN IN DARKNESS LIGHT DAWNS
FOR THE UPRIGHT,
FOR THOSE WHO ARE GRACIOUS,
COMPASSIONATE AND RIGHTEOUS.
PSALM 112:4

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Other announcements
& prayer requests

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As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present.
Together may we experience the presence of God.

Announcements

- The second offering plate this morning is for the Building Maintenance Fund.
- **February 10** - Conference-wide Day of Prayer and Fasting. The church will be open at noon for special prayer.
- **February 12** - Ministerial Benefit Offering
- **February 17** - Night of Prayer 9 - 11 p.m.
- **February 17-19** - Mid-Winter Youth Convention
- **February 22** - First day of Lent

Call To Worship

Jesus said: You are the light of the world.
Let our lives be radiant in a dark world.
 A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.
So may we shine in the light of God.
 A lamp should be placed where it may be seen.
We will shine out to all we meet, giving glory to God.
 —Based on Matthew 5:14-16

LORD, we beseech thee to keep thy Church and household continually in thy true religion, that they who do lean only upon hope of thy heavenly grace may evermore be defended by thy mighty power; through Christ our Lord. Amen.
 —BCP

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Cobleskill 4:00 p.m. — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 p.m.
Sunday morning services are livestreamed at www.facebook.com/nyphc

Prayer Requests

- This week we are praying especially for our sister church in **Russell, NY**. Charles Colton is the pastor. At present the church is meeting in homes as the building is not usable in this weather.
- **Pray for comfort** and healing for Paul Kaufman and the family members who are mourning the death last Sunday of Pearl Kaufman.
- **Pray** for our nation during this uncertain time. **Pray** for the pulling down of the strongholds of evil in our land. (II Corinthians 10:4)
- **Pray** for Christians in danger all over the world.
- **Continue** to pray for:
 - Special requests for those on our hearts, especially Byron S., Ethan, Rowan S., Joshua M., and others not mentioned by name.
 - The village of **Middleburgh**, that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
 - **Missionaries:** Nichole Barr, the Davises, the Easleys, B. Fay, the Himelicks, the Millses, R. Moulton, the Samborskis, Jack Sherman, Judy Sherman, and the T. Shermans.
 - Bible Colleges - GBSC, PVBI, AWC, UBC, HSBC
 - Safety and protection for our Armed Forces.
 - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- **Pray** for these physical need requests:
 - Dave Case, Herb V., Joseph Winkler, Stephen Mills, Stephen and Nicole Cassidy, Larry C., Paula Myers, the Rooneys.
- **Other requests:**
 - Rosemary Snyder, Paul Church, Ron Sperbeck
- **Early Woodland** requests:
 - Fiore, Maureen, Dick and Doris, Joanne, Kathy, James, Bob.

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading				
	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
OT	Exodus 21:22-23:13	Exodus 23:14-25:40	Exodus 26:1-27:21	Exodus 28:1-43
NT	Matthew 24:1-28	Matthew 24:29-51	Matthew 25:1-30	Matthew 25:31-26:13
PSA	Psalms 29:1-11	Psalms 30:1-12	Psalms 31:1-8	Psalms 31:9-18
PROV	Proverbs 7:6-23	Proverbs 7:24-27	Proverbs 8:1-11	Proverbs 8:12-13
	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	Exodus 29:1-30:10	Exodus 30:11-31:18	Exodus 32:1-33:23	Exodus 34:1-35:9
	Matthew 26:14-46	Matthew 26:47-68	Matthew 26:69-27:14	Matthew 27:15-31
	Psalms 31:19-24	Psalms 32:1-11	Psalms 33:1-11	Psalms 33:12-22
	Proverbs 8:14-26	Proverbs 8:27-32	Proverbs 8:33-36	Proverbs 9:1-6

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

Joachim Neander, 1650-1680

"Strabund Gesangbuch"

Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1829-1878

From "Praxis Pietatis Melica," 1668

1. Praise ye the Lord, the Al-might-y, the King of cre-a-tion!
2. Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign-eth,
3. Praise ye the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de-fend thee;
4. Praise ye the Lord, Oh, let all that is in me a-dore Him!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy Health and Sal-va-tion!
Shel-ters thee un-der His wings, yea, so gent-ly sus-tain-eth!
Sure-ly His good-ness and mer-cy here dai-ly at-tend thee.
All that hath life and breath, come now with prais-es be-fore Him!

All ye who hear, Now to His tem-ple draw near;
Hast thou not seen How thy de-sires e'er have been
Pon-der a-new What the Al-might-y can do
Let the A-men Sound from His peo-ple a-gain.

Join me in glad ad-o-ra-tion!
Grant-ed in what He or-dain-eth?
If with His love He be-friend thee.
Glad-ly for aye we a-dore Him.

Jesus Calls Us

GALILEE

Cecil F. Alexander, 1818-1895

William H. Jude, 1851-1922

1. Je-sus calls us; o'er the tu-mult Of our life's wild, rest-less sea,
2. Je-sus calls us from the wor-ship Of the vain world's gold-en store,
3. In our joys and in our sor-rows, Days of toil and hours of ease,
4. Je-sus calls us. By Thy mer-cies, Sav-iour, may we hear Thy call.

Day by day His sweet voice sound-eth, Say-ing, "Chris-tian, fol-low Me."
From each i-dol that would keep us, Say-ing, "Chris-tian, love Me more."
Still He calls, in cares and pleas-ures, "Chris-tian, love Me more than these."
Give our hearts to Thy o-be-dience, Serve and love Thee best of all.