

Pilgrim Holiness Church, Rt. 145, Middleburgh, New York

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*I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love, May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might **be filled with all the fulness of God.***

*Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,*

*Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end.*

*Amen.*

*-Ephesians 3:14-21*

We welcome with joy all who have come to worship. Let us take this opportunity to open our hearts, minds and spirits to the living God. God blesses those who humbly present themselves for duty and who eagerly strive to do God's will!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- July 27 - 30 - Conference Youth Camp
- August 12 - Conference-Wide Day of Prayer & Fasting
- August 7-16 — Binghamton Camp
- Be sure to check out our church web site for updates, bulletins, and pictures of recent church events.

LORD of all power and might,  
Who art the author and giver of all good things;  
Graft in our hearts the love of thy Name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of thy great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 8:45 AM Morning Worship 9:00 AM, Cobleskill 4:00 PM,  
Evening 7:00 PM — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 PM*

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- This week we are praying for the church at **Bloomingtondale**. Daniel Shumway is the pastor.
- Pray for **revival** in our church and community.
- Recent requests from the Cobleskill church include Sharon, and Laverne.
- Pray for
  - The family of David Rison (nephew-in-law of Lois Schenck), who died last Sunday night.
  - The family of Helen Benjamin, who died Saturday morning.
  - The Mincers and Bowmans
  - The Millville church
  - Relatives and friends with spiritual needs for whom special prayer has been requested
  - Our young people
  - Decisions to be made about the renovation of our church building.
  - Conference President Case and the Council
  - Our President, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- Requests for physical needs:
  - Glenn Hockmeyer, Richard Berg, Lillian Jamison, Duane Maxey, Johnny Cuscuna, Pastor Roger Ellers, Pat Gleason, Noreen, Ernest & Doris Cook.

### *Suggested Daily Scripture Reading*

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	II Chronicles 17:1-18:34	II Chronicles 19:1-20:37	II Chronicles 21:1-23:21	II Chronicles 24:1-25:28
NT	Romans 9:25-10:13	Romans 10:14-11:12	Romans 11:13-36	Romans 12:1-21
PSA	Psalm 20:1-9	Psalm 21:1-13	Psalm 22:1-18	Psalm 22:19-31
PROV	Proverbs 26	Proverbs 27	Proverbs 28	Proverbs 29
	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	II Chronicles 26:1-28:27	II Chronicles 29:1-36	II Chronicles 30:1-31:21	
	Romans 13:1-14	Romans 14:1-23	Romans 15:1-22	
	Psalm 23:1-6	Psalm 24:1-10	Psalm 25:1-15	
	Proverbs 30	Proverbs 31	Proverbs 1	

## *Seven steps to a friendly church*

1. Speak to the other person first. Don't wait for him or her to take the initiative.
2. If there is someone you don't know, introduce yourself to him or her.
3. Be pleasant in your words and expressions. A great church cannot be built with frowns.
4. Invite newcomers to a worship service or to a church event and introduce them to other members.
5. Invite people to your home for a time of fellowship.
6. Encourage people to participate in church activities.
7. Without being “nosy”, interest yourself in people’s concerns and needs.
8. Pray for those who attend, both newcomers and “regulars”.



*My church is composed of people like me. We make it what it is.*

*It will be friendly, if I am.*

*Its pews will be filled, if I help fill them.*

*It will do great work, if I work.*

*It will make generous gifts to many causes, if I am a generous giver.*

*It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I bring them.*

*It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit, if I, who makes it what it is, am filled with these traits.*

*Therefore with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all the things I want my church to be.*



Christian adventurer Tim Hansel said, 'The great tragedy of today's convenient world is that you can live a trivial life and get away with it.' Let's be honest:

'Trivial Christian life' ought to be an oxymoron!

There's a Christian cliché that says, 'Your life may be the only Bible your friend ever reads.' Like a lot of clichés, there's truth at its core. What does your unchurched friend see when he looks at the way you live out your faith? Does he see someone who dutifully goes to church every Sunday, but who never extends the compassion of Christ into the lives of others? Or does he see someone whose faith is 'a risky, surprise-filled venture, lived tiptoe at the edge of expectation?'

-Lee Strobel