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Sermon Text

Subject

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

O GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only begotten Son to the Gentiles, mercifully grant that we, who know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Christ our Lord. Amen. —BCP

O day full of grace, which we behold
Now gently to view ascending,
Thou over the earth thy reign unfold,
Good cheer to all mortals lending,
That children of light in every clime
May prove that the night is ending.

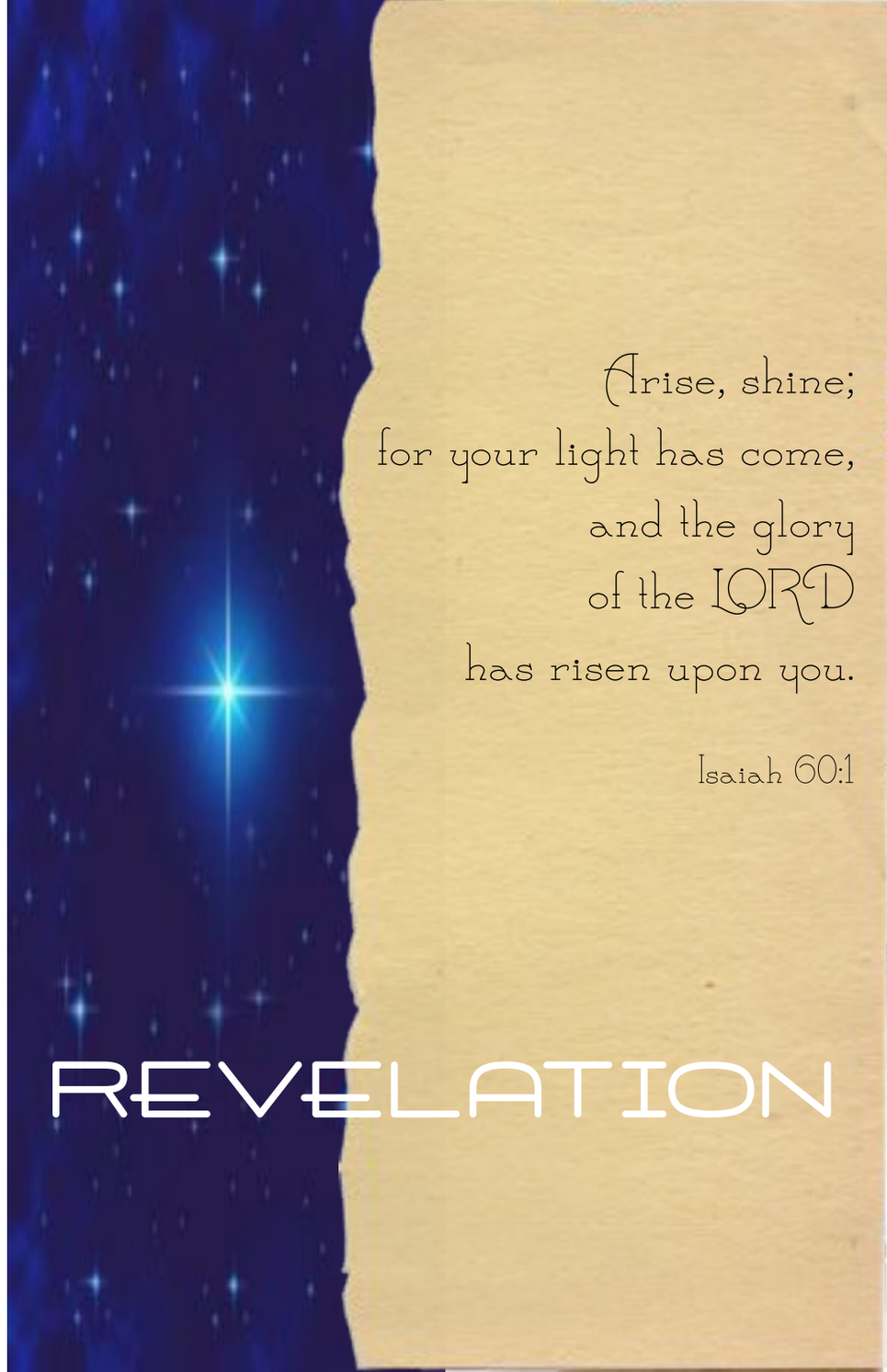
How blest was that gracious midnight hour,
When God in our flesh was given;
Then flushed the dawn with light and power,
That spread o’er the darkened heaven;
Then rose o’er the world that sun divine
Which gloom from our hearts hath driven.

Yea, were every tree endowed with speech,
And every leaflet singing,
They never with praise God’s worth could reach,
Though earth with their praise be ringing.
Who fully could praise the light of life,
Who light to our souls is bringing?
Who fully could praise the Lord!

— Scandinavian folk hymn Nicolai F. S. Grundtvig trans. O.H. Smeby, G.T. Rygh, C. Doving, alt.

Three ways to use the suggested daily scripture readings:

1. Through the Bible in one year - read all portions each day.
2. Read through the Old Testament and Proverbs portions one year, the New Testament and Psalms portions the second year
3. Read through the Old Testament portions one year, the New Testament portions the second year, and the Psalms (twice) and Proverbs the third year.
   (Taken from the One-Year Bible, Tyndale House Publishers)



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NEW YEAR

On this New Year's Day, let us unite our hearts and spirits in the joyous worship of God and in loving outreach to one another. A warm welcome to all!

Call To Worship

A new day has dawned, a new year has begun.

Arise, shine, your light has come!

Lord, open our eyes to your hope, peace, joy, and love:

Let us see the light!

Announcements

- **This** morning we will be celebrating communion
- **January 13-15** - Mid-Winter Youth Convention
- **January 20** - All Night of Prayer. Our assignment is 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

To Our Church Family -

Thank you for all your many kindnesses to us throughout this past year; also the gifts given this month are deeply appreciated. Your generosity is more than we deserve, and we are grateful to God for you all.
- Pastor & Mrs. Owens and family

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. Cobleskill 4:00 p.m. Evening 7:00 p.m. — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 p.m. — FRIDAY: Women's Fellowship 10:30 a.m.

Prayer Requests

- **Continue** to pray for:
  - **S**pecial requests for those on our hearts, especially Ryan S.; Maree; Christopher; Bob: Shannon; Ellen; and Geoffrey & Shirley O. and son.
  - **Christians** in danger all over the world.
  - The village of **Middleburgh,** that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
  - **Missionaries**: the Blackcalfs, the Billses, B. Fay, the Davises, the Flings, the Mayles, the Millses, R. Moulton, the D. Shermans, J. Sherman; and the Himelicks and T. Shermans (VICM).
  - Our **young people** – schoolwork, jobs, and life decisions
  - **B**ible Colleges - GBS, PVBI, AWC, UBC, HSBC
  - **S**afety and protection for our Armed Forces.
  - **O**ur President, President-elect, Congress, and Supreme Court, that they may make righteous choices.
- **Pray** for these physical need requests:
  - Elaine Bates, Betty Scott, Sally Sebo, Patricia Case, Clayton Jones. Jr., Theo, Jen K., Thelma Heckman, Marie R., Kathy M., Larry Thomas, Tom S., Denise Johnsen (and family), Greg Davis, Stephen Mills (Cincinnati), Mark Vosburgh, Paulette Fay, Robert Owens, Mike F., Duane and Dorothea Maxey.
- **From** Early Woodland:
  - Natasha, Barb, Mary Lou
- *Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.*

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading (see back page)

	Sunday	*Monday*	*Tuesday*	*Wednesday*
OT	Genesis 1:1-2:25	Genesis 3:1-4:26	Genesis 5:1-7:24	Genesis 8:1-10:32
NT	Matthew 1:1-2:12	Matthew 2:13-3:6	Matthew 3:7-4:11	Matthew 4:12-25
PSA	Psalm 1:1-6	Psalm 2:1-12	Psalm 3:1-8	Psalm 4:1-8
PROV	Proverbs 1:1-6	Proverbs 1:7-9	Proverbs 1:10-19	Proverbs 1:20-23

Thursday	*Friday*	*Saturday*	*Sunday*
Genesis 11:1-13:4	Genesis 13:5-15:21	Genesis 16:1-18:15	Genesis 18:16-19:38
Matthew 5:1-26	Matthew 5:27-48	Matthew 6:1-24	Matthew 6:25-7:14
Psalm 5:1-12	Psalm 6:1-10	Psalm 7:1-17	Psalm 8:1-9
Proverbs 1:24-28	Proverbs 1:29-33	Proverbs 2:1-5	Proverbs 2:6-15

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Other announcements
& prayer requests