

WELCOME!



Worship
9:00 am & 10:30 am

Morning Worship

July 11, 2021

Reflections

For the Hebrew worshiper, the lampstand pointed to the past when the light of God broke into the world, and in the tabernacle it had a present application of pointing to the perfect light that God shone on the covenant community. For the believer today, the lampstand is an unnecessary object for worship because Jesus proclaimed, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12). Indeed, Jesus is "the true light, which gives light to everyone" (1:9). And in the new Jerusalem, there will be no need of a menorah because "the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb" (Rev. 21:23).

~Dr. John D. Currid in Tabletalk

Approach to God

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship — Psalm 27:1-4 (responsive)

The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

**²When evildoers assail me
to eat up my flesh,
my adversaries and foes,
it is they who stumble and fall.**

**³Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war arise against me,
yet I will be confident.**

**⁴One thing have I asked of the LORD,
that will I seek after:
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
all the days of my life,
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD
and to inquire in his temple.**

Hymn of Praise — Immortal, Invisible

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
thy jus - tice like moun - tains, high soar - ing a - bove
all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

Prayer of Adoration

Song of Praise — Ancient of Days

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King, reigning over all
So I will not fear for this truth remains:
That my God is the Ancient of Days

Chorus

*None above Him, none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power, all the glory
I will trust in His name*

For my God is the Ancient of Days
Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul
He is here with me, I am not alone
O His love is sure and He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days (chorus)

Though I may not see what the future brings
I will watch and wait for the Savior King
Then my joy complete standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days (chorus)

Confession of Sin — Ephesians 5:7-16 (responsive)

⁷Therefore do not become partners with them; ⁸for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. **Walk as children of light** ⁹(**for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true**), ¹⁰**and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.** ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. ¹³But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, ¹⁴for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says,

***“Awake, O sleeper,
and arise from the dead,
and Christ will shine on you.”***

¹⁵Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,

¹⁶**making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.**

Assurance of Pardon — 2 Corinthians 4:3-6

³And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. ⁴In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. ⁵For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. ⁶For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Song of Response — His Mercy is More

What love could remember
no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more

CHORUS

*Praise the Lord, His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more (chorus)

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more (chorus)

Offering* **1 Chronicles 29:12-13** ¹²Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. ¹³And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

**You can give on-line at the New Hope website: www.newhopeopc.org and click on the green "give" button in the corner.*

Congregational Prayer

Sermon Text — Exodus 25:31-40, Leviticus 24:1-4

³¹“You shall make a lampstand of pure gold. The lampstand shall be made of hammered work: its base, its stem, its cups, its calyces, and its flowers shall be of one piece with it. ³²And there shall be six branches going out of its sides, three branches of the lampstand out of one side of it and three branches of the lampstand out of the other side of it; ³³three cups made like almond blossoms, each with calyx and flower, on one branch, and three cups made like almond blossoms, each with calyx and flower, on the other branch—so for the six branches going out of the lampstand. ³⁴And on the lampstand itself there shall be four cups made like almond blossoms, with their calyxes and flowers, ³⁵and a calyx of one piece with it under each pair of the six branches going out from the lampstand. ³⁶Their calyxes and their branches shall be of one piece with it, the whole of it a single piece of hammered work of pure gold. ³⁷You shall make seven lamps for it. And the lamps shall be set up so as to give light on the space in front of it. ³⁸Its tongs and their trays shall be of pure gold. ³⁹It shall be made, with all these utensils, out of a talent of pure gold. ⁴⁰And see that you make them after the pattern for them, which is being shown you on the mountain.

¹The LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²“Command the people of Israel to bring you pure oil from beaten olives for the lamp, that a light may be kept burning regularly. ³Outside the veil of the testimony, in the tent of meeting, Aaron shall arrange it from evening to morning before the LORD regularly. It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations. ⁴He shall arrange the lamps on the lampstand of pure gold before the LORD regularly.

Sermon — The Giver of Life and Light

~ Pastor Francis VanDelden

Benediction

Postlude

The Giver of Life and Light

Exodus 25:31-40

1. The Giver of Light

2. The Giver of Life

COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

Our Church Family

- Pray for Pastor Francis that he will help to equip the saints well to do ministry at New Hope. Pray, too, that the diaconal training he is leading will go well.
- Give thanks that Jesus came to this earth to be a light and to bring salvation to His people.
- Pray for our session as they shepherd the flock of God. Pray that they will be faithful servants, diligent disciples of Jesus, and lovers and protectors of the flock.
- Pray that the Lord will grow and strengthen the Outreach Committee so that local and foreign missions can be supported well.
- Pray for New Hope as we begin to return to normalcy in ministry. Pray for the Lord's continued provision for us.
- Pray that the Lord would continue to grow the body at New Hope and foster new and deeper friendships and bonds within the body.
- Pray for John Bishoff's brother, Leslie, who has been given 3-6 months to live. Pray that the Lord would work in his heart and come to a saving knowledge of Him.
- Pray for Ellen Socash & Garrett Kennedy as they prepare for their wedding in September. Pray that they will draw closer to Christ and each other as they work through the details and plans for the wedding.
- Continue to pray for those who are struggling: Dana Bishoff, Patti Deschamps, John Hardison, Jen Bridenbaugh, Charles Ruch, Jen William's brother, Mike, Christopher Burden, the Vidal family, John & Muriel Hadidian's daughter-in-law, the Wright family, Bill Wright, Ron Oakes, Ed Rodatus and those who are grieving from the loss of loved ones. Pray for strength to bear their difficult trials.

Frederick Area

- Pray for the missions that we support financially: CareNet Pregnancy Center, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and the Frederick Rescue Mission. Pray that God will continue to provide for all their needs.
- Pray that the Lord gives opportunity to share the hope of the gospel with neighbors, friends, co-workers and family that do not know Him.

Missionaries & Others

- Pray for our mission of the month — Short Term Missions within the OPC. Pray particularly for those that serve with the Boardwalk Chapel both on staff and as weekly volunteers. Pray that the Lord would use this ministry to bring the hope of the gospel to those who need Him.
- Pray for Claire Hall as she serve in Merkinch, Scotland. Pray for God's wisdom and help as she continues to work and pray through how best to reach out to families and individuals in her scheme.
- Pray for Kristen in Europe as their church meets together and looks for ways to minister to the people in their neighborhood. Pray for God's grace and strength.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates to Know:

- **Wednesday Bible study for youth & adults**, 6:00 pm for pizza followed by Bible study/prayer at 6:30 pm.
- **Bible Club**, July 12-14, 6:30-8:00 pm at the church
- Ladies' Night Out, Thursday, July 15th, 6:00 pm at Mexicali Cantina
- **July 17**, Church Life Picnic, see announcement below
- **Keys Game**, Friday, July 30th, 7:00 pm

Ladies' Night Out is Thursday, July 15! Ladies, join us for dinner at 6:00pm at Mexicali Cantina (W Patrick St, Frederick) and/or dessert around 7:45pm at Karyn Lynerd's home (519 Valley St, Frederick). RSVP for dinner to Elease at elease.layman@gmail.com or 301.767.6848 by Wednesday, July 14.

Outdoor Service Information, the 9:00 am outdoor service will continue through the end of July but beginning in August we will return to one indoor service at 10:30 am.

Bible Club, Come on a Faith Expedition with us at Bible Club this week! We will be meeting in the New Hope parking lot July 12-14 6:30-8 pm to sing, learn about the Bible and play games together. On Wednesday, come at 6:00 for pizza and parents can join the adult Bible Study while their kids are at Bible Club. We'd love to have you join in! Contact Amy Wright with questions amy.r.dewit@gmail.com.

Ladies Bible Study group, will be meeting on the second and fourth Wednesdays during the summer months. Come join us at 10:00 a.m. for devotions, prayer and fellowship in the lower building, Sunday School classroom # 3.

New Hope at the Keys Game, Game is Fri July 30 7pm against the Trenton Thunder, fireworks will follow the game. Reserved Seating Group prices are, Adults \$10, Youth 3-12 \$7, 3 and under are free on an adult's lap but include their number in your ticket order. Deadline to purchase tickets thru New Hope is Sun 7/19, if we do not have 25 sold by then the event will be canceled.

Purchase tickets top ways:

1. Online via using the New Hope Paypal (go to website & click "donate" button) putting "Keys Tickets" in the memo line AND THEN send an email to monlaird@gmail.com giving the name, type and number of tickets
2. Putting cash or check (made to New Hope) in an envelope with name, number and type of tickets the offering plate or handed to Monica Laird

Tickets will be picked up at the stadium the night of the game. Contact Monica Laird with questions, 410 963-6522 or Monlaird@gmail.com

"It is beginning to look a lot like Christmas" in July, Come celebrate at New Hope's second summer picnic! Saturday July 17 at 4pm in the parking lot. Bring your own picnic food, the church will supply drinks and a festive dessert. There will be holiday games and activities for the whole family. Con-

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tact Monica Laird 410 963-6522 or monlaird@gmail.com with questions.

Serving Today (7/11):

9:00 am: Ushers/Greeter: Calvin Wright, Joe & Katie Howard

10:30 am

- Nursery: Betsy Lalley, Laura & Emma VanDelden
- Sound: Craig Lalley
- Livestream: Belle Wetzel

Serving Next Week (7/18):

9:00 am: Usher/ Greeter : Jim Auldridge, Matt & Aimee Byrd

10:30 am

- Nursery: Joli Chism, Hannah Vidal, Samantha VanDelden
- Sound: Lance Duvall
- Livestream: Jim Washburne

DAILY DEVOTION

Memory Text: **John 8:12** ¹²Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Westminster Confession Canons of Dort III/IV, article 10...But it must be wholly ascribed to God, who, as He has chosen His own from eternity in Christ, so He calls them effectually in time, confers upon them faith and repentance, rescues them from the power of darkness, and translates them into the kingdom of His own Son; that they may show forth the praises of Him who has called them out of darkness into His marvelous light, and may glory not in themselves but in the Lord, according to the testimony of the apostles in various places.

Monday: Ex 25:31, 37. Without the lamp, how dark would the tabernacle be (Ex 26:2)? Why then was the lamp necessary for the priests? How does God "show us where to walk" (Ps 19:1, 7-9)? Do you faithfully study the Word? Do you dig to see God with the eyes of faith when reading it?

Tuesday: Ex 25:37. What furniture "in front of it" did the lamp light up? What did the priests then "see" about God? Why was Aaron on night duty according to Lev 24:1-4? There it repeats "regularly," or "continually." Of what does the lamp continually burning remind all Israel during the darkness of night (e.g. Ex 3:5-7, 13:21-22, Ps 27:1-3)? You just answered what about God was revealed in the lampstand -how are those attributes more fully revealed in Jesus (2 Cor 4:6)?

Wednesday: Ex 25:31-40. Israel was to be a light to display God's glory the nations (Is 42:6). Having failed, God sent his Son to shine into the darkness (Mt 4:16, Jn 1:4-5, 9). Consider the darkness in 2 Tim 3:1-5. How does Jesus light up such darkness? Is John 8:12 true of you? How can you mature as a light-walker (Eph 5:8, 1 Thess 5:5f)? How are we, as Israel, called to be reflective lights of God's glory to the nations (Mt 5:16, Phil 2:15)?

Thursday: Ex 25:31-36. What does this lamp look like? What evidences do you see in its design that it pictures fruitfulness, life? How does knowing God give life (Jn 8:12)? How does the light of God (knowing God) grow people into fruitful and flourishing fruit trees (Gal 5:22f, Ps 1)? According to Jn 15:5, 7-10, how do we bear much fruit? Do it!

Friday: Read Rev 21:22-26 with Ex 25:31 in mind. Why is there no lampstand in the new heavens and earth? Muse on that truth. In the meantime, where is Jesus' light (Rev 1:20, 2:1)? The lampstand is no longer restricted to one nation, but since Mt 27:51 and Acts 2:3, 4, 11 happened, the light shines to all nations. Pray that God's glory shines through the church, missions, church planting, and through your witnessing.

Saturday: How does Rev 8:4 understand Ex 30:1-10? Pray for tomorrow's service.



The Tabernacle of Moses

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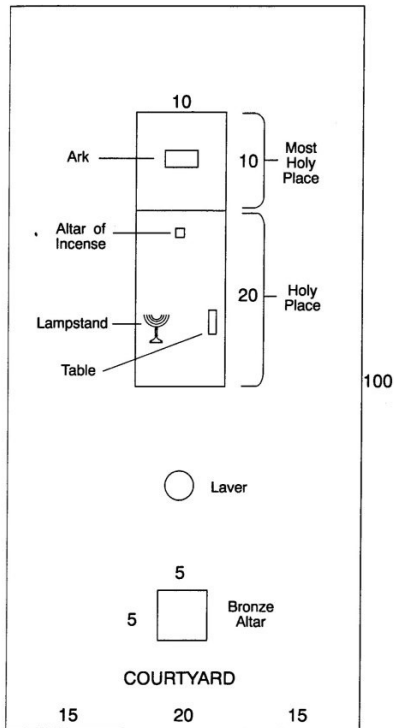


Figure 1: Physical Arrangement of the Tabernacle