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A smart program that helps a church see energy costs in a whole new light.

The Grace Bible Church is an independent, non-denominational church that has been welcoming congregations to worship and prayer in Wappingers Falls, NY for years.

As a non-profit community organization, the church is always looking for better ways to manage its budget. Since lighting plays an integral part in the church’s daily life, Grace Bible Church wanted to look for a smart way to potentially save on those costs. Engaging with Central Hudson, and their program partner Lime Energy, to make energy-efficient interior and exterior lighting upgrades helped them achieve that goal. After a brief assessment, a program proposal highlighted the potential impact that making these upgrades in the church would have on annual energy costs.

“Our estimated energy savings is proving to be accurate,” says Pastor Scott Harris. **“The greatest unexpected benefit has been the improvement in the quality of light. Every step of this process has been very professional and done with excellence. Even when one of the many fluorescent fixtures replaced failed, it was repaired the next day after I notified Lime Energy. I highly recommend the program.”** With interior and exterior energy-efficient LED lighting upgrades and the utility incentive, the Grace Bible Church is now saving over \$4,600 in annual energy costs.

Annual savings	\$4,608.00
Incentive paid	\$8,394.72
Measures implemented	Interior & Exterior LEDs
Total project cost	\$12,419.28

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