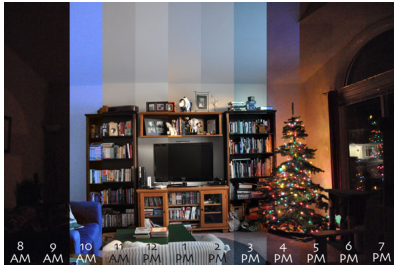


The Shortest Day

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Yesterday was the shortest day of the year in the northern hemisphere. Since I was home by myself all day I decided to record it. I set up my camera and tripod to take a picture of the living room (the brightest room in our house) every hour from 8 in the morning until 8 at night.

I also set up a timer so I wouldn't forget.

In the twelve hours I was taking photos there were only four where the living room felt bright. The sun rose a few minutes after 10 AM and set again just after 3 PM. There was direct sunlight hitting the living room wall from just before 1 PM to just after 2 PM. Most of the time I find the lack of light at this time of year frustrating (it's so hard to get a good picture of a pair of socks) but in those few hours of brightness every day I rediscover just how wonderful sunlight is and how much I love it. I'm looking forward to watching the days grow as we move into the new year.