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Light of the World Monthly Newsletter



I'm tired of all the bad news:

Can God help me see a solution to all the problems?

Have you noticed the newspaper headlines and lead stories on the evening news lately? They don't really change much over the years. Plenty of ink is spilled about wars, murders, rapes, or other forms of violent crime. Our eyes watch tornados, floods, hurricanes, and earthquakes unfold before us on the airwaves. Life can often look pretty bleak in many parts of the world.

But the problems aren't just in other parts of the world. Sometimes the hurt, the pain, and the tragedies we often read or hear about actually invade our own personal lives. Being on the receiving end can lead us to blurt out in frustration:

"Why are my neighbors so unfriendly? It's almost as if they take a grumpy pill each morning."

"My marriage has been in a rut for months, and the possibility of it changing seems hopeless. Some days I wished I'd never walked down the aisle."

"Why did my mom have to develop cancer? She has been a health nut her whole life. It doesn't seem fair." "The kids are driving me nuts! It feels as though I have completely lost control."

"I'm so lonely that some days I honestly feel that I am the only one left in the world."

Life has its problems. Each of us has our problems. Death, sickness, broken promises, and severed relationships—do you ever get tired of all the bad news? It can lead us to wonder: "Is there a solution?"

Yes, there is! It starts first with God helping us under-

stand that all of life's problems are really a symptom of the big problem of sin.

The awesome news is that God freely gives us a complete solution to that problem of sin. After living and dying for us, Jesus rose again on Easter Sunday. He is the solution! God tells us that he has given us "*new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead*" (1 Peter 1:3).

Tired of the bad news? Come and learn about the good news of God's solution to life's problems. This news will never become old.

Key Events This Month:

4/6—Maundy Thursday Worship

4/7—Good Friday Service of the Cross

4/9—Easter Breakfast Potluck / Resurrection Victory Celebration / Easter Egg Hunt

4/12—Little Lights

4/15—Everyone Outreach

4/16—GLOW Meeting

4/22—Beseler/Hauch Wedding

4/23—Spring Wreath Project

4/29—Klemm Bridal Shower

4/30—Council Meeting

Light of the World Mission

*As a family of believers united in faith, we serve Jesus, the true Light of the World, as we **GATHER** around God's Word and the Sacraments and **GROW** together in our faith and our relationship with Jesus, so we can **GO** and share the good news of Jesus in our community and the world and **GLOW** with the love of Christ in our lives.*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 9:15—Sunday School & Bible Class 10:30—Friendship Sunday/Palm Sunday Worship	3 5:00—6th Grade Confirmation	4 6:00—Choir	5 7:00—Council Rock Reset Meeting	6 6:30—Maundy Thursday Worship w/Communion	7 6:30—Good Friday Service of the Cross	8 9:30—Everyone Outreach, Session #2
9 9:15—Easter Breakfast Potluck 10:30—Resurrection Victory Celebration 12:00—Easter Egg Hunt	10	11 6:00—Choir	12 10:30—Little Lights 6:00—Choir	13	14 6:00—Women's Bible Study	15 9:30—Everyone Outreach, Session #2
16 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Worship w/Communion 12:00—GLOW	17	18 6:00—Choir 8:00—Elders Meeting	19 6:00—Choir	20	21	22 3:00—Beseler/Hauch Wedding
23 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Worship 12:00—Spring Wreath Project	24	25 6:00—Choir	26 6:00—Choir	27	28	29 8:00—Men's Bible Study @ Hometown Restaurant 11:00—Klemm Bridal Shower
30 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Worship 12:30—Council				<p>Church Cleaners for April: 3/26-4/1—Blobaum 4/2-4/8—Coleman, Ian & Sheila 4/9-4/15—Wyatt (teenagers) 4/16-4/22—Coleman, Bob & Gail 4/23-4/29—Duncan 4/30-5/6—Wyatt (teenagers)</p>		