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Sonlight Light of the World Monthly Newsletter

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Key Events This Month:

4/2—Maundy Thursday Worship

4/3 – Good Friday Worship

4/5—Easter Celebra-

4/18—Men's Bible Study @ Country Café

4/19—Quarterly Voters Meeting

4/25—Outing at Glow Putt

4/26—Confirmation Sunday

Why Is Jesus' Resurrection Significant for Me?

"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead."

1 Corinthians 15:20

It was refreshing, though the situation certainly wasn't. Sandy's mom had spent a wonderful, joy-filled day with her and her ten-month-old daughter. But it took just one moment. What started as a minor health scare quickly escalated, resulting in an emergency trip to the hospital. Less than two days later, Sandy's mother went home to heaven.

They weren't ready to lose her. If they could have their way, she'd still be here. So what was so refreshing? "We ask that God's will be done." "I'm glad she is in Jesus' arms." Throughout the entire tragedy, that's what Sandy wrote.

How could she be so upbeat? In the midst of mourning, she was a modern-day Martha. Martha, fighting through tears for her brother Lazarus, freshly laid in the grave, boldly proclaimed to Jesus, "I know he

will rise again in the resurrection at the last day" (John 11:24).

How could she be so confident? How can I be so confident? As a result of Adam and Eve's first sin, death was introduced into the world. As a result of sin, I've lost loved ones. As a result of sin, I myself will lose my life one day. And as a result of my sin, God tells me there's only one place where I deserve to go, hell.

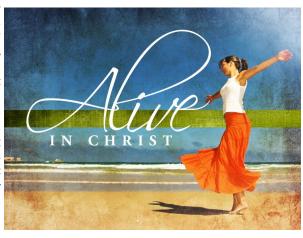
How can I be so confident? Because I have a loving Savior. Where I struggle and fail each

day to love and o b e y G o d, J e s u s didn't ever fail. E v e n w h e n loving G o d meant dying for me, Jesus obeyed.

His love for me took him to the cross. His love has taken away all the guilt of my sins.

How can I be so confident? Because I have a living Savior. Jesus died, but he's not dead. His resurrection is more than just an occasion to commemorate once a year on Easter. It's the proof that Jesus not only forgave my sins and conquered hell, it's also the promise that because he lives, I also will live. When I die, in his loving and living arms, I will live!

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Voters Meeting

On Sunday, April, 19th, we'll be holding our quarterly voters' meeting. This meeting will mostly be geared towards providing ministry updates to the congregation, as well as looking at some dates for maintenance work days for the next few months..

These meetings are a great way to stay current on what's going on here at Light of the World, and it's the place where you can give feedback on our ministry here. If you have a specific area of concern or a specific item you'd like included on the agenda, we'd ask that you present it to the Council first so that they can have the opportunity to talk about it before the meeting. Thanks!

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Jesus' resurrection gives me confidence. It makes me confident to say, "I know that my Redeemer lives." I am refreshed in every joy and every sorrow because I know that my Redeemer lives. And when at last my earthly journey is done, I will wake to live forever with my Savior because my Redeemer lives.

Find your eternal confidence in Christ's resurrection! Have a blessed Easter!

Pastor Strong

Holy Week Schedule

- ⇒ Maundy Thursday Worship—4/2 @ 6:30pm
- ⇒ Good Friday Worship—4/3 @ 6:30pm
- ⇒ Easter Breakfast Potluck—4/5 @ 9:30am
- ⇒ Easter Morning Celebration—4/5 @ 10:30am

Light of the World Mission Statement

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.

Family Fun Night—Glow Putt

Seeing how our family fun night attendance has been low throughout this year, this month we're going to try to change things up a little. In the past, we've have a bowling outing in place of one of our gaming nights. We'll look at doing that again later this year, but for this spring, we'd like to try our handing at mini-golf.

The date for going to the Glow Putt (located in the Sadler Building) is Saturday, April 25. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church so that we can get an estimate for how many people are interested in going. The cost for groups of ten or more will be \$6 per person. We hope this will provide a fun activity for members to enjoy each other's company outside of our usual worship environment.



On the Lighter Side...

What is Easter?

A Sunday School teacher was attempting to teach her young students the true meaning of Easter. "Why do we celebrate Easter?" she asked. When the children replied 'because of the Easter bunny,' Easter eggs, candy, spring, etc., she said, "No, those are Easter traditions and symbols, but what is the REASON why we celebrate Easter? What happened at the very first Easter?" A little girl raised her hand and said, "Easter celebrates Jesus coming out of the tomb." "Yes!" said the teacher, excited and relieved that finally the correct answer had surfaced. Encouraged, she prompted, "Jesus arose from the tomb, and what does He do for us?" The youngster replied, "He looks to see if he can see his shadow, and if He can, he goes back in for another six weeks."

College Care Packages

As you may know, we currently have a couple college students in our congregation, Tim Belmont and Andrew Sharp, as well as others students currently attending UAF.

The Member Ministry Team would like to put together a care package for each of these students to give them some encouragement and some tasty treats during their studies.

We'll be collecting items

through Sunday, April 26. Some ideas for the packages include: Cookies, ramen, mac'n cheese, Kleenex, hand-written notes, and \$5/\$10 gift cards to Safeway, Blockbuster, or Walmart, or whatever else you would like to send them.

We hope to send the packages with enough time for our students to enjoy them at the end of another school year! Thanks for your help!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 6:30—Maundy Thurs- day Worship	3 6:30—Good Friday Worship	4
5 9:15—Easter Breakfast Potluck 10:30—Easter Celebra- tion	6 4:30—Catechism	7 6:00—Choir	∞	6	10	11
12 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Worship w/Communion 12:00—Council Meeting ing 12:00—GLOW Meeting	13 4:30—Catechism	14 6:00—Choir	15	16	17	18 8:00—Men's Bible Study @ Country Café in North Pole
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26 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Confirmation Sunday 12:00—Outreach Team Meeting	27 4:30—Catechism	28 6:00 –Women's Bible Study	29	30	4/5-4/11—Christianson 4/12-4/18—Coleman, Bob & Gail 4/19-4/25—Coleman, Ian & Sheila 4/26-5/2—Davidge, Philips	unson an, Bob & Gail an, Ian & Sheila e, Philips

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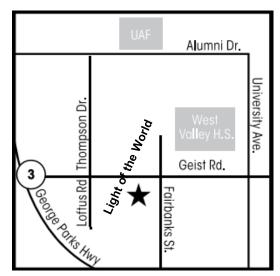
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Grow in God's Word with us!
Sunday Worship 10:30
Bible Classes for all ages
9:15 am



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"He is not here; he has risen, just as he said."
- Matthew 28:6

