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Sonlight Light of the World Monthly Newsletter

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Key Events This Month:

3/10—Monthly Potluck — Irish theme

3/12—GLOW Meeting/Craft Night

3/12—Council Meeting

3/14—Leadership Team Meeting

3/23-Easter for Kids

3/28—Maundy Thursday Evening Worship

3/29—Good Friday Evening Worship

It Is Finished!

John 19:30 — When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

You know, there's nothing quite like undertaking a major project and having the sweet satisfaction of completing it. The beer always tastes a little better when it's in celebration of a housing renovation being done. The hat always feels a little warmer and looks more beautiful when it's one you knit yourself. break is always more enjoyable once you know your major projects are finished and you're in the clear for a couple of weeks.

Jump back to that first Good Friday, and we see another job finished. That's your Savior hanging there, his work done. The work that had begun thousands of years before, in the Garden of Eden, when God had spoken a promise to a man and woman who had just screwed up the greatest thing they had going for them, perfection, the promise that "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel."



That promise resulted in Jesus coming to earth, living the perfect life on his walk that ended on Calvary's cross, dying for all sins of all time. But there was no celebratory beer or beautiful product or restful break to commemorate this

amazing act. Just a man who bowed his head, gave up his spirit, and died, seemingly defeated.

It seemed that way. But as

Jesus died on the cross, heaven rejoiced. As Jesus endured the punishment of hell that Good Friday afternoon for all of our failings, God's wrath and anger were satisfied. God was satisfied because Jesus' death forgave every sin, breaking down the barrier placed between God and

man ever since Eve bit into that forbidden piece of fruit.

And then there's Easter morning. If ever there's a reason to celebrate, Jesus' resurrection is it! That was the completion of Jesus' work. His life, death, and resurrection have resulted in all our sins washed away. Because of Christ crucified, you never

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Open for Easter!!!

On Saturday, March 23, Light of the World will be hosting its 2nd annual *Easter for Kids*. This years theme is "Open for Easter!" We're eagerly looking forward to showing children from all over our community

how the empty tomb on Easter morn gives us great reason to rejoice.

We thank our Outreach Team for putting plans together for this great event! If you'd like to get involved, there are multiple ways you can do so...

- 1) Sign up to donate items needed.
- Volunteer to help at the event.
- 3) Hand out invitations.

We hope you'll be able to help out with this great opportunity! Page 2 Sonlight March 2013

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need to worry about the attacks of Satan again. He might win the fight, but the

war was won already long ago at the cross. Rejoice in that sweet satisfaction of sins forgiven! Bask in the eternal love of God! And eagerly look forward to the day when this life will be finished and eternal life in heaven begins!

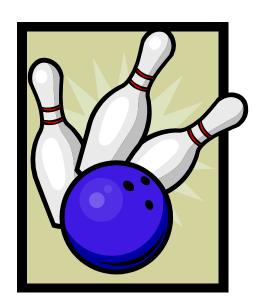
He is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor Jason Strong

April Outing

The Member Ministry Team is planning a fun outing for April. Instead of our monthly game night, we're going to reserve some lanes at Arctic Bowl and have a bowling party!

We are looking at going Saturday, April 13, in the evening. If you would like to attend this outing, there will be a sign-up sheet over the next few weeks. We will need a final count by Palm Sunday so we can reserve some lanes. We hope you can join us!



Leadership Team Update

A couple of weeks ago, our Leadership Team had its first meeting. We studied God's Word, seeing why God wants us to have a mission as a church and what his mission is for us as a church. At our next meeting, we'll be working on forming a mission statement unique to our congregation and why we exist here.

In either April or May, we'll be

looking to create a vision for our congregation, a plan for where our congregation sees itself in the next 5-10 years.

That's where we need you! We want people who have ideas for our future ministries and would be willing to help plan. We'll look at a Saturday morning session to do some planning. Come be a part of the process!

Holy Week Worship

Our "Names of Wondrous Love" Lenten theme will continue on throughout our Holy Week worship, which will begin with our Palm Sunday celebration on Sunday, March 24.

Here are the names we'll be looking at during Holy Week:

Maundy Thursday—The Lamb Good Friday—The Alpha and the Omega Easter Sunday—The Light

Our Maundy Thursday (March 28) and Good Friday (March 29) services will both begin at 6:30pm, and our Easter Sunday celebration will be on Sunday, March 31, at 10:30am. We will have an Easter potluck brunch following our Easter service!

Come and join us as we worship our risen Lord!

God's Lights Of the World

We thank those who have been working so hard on making the children's "Quiet Bags" for church. These are small bags filled with books, coloring sheets, crayons, and even an Eye Spy game. We'll look to introduce those on Easter Sunday.

We are also going to be having a Craft Night coming up on Tuesday, March 12, starting at 5:45pm. Please direct any questions to Linda Pappenfuss.

Our Bible Study continues to provide some great conversation and growth in our faith. We continue to invite any and all ladies to that study. Our next one will be Tuesday, March 26. If you would be interested in leading this, talk with Becky Strong.

God's blessings!

BBB Class Schedule

Our BBB (Back to the Basics of the Bible) Class is nearing the end of its sessions.

Here's the topics we'll be studying in March:

- ⇒ Worship (Mar. 4)
- ⇒ Stewardship (Mar. 11)
- ⇒ Evangelism (Mar. 18)

We'll be looking to start up a new round of classes in mid-April after the Lenten season is finished. If you or someone you know would like to find out more about our BBB Class, you may contact Pastor Strong via email or by calling his office.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:15—Bible Class for all ages 10:30—Worship w/Communion	4 7:00—BBB Class	ις.	6 5:30—Soup & Sand- wich Dinner 6:30—Midweek Lenten Service	7 4:30—Choir 6:30—Confirmation Parents' Meeting	∞	6
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24 9:15—Bible Class for all ages 10:30—Worship	25	26 6:00—Women's Bible Study	27	28 6:30—Maundy Thurs- day Worship	29 6:30—Good Friday Worship	30
31 9:15—No Bible Class 10:30—Easter Morning Celebration 12:00—Easter Brunch						

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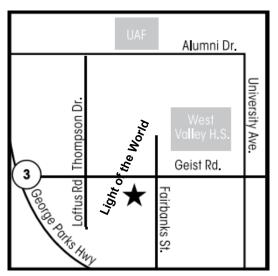
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Grow in God's Word with us!
Sunday Worship 10:30 am
Bible Classes for all ages
9:15 am



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"He is not here; he has RISEN, just as he said!"

- Matthew 28:6



Easter for Kids 2013
Saturday, March 23 @ 1pm