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## Light of the World Monthly Newsletter



### Key Events This Month:

5/7,21—Women’s Bible Study

5/8—Mother’s Day Brunch

5/14—Men’s Bible Study

5/15—Confirmation Sunday

5/15—Spring Congregational Meeting

5/16,18—Mornings with Mommy

5/22—Summer Outreach Meeting

5/22—Council Meeting

5/27,28—Everyone Outreach

## Why should I get up in the morning and live life?

I always wanted to be a morning person. You know, the kind of people that whistle on the way to the shower and sing while they dress. Unfortunately, I am not that kind of person. I am one whose addiction to the snooze button almost always has me rushing around in the morning, trying not to be late for the day’s events.

God’s Word is like an alarm that is ringing. Every time we have lust in our hearts, it rings. Every time we utter an obscenity, it rings. Every time our mouths are full of coarse joking, we hear it ring. The temptation is to hit the snooze button of our conscience and continue sleeping in sin. But snoozing through the alarm of God’s holy will is more serious than showing up late for a meeting. If we ignore what God commands, we are in for

a rude awakening. In the Bible, we read, **“God’s wrath comes on those who are disobedient” (Ephesians 5:6)**. No matter how much we cover our heads with the blanket of denial, we cannot and will not escape the alarm of God’s justice.

God’s alarm is ringing for us, **“Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you” (Ephesians 5:14)**.

Jesus is the light of the world. He came to dispel the darkness that shrouded us by sin and death. His light shone brightly when he was lifted up on a cross to die in order to take away our death. And his light exploded in brilliance when he rose from the dead to prove that he is the world’s Savior. Through the good news of God’s Word, the light of Jesus

Christ shines on us to awaken us from the slumber of sin and darkness of death.

I have work to do on my morning routine. I need to strive to not keep hitting the snooze button. But praise be to God for Jesus, whose light from the cross and empty grave shines on us. Led by his light, we can get up in the morning to live life, **“always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Ephesians 5:20)**.

## 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
1 9:15—Sunday School 10:30—Worship w/Communion	2	3	4	5	6	7 10:00—Women’s Bible Study
8 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Worship 12:00—Mother’s Day Brunch	9 5:00—Catechism	10 6:00—Choir	11 5:00—Catechism 6:30—Branches	12 6:30—Branches	13	14 8:00—Men’s Bible Study @ Hometown
15 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Confirmation Worship w/Communion 11:45—Confirmation Reception 12:30—Spring Congre- gational Meeting	16 5:00—Catechism 10:30—Mornings with Mommy	17 6:00—Choir	18 10:30—Mornings with Mommy 6:30—Branches	19 6:30—Branches	20	21 10:00—Women’s Bible Study
22 9:15—Sunday School & Branches 10:30—Worship 12:00—Summer Out- reach Planning Session 12:30—Council	23 8:00—Elders	24 6:00—Choir	25 6:30—Branches	26 6:30—Branches	27 6:00—Everyone Out- reach	28 10:00—Everyone Out- reach
29 10:30—Worship	30	31				

Church Cleaners for May:  
 5/1-5/7—Strong  
 5/8-5/14—Wyatt  
 5/15-5/21—Amundson/Crouse  
 5/22-5/28—Anderson/Taipale  
 5/29-6/4—Coleman, Bob & Gail