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What Does the Holy Spirit Do for Us?

“The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.”

- 1 John 1:17

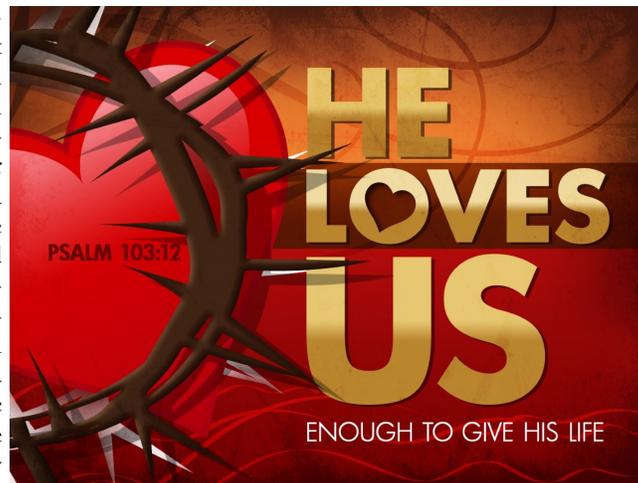
A famous doctor once conducted a series of autopsies in which he made a stunning observation. Here is how it happened. He had carefully examined the body of a convicted murderer when he noticed a connection to the body of a convicted thief. The two individuals had the exact same internal problem. It got a little crazier. He went back over the notes from a few other cases and he discovered that a few more bodies had the same internal problem. But it didn't stop there. He went back over all his cases and, regardless of the person's background, all of the people had that same internal problem. The doctor shared

his findings in a book which is still the top-selling book of all time.

Do you want to know what the connection was between all of those people? They all had heart problems. You have

and wave, it comes from within the heart. When someone hurts your feelings and you want to hurt them back, it comes from within the heart. When you say something in anger that you immediately want to take back, it comes from within the heart.

That is the problem. So what is the solution? One man said it well, “Create in me a pure heart, O God” (Psalm 51:10). We need new and pure hearts and God is the only one who can create them. This is



probably heard the name of the doctor. His name is Jesus. Jesus once pointed out (Mark 7) that all evil thoughts and actions come from within the heart. When someone cuts you off on the highway and your first reaction is NOT to smile

where the work of God the Holy Spirit comes in. He uses something sharper than a surgeon's scalpel to penetrate and change the heart. The Holy Spirit uses the Word of God.

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Key Events This Month:

- 5/10—Monthly Potluck—Mom's favorite dish**
- 5/15—VBS Decorating**
- 5/16—Spring Clean-Up Day**
- 5/18—Canvassing**
- 5/21—VBS Decorating**
- 5/22—Game Night @ Church**
- 5/26—Canvassing**
- 5/30—Men's Bible Study @ Country Café in North Pole**
- 5/31—VBS Set-Up after church**

Spring Clean-Up

The weather has been beautiful the past few weeks, the temperatures have been on the rise, and the snow is mostly melted away. That can only mean one thing: it's time for some spring cleaning!

This year's clean-up day will be on Saturday, May 16, beginning at 10:00am. Besides the usual lawn care, there will be some cleaning at church, as well as some other projects that will need to be done. We hope that you'll consider joining us and helping us out

with this day. A list of projects will be made available beforehand. A meal will be provided to those who help out. Thanks for your service!

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Like a skilled surgeon, the Holy Spirit cuts deeply in order to heal divinely. The Holy Spirit uses that Word of God to teach us that the “blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin” (1 John 1:17). The Holy Spirit uses that Word of God to change the heart so that it beats with faith and hope and love. The Holy Spirit uses the Word of God so that it pours out joy, peace, patience, kindness, and goodness. Thank the Holy Spirit for your new heart!

Rejoice in your purified heart!
God’s blessings,
Pastor Strong

Church Activity Ideas Wanted!

Unfortunately, we didn’t have very good attendance at our Game Nights and our Glow Putt outing this year. We want to change that. We want to find more activities that will allow members to get together outside of a Sunday morning worship setting. We value those opportunities for members to grow in their relationships with each other. If you have any ideas about events or outings that interest you, please submit them to Pastor or our Member Ministry Team leader, Lynn Kuhl. Thank you!

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.*

Summer Canvassing

Part of our mission here is to go out into the world with the good news about Jesus. To reach souls who don’t know Jesus, however, we don’t even need to leave our community. We have the privilege to serve as lights for Jesus here in Fairbanks!

One way we can be those lights is through canvassing. During our summer months, we go throughout our surrounding neighborhoods to invite people

to check our church out, and, even more, to have the opportunity to hear about Jesus.

It’s fun and uplifting work, but we need more help. Can you help us out? This month, we’ll be canvassing twice, on the Monday the 18th and Tuesday the 26th, and we’d love for you to join us. You’d partner up with one of our “experts” to help settle the nerves. Please consider if you can help us out!

On the Lighter Side...

A pastor’s wife was preparing pancakes for her young sons. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their Mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait." The oldest boy turned to his younger brother and said, "You be Jesus."



Camp Discovery VBS

Another summer coming up means another opportunity to share Jesus with children throughout our community. This year’s VBS, which will be held the first week in June, will be theme “Camp Discovery.” At our VBS, kids will learn how Jesus has a plan and a purpose for every person’s life.

It’s sure to be an awesome time, but to make it a success, we **NEED YOUR HELP**. Here are a few different ways

you can partner with us this year:

- ⇒ Hand out invitations to friends with kids
- ⇒ Canvass with us
- ⇒ Donate food or decoration items
- ⇒ Sign up to volunteer
- ⇒ PRAY!

Thank you for your support in our congregation’s outreach efforts!

MAY 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
3 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 12:00—Elders Meeting	4 4:30—Catechism	5	6	7 6:00—6th Grade Confirmation	8	9	
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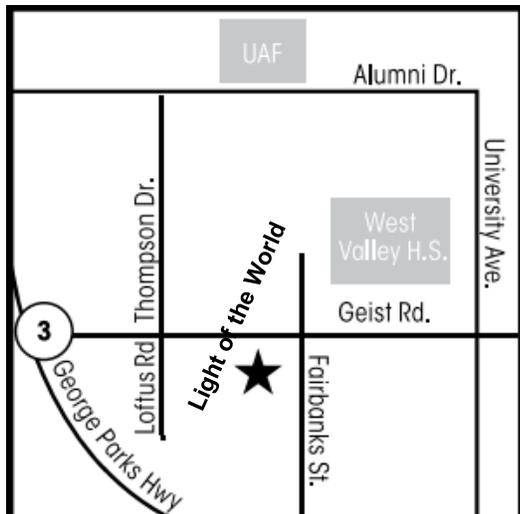
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Grow in God's Word with us!
Sunday Worship 10:30
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9:15 am



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***"For I know the plans I
have for you..."***
-Jeremiah 29:11



Come, explore Jesus' plan for you!
June 1st – 5th, 2015