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Light of the World Monthly Newsletter

Stand Up for the Gospel

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Romans 1:16 – “I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes.”

“Since Your Majesty and your lordships want a simple, clear, and true answer, I will give it. Unless I am convinced by the teachings of Holy Scripture or by sound reasoning – for I do not believe either the pope or councils alone, since they have often made mistakes and have even said the exact opposite about the same point – I am tied by the Scriptures I have quoted and by my conscience. I cannot and will not recant anything, for to go against conscience is neither safe nor right. Here I stand. God help me! Amen.”

Do you know who spoke those words? I’ll give you a few hints. The day was April 18, 1521. The location was Worms, Germany. And the person who spoke those words was one of the leaders of the



Reformation, which we celebrate at the end of October.

By now, hopefully you’ve reached the conclusion that it was Martin Luther who spoke these words. He was on trial with the Holy Roman Emperor for many of the tracts he had written, many of which condemned the Roman Catholic Church for their destructive false teachings. He was asked by Emperor Charles V to recant, or to disavow, everything he had written. The words above show Luther’s response. Since what he had written was in line with Scripture, he could not and would not take his writings back.

Martin Luther was a man who

wasn’t ashamed of the gospel; that much is clear to see. Even in the face of certain rejection, persecution, even death threats from the Roman Catholic Church, Luther was unafraid to speak the truth of God’s Word.

“I am not ashamed of the gospel.” Can you always say that? Or have there been times where you admit you were ashamed of the gospel. Ashamed to approach your fellow brother or sister in Christ who’s caught in sin to try to lead them to repentance. Ashamed to spend time with your family reading God’s Word and growing in your faith. Ashamed to share the salve of the gospel with a friend who has opened up his soul to you about problems he’s been dealing with lately.

Thankfully, God’s not ashamed of you. He loves you so much he’s given you the

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Key Events This Month:
11/9—School of Outreach
11/10—Harvest Festival Potluck
11/15—Family Fun Night
11/17—Council Meeting
11/27—Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thanksgiving/ Advent

As we embark into November and the holiday season begins to pick up, so does our worship schedule. Once again this year, we’ll be celebrating Thanksgiving with a service on Wednesday, November 27 at

6:30pm. Our evening service seemed to have a better reception last year, so we will do that again this year.

Once December begins, so will the season of Advent. We will be holding Advent midweek services on Wednesday eve-

nings in December, starting at 6:30pm. As in previous years, there will also be a soup and sandwich dinner held prior to the service at 5:30pm. As the holiday season approaches, we hope you’ll find time to worship with us!

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gospel, and not just the message. Jesus' life, death, and resurrection are yours. You are forgiven. There's nothing to be ashamed of there. In fact, quite the opposite. God's love makes us unashamed to share the gospel. God's love empowers us to take a stand for the gospel and to be committed to it. God's love enables us to be like Martin Luther and to defend the truth of God's Word. Be assured of this: you are God's child. That means you're not ashamed of the gospel because that is the precious message of your salvation!

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.*

Advent by Candlelight

We are now one month away from our second annual Advent by Candlelight. A theme has been chosen, "Keeping Christ in Christmas: The meaning of many different Christmas symbols."

Your invitations should appear in your mailbox soon.

If you are interested in hosting a table, please contact Carole Belmont for more information, or to sign up.

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Date: December 7, 2013

Time: 3:00 p.m.

God's Lights Of the World

Dear Ladies,

We have return from retreat, all ready to begin planning for the WELS Women's Retreat 2014 in Fairbanks. If you are interested in more information on how you can get involved, contact Becky Strong.

We are also prepping for our 2nd annual Advent by Candlelight. See ABC section above for information.

Due to the business of the

Next couple months, we will not be having a Bible Study until January.

Our next gatherings:

Meeting - Tuesday, November 12 at 6:00 p.m at church

Future meetings for ABC and Retreat 2014 will be announced as they are scheduled.

Please let us know how we can better serve you. Thank you.

God bless, Becky Strong



Christmas for Kids

Our Outreach Team is planning a new outreach event for this Christmas, Christmas for Kids. This event will be similar to our Easter for Kids, where we spend a Saturday afternoon inviting children from our community to come, hear the good news of the birth of Jesus, make some crafts, and have lots of fun.

Our theme this year is "The Greatest Gift!" There will be invitations and sign-up sheets later this month. Will you be able to volunteer for this event? Will you be able to give some donations for our crafts or snacks? We hope you'll consider supporting our first Christmas for Kids as we rejoice that our Savior is born!

Ideas for Ministry?

As the year draws to a close, our ministry teams will be making plans for the next year. Do you have ideas for events or programs we could be doing here at Light of the World? If so, our ministry teams would like to hear them.

If you have an idea, we'd ask that you share it with Pastor, who would be more than will-

ing to pass the idea along to the appropriate ministry team. We hope to continue to provide opportunities for members to grow in their faith, to grow in their relationships with other members, and to go out with their faith into our community.

NOVEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 12:00—Member Minis-	4 4:30—Catechism	5 6:00—Outreach Team Meeting	6 6:15—Choir	7	8	9 9:00—School of Out- reach
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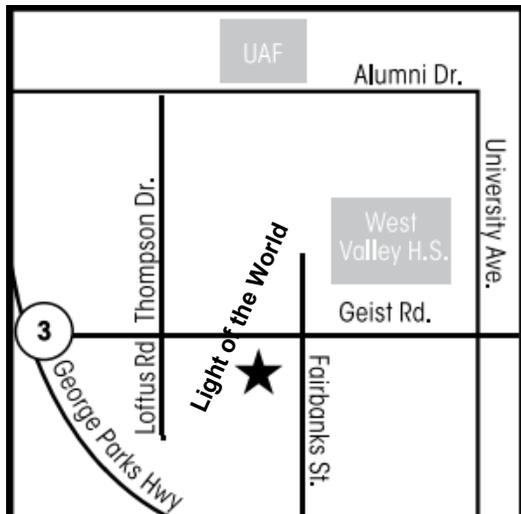
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Grow in God's Word with us!
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Bible Classes for all ages
9:15 am



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**Give thanks to the Lord...his
love endures forever!"**
-Psalm 118:1

