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**Key Events This Month:**

- 10/5—Outreach Team Meeting**
- 10/12—German-themed Potluck**
- 10/14—GLOW Meeting**
- 10/15—Council Meeting**
- 10/17—Family Fun Night**
- 10/19—Quarterly Voters Meeting**
- 10/25—Men’s Bible Study @ the Bakery**
- 10/26—Friendship Sunday**

*Take Out the Trash*

**Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.**

**1 Peter 5:7**

If you were asked to write down your top-ten favorite places, it’s hard to imagine “a landfill” making anybody’s list. There’s nothing pretty about a landfill. There’s nothing attractive or inviting about a place where trash is piled high and deep. It’s no fun to be at a landfill; all you can do is watch the pile get bigger. And you certainly wouldn’t want to take home any souvenirs!

But in 1 Peter 5:7, God is inviting us (if it can be said this way) to treat him like a landfill. “Pile it up!” he says. “Keep it coming! I can take it! Cover me with it!”

What kind of trash is God asking us to cover him with? *Anxiety*. Worry about the fu-

ture. Stress of the present. Burdens from the past. All the things that pile up and make life feel like an endless slog through a murky, mucky swamp. All the things that press hard and cause pain, on



the inside and the outside. God says, “Throw it all on me!” He wants to take away all those burdens. He wants to remove the guilt from the sins of the past. He wants to hold us up under the stress of the

present. He wants to show us the way into the future.

But, as ugly as it sounds, he wants to do that by taking those burdens onto himself. In fact, he already has taken those burdens when Jesus Christ bore the sins of the whole world. He carried all of them when he died on the cross. He didn’t drop anybody’s burden of sin. He didn’t leave anybody’s out so that now they’re stuck carrying their own.

Do you know people who help others so much that they hardly have any time left for themselves? You can marvel at how much they give of themselves, how many burdens they carry for other people. But if you would ever ask them how they can

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*Friendship Sunday*

Have you heard about my friend? He’s the friend you’ve always dreamed of having. He never gets mad at you. He always has time for you. There’s nothing he wouldn’t do

for you. He loves you. He loves you so much that he died on the cross to save you from you sins. That’s true friendship.

Of course, I’m talking about our best friend, Jesus. On the last Sunday this month, Octo-

ber 26, we’ll be celebrating Easter (six months away from Easter!), but it’ll also be a Friendship Sunday. We encourage you to invite a friend to hear about our best friend, Jesus!

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possibly do so much to help others, the answer might come back so plainly, "I just love them."

God's attitude toward you is so full of love—so overflowing with love—that no matter how many of your burdens you pile on him, his love will still spill out for you through Jesus. So take out the trash! Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

God's blessings,  
Pastor Strong

## *Quarterly Voters Meeting*

On Sunday, October 19, following our late service we will be holding our Quarterly Voters meeting. We encourage all members to attend this meeting, as this is where you can get an update on everything going on at church. Some of the main topics will include: updates on maintenance projects, a church discipline case, info on our current budget shortfall, as well as reports from our ministry teams. Please plan to attend this meeting!

## *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.*

## *GLOW Update*

Praise be to the Lord for an AMAZING retreat weekend! Thank you those who attended, who donated baskets, and to those who did the planning the past 14 months. We had 58 women in attendance, at least one from every congregation in Alaska. Naomi did a phenomenal job sharing the truths of God's word with us. We can definitely say we were able to relax and feel rejuvenated. Thank you!

Even though we have complet-

ed this huge event, the activities don't stop. Coming up in just two short months will be our 3rd Annual Advent by Candlelight.

All women are welcome to attend our monthly meetings. We will be meeting at church on October 14, at 6:00 p.m. We would love to have you come and see what is in store for the ladies of Light of the World in the coming months.

God bless, Becky Strong

## *On the Lighter Side...*

*This is a new feature for our newsletter where amusing items will be posted from mis-statements in actual church bulletins, children's comments on church and religion, insurance claim forms where car drivers attempted to summarize the cause of an accident, and other items designed to provide a laugh or two.*

A kindergarten teacher was walking around observing her classroom of children while they were drawing pictures. As she got to one girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

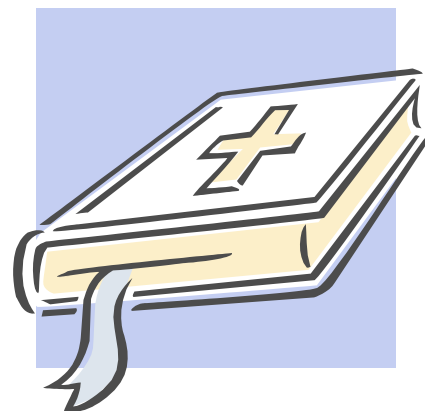
## *We Believe WHAT?!?!*

Did you know God tells us to judge other people? Have you ever wondered if God's Word does actually talk about homosexuality? Has anyone ever told you that you have the right to choose to have faith in Jesus?

We know that God's Word has some difficult teachings. There are times, however, where we just misunderstand what the

Bible might have to say on a particular subject. In our next Bible Study (set to begin at the end of the month, Lord-willing), we'll be taking a look at some of the most misunderstood passages or topics of Scripture.

Have a passage you've never quite understood? Prepare to have God answer it for you!



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 8:00, 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 12:00—Outreach Team Meeting	6 4:30—Catechism	7	8	9 6:00—6th Grade Con- firmation	10	11
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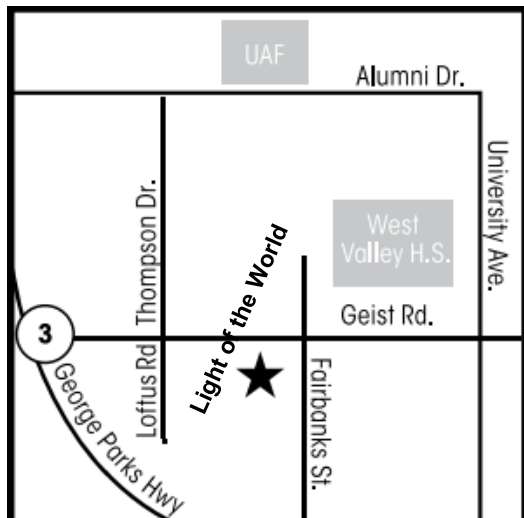
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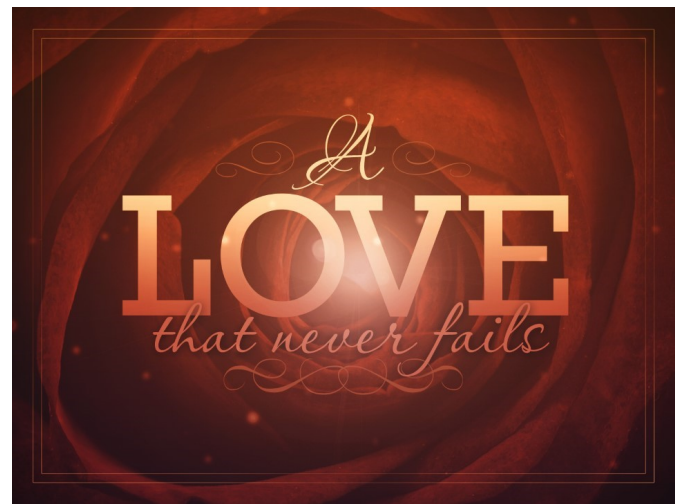
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Grow in God's Word with us!  
Sunday Worship 8:00 & 10:30

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***"Since God so loved us,  
we also ought to love  
one another."***

***- 1 John 4:11***