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Light of the World Monthly Newsletter

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Jesus Is My Savior from Satan

The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. – 1 John 3:8

Is the devil real? He doesn't really exist, right? WRONG! The devil is a fallen angel. He is called Satan, which means "adversary." He has one goal.

He wants to literally "give you hell." Picture him as a prosecutor standing before the judgment seat of God. He talks about your character flaws like pride, anger, and your evil desires of greed and lust. He's very convincing. And that "father of lies" is not lying. You can't deny what he says about you. It appears his case work will bring about an eternal sentence of hell for you.

But wait, Satan doesn't have the last word. Jesus Christ has come to our defense. He set out to defeat the devil and put

an end to his evil work. Jesus came to earth not to just hinder, slow down or frustrate the devil and his dealings with you. He came to destroy him. That is exactly what Jesus did by his death on the cross. Jesus' death on the cross in your place is

So what does the devil do now if he can't speak to God about your sins? He speaks to you! The devil comes to you reminding you of your sins and tries to convince you that God won't forgive you. This is his last resort. He tries day and night to tempt you to sin and then push you to despair over your condition.

But the victory is already won! The victory belongs to Jesus and by faith it belongs to you. Resist the devil's temptations and he will flee from you. He may try to set snares, but you aren't ignorant of his devices. You have the shield of faith in Jesus that extinguishes all the fiery darts of that wicked one.



the devil's destruction. All of the devil's accusation about you before God are stopped because on the cross Jesus won the forgiveness for all of your sins. The devil can no longer successfully accuse you before God.

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Key Events This Month:

- 9/6—Choir begins**
- 9/11—Sunday School for all ages begins!**
- 9/11—Potluck**
- 9/16—Council Strategy Session**
- 9/18 – Council Meeting**
- 9/18—GLOW Meeting**
- 9/23—Family Fun Night**
- 9/24—Men's Breakfast Bible Study @ Hometown Restaurant**
- 9/27—GLOW Bible Study**

How to Study the Bible

God is rather clear. He wants us to be in his Word. He wants us to be in his Word more. But the Bible is so vast and sometimes intimidating. Or I just can't find a time when the kids aren't screaming or

I'm busy with work stuff to have a meaningful devotional life.

Are you looking at growing stronger in your study habits when it comes to God's Word? Want to see how Martin Luther

did it? Join us for our first "legacy" Bible Study for this new school year, where you'll have the opportunity to spend time with your Lord in his Word and be able to develop a more meaningful Bible study plan for you!

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So keep your eyes on Jesus, who died for you, and your enemy the devil can't have his wicked way with you. The truth is that the devil's evil work has been destroyed by the Son of God, Jesus Christ. He is your Savior from Satan.

Thank God for that!

Pastor Strong

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.*

On the Lighter Side...

BASEBALL IN HEAVEN

Two buddies Chris and John were two of the biggest baseball fans in America. For their entire adult lives, Chris and John discussed baseball history in the winter and they pored over every box score during the season.

They went to 60 games a year. They even agreed that whoever died first would try to come back and tell the other if there was baseball in heaven.

One summer night, Chris passed away in his sleep after watching the Yankee victory earlier in the evening. He died happy. A few nights later, his buddy John awoke to the sound of Chris's voice from beyond. "Chris is that you?" John asked. "Of course it's me," Chris replied.

"This is unbelievable!" John exclaimed. "So tell me, is there baseball in heaven?"

"Well I have some good news and some bad news for you. Which do you want to hear first?"

"Tell me the good news first."

"Well, the good news is that, yes, there is baseball in heaven, John."

"Oh, that is wonderful! So what could possibly be the bad news?"

"You're pitching tomorrow night."

AK WELS Women's Retreat

Ladies, it's time to start thinking about the next AK WELS Women's Retreat, which is being hosted this year by Peace in Eagle River. It will be held on October 7 & 8 at the Coast International Inn in Anchorage. This year's theme is: "Freedom in Christ," and the main speaker will be Mahtob Mahmoody. The registration cost for the retreat is \$65 if registered before September 1; it's \$75 if registered after.

We often have a contingent of

women who go down, so if you're interested, please let Becky Strong know. There is information on the table in back of church, and you can register for the retreat through the AK WELS Women's website, <http://www.akwelswomensretreat.com/>.

Calling all singers!

Do you like to sing? Would you be interested in being a part of our church choir? We'll be starting back up in September, (with one or two possible singing opportunities already in August) and we're always looking for new voices to join our ranks. If you are interested, or have any questions, please talk to our choir director, Carole Belmont, or Pastor!



SEPTEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:00—6th Grade Confirmation Parents Meeting	2	3
4 10:30—Worship w/ Communion 12:00—Outreach Team Meeting	5	6 6:00—Choir	7	8 5:30—6th Grade Confirmation	9	10
11 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Worship 12:00—Potluck 12:30—Elders	12 5:30—Catechism	13 6:00—Choir	14	15	16 6:00—Council Strategy Session	17
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25 9:15—Sunday School for all ages 10:30—Worship	26 5:30—Catechism	27 6:00—Women's Bible Study	28	29	<div style="background-color: #006633; color: white; padding: 5px;"> Church Cleaners for September 8/28-9/3—Davidge /Phillips 9/4-9/10—Hildsworth /Christianson 9/11-9/17—Kuhl/ Kukes 9/18-9/24—McGough 9/25-10/2—Risse </div>	

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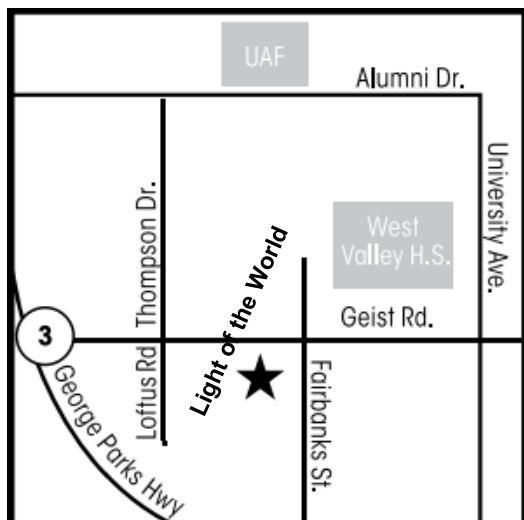
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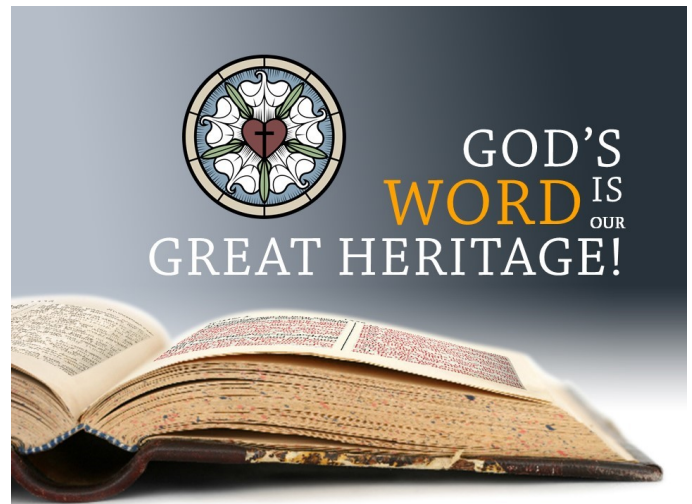
Grow in God's Word with us!

Sunday School for all ages - 9:15 am

Sunday Worship - 10:30 am



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