Memories ... Spirits ... 56 years ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

TODAY IS SUNDAY ... November 5, 2017

"The spirits dance a bit this morning" ... as we worship and remember ... we hope you experience some joy and peace, worshipping with us today.

We certainly enjoy having kids in church. When they get goofy and noisy, we as you <u>please to respect</u> the sanctity of our worship experience. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under. Our highly paid, border-line Lutheran, and moderately festive staff is always anxious to care for your children. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. "Spiritual coffee" awaits you in Charter Hall.

welcome --- any announcements? ... comments ... kind words? "for everything ... a season" Ecclesiastes 3. 1-8

OPENING PRAYER

Walking with my kids on a bike path in New York City. Going to work in my office, on the 37th floor.
Just having a cup of coffee around the corner from my bungalow.
Lord, what is safe anymore?? I treasure my freedom so much ... those little "moments" defining my day. The "little things" I take for granted. I cannot imagine hurting anyone else --- intentionally.
Yes, Lord, I've made my share of mistakes. Sometimes, without even knowing it --- I've hurt others. I've been a disappointment.

But ... I live in this land ... founded upon the quest for what is right,

and just, and noble. I've been taught ... even here in this "humble temple" ... that goodness and decency and kindness matter. I hope ... someday ... maybe one person will light a candle for me. I want to make a difference I want to leave "something good" behind. I know what counts: the spirit and the love. It's why we are here ... amen.

remembering the saints

opening song ... "For all the saints" 422 (vv. 1,2,3,4)

the liturgy ... page 138 "This is the feast" page 140

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readings for the day *1st lesson ... "a Mattie poem about Mattie" ... 2nd lesson please rise for the gospel ... "alleluia" ... page 102

"will my younger friends come forward?" kids' time ... "in this very room" ... a good place for the saints

> song "Precious Lord" 773 (are you listening, Calvin??)

> > meditation

the creed ... page 105

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offering and offertory ... "holy, holy, holy" ... page 144 choir anthem: "Children of the heavenly Father" 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper "Lamb of God" page 146 ... 574, 595, 613, 616 (3x), 656 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

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closing song 422 (vv. 1,5,6,7) benediction/3-fold "amen"

Our beautiful altar flowers this morning are the gift of

Laimdota Ansmits and family ... in loving memory of Adolf, who passed away 3 years ago, on November 4 ... after a long and courageous journey with ALS.

The eternal light shines with power and spirit today ...

*from Chuck Blunk, in loving memory of his dad, Charles ... who died last year. *from Liz McIntyre, in loving memory of Elaine McIntyre, who passed

away 3 years ago on November 16.

Tuesday: Stitch and Sew, 6:30 Wednesday: Bible study, 7:00 (only 2 sessions left!!) Thursday: Evening worship, 7:30 come and enjoy ... informal, spiritual, "lots of seating!!" Friday: Veterans' Day service ... also Marine Corp. birthday. 11:00 service at Orland Civic Center Memorial Saturday: VETERANS' DAY Next Sunday: We will remember all of you veterans and service men and women: "Thank-you" for your service!! THANKSGIVING IS COMING UP and we have much to be thankful for. WORSHIP THANKSGIVING DAY --- Nov. 23, 10:00. We serve dinner to our friends from St. Coletta's after worship ... and we deeply appreciate your donations of food. Sign-up in the narthex.

WELCOME, AND LOTS OF LOVE ... to Ruth and Mike Schwartz from Heartland Children's Home. We had bingo in your honor last Friday ... we so enjoy our partnership with you.
WINTER CONTAINER GARDENING WORKSHP ... Wed., November 29. You can rsvp and make your deposit in the narthex.
ARTISTS' FAIRE (Dec. 7 & 10) and ADVENT SUPPERS (Dec. 7,14,21) coming ... rsvp's begin next week.