

“A good and love-filled day ... for some really neat kids”  
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH “Oasis of Joy” USA

Sunday, September 24, 2017

**We hope you find a bit of hope and joy ... maybe a smile or two ...  
being in our “humble temple” today.**

We surely enjoy having kids in church. When they are noisy and restless ... we ask you please to respect the sanctity of our worship experience, and the comfort of your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under. Our highly paid and seasoned Lutheran staff is always anxious to care for your children. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Yes, we have some fine Lutheran coffee awaiting you in Charter Hall ... as well as some cake after the late service.

**We are honored to share in the CONFIRMATION of the following  
young people ... welcome to your family and friends.**

*Joe Aguinaga Luke Fritz Madeline Hall Jade Koch Andy Krickl  
Connor Kuempel Will Orban Bridget Raetz  
Christian Rorer Zoe Whitlow Brooke Zausa*

**The canticle of praise ... page 204**

**OPENING PRAYER**

I cry for you, Mexico.

I cry for your kids ... their families ... all the innocent people walking the streets. I hurt when the “randomness of life” gets in the way of our dreams, and hopes, and the joy we want each day & moment to bring to us.

Mexico, Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico ----- miles away, but so close to our hearts. I want to be part of the “fix-it.” I want to reach out and make it all better.

I want you to know: YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

This morning ... I sing. I say a prayer.

I look inside my own heart and soul.

I see the “love bucket” ... the sunrise ... the sunset.  
I see the best of the human spirit, in the toughest and worst of times.  
My faith? Our shared faith? ---- they come together in this incredible and often confusing “circle of life.” I do know this:  
we all share this circle together ----- amen.

opening song

“Here I am, Lord” 574

readings for the day

\*1<sup>st</sup> lesson \*the psalm \*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson

please rise for the gospel ... “alleluia” ... page 205

“will my younger friends come forward?”

kids’ time

song

“This is my Father’s world” 824

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory

“holy, holy, holy” page 207

choir anthem, 11:00 ---- “I hope you dance”

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper

“Lamb of God” page 208

Communion songs: 471, 484, 491, 492, 501

“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION, 11:00

closing song ... “Eagles’ wings” 787

benediction and 3-fold “amen”

**We have beautiful altar flowers gracing our sanctuary this morning.**

\*from Frankie Frech ... in honor of her “much older brother” Ray,  
on his “big” birthday. And ... how many would this be??

**The eternal light shines brightly today ...**

\*from Rich and Nancy Frothingham, in celebration of their  
granddaughter Kaylin, on her 12<sup>th</sup> birthday.

\*from Vern and Mary Ann Bock, in loving memory of Mary Ann’s  
mom – Cecilia Pietraszek.

Monday: Confirmation student-parent meeting, 7:00

Tuesday: Stitch and Sew, 6:30

Wednesday: Senior young-at-hearts, 11:30. Always looking for new  
folks for this young-spirited group ... please join us!!

Thursday: Evening worship, with Lord’s Supper ... 7:30

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY in supporting our efforts for  
hurricane relief. The “love bucket” still welcomes your gifts ... and our  
MUM SALES continue today. Put money in “love bucket” ... checks  
payable to the church ... thanks, Jim Melka and “company,” for  
the beautiful plants, and for keep our grounds lookin’ good!!

DID YOU KNOW THE CIVIL WAR BAND IS COMING??? ... YES,  
NEXT SUNDAY FOR A 2:00 CONCERT ... with a mid-afternoon lunch  
afterwards. Come and enjoy ---- friends and kids welcome ...  
please RSVP TODAY.

\*\*Also, tickets for Michele Apps’ incredible concert on Oct. 28  
are available.

**OUR NEXT BIBLE STUDY IS HERE ...beginning Wednesday, Oct. 11,**  
7:00 ---- book of “Revelation” and the book: “When Bad Things  
Happy to Good People.” Please rsvp today.

**YOUTH ... REMEMBER DEPOSITS ... for Oct. 8 and 22!!**

**Great America and the Irons Oak team building.**