An evening of prayer, resolve, and hope
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH ... "Oasis of Joy" USA
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HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 2018 ... Approximately 7:30

welcome ... any kind words? humble insights? complaints about the coffee??

OPENING PRAYER

I don't understand the twisted spirit of those who intentionally hurt innocent people ... who go about their lives doing decent and ordinary things. It hurts. It's sad. Sometimes it all makes me "pull back" from others. But I know I can't do this ...

I need to move ahead with resolve and courage ...
So, tonite ... as I receive your humble gifts of bread and wine ...
I promise:

*to love more than I've ever loved before.

*to give more ... from the very depth and fiber of my humanity ... so the life of at least one other person can be better.

*I will stand-up for those who cannot "do it" by themselves.

*I will believe ... even when others say it's not worth it ---- in the POWER OF GOODNESS.

I am determined, Lord, to hold onto the joy of the Easter message --a message calling us to step back and invite your "higher power"
to inspire us and empower us ---- to bring light and life into
our "little corner of the kingdom."

I pray for our world ...

with all my heart ... as hurt as it may be at times ... amen.

opening song
"Gift of love" 25 (spirit)

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures ... he leadeth me beside the still waters ... he restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of

righteousness for his names's sake. Yea, tho' I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil. For thou art with me ... thy rod and thy staff ... they comfort met.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies ... thou anointest my head with oil ... my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the day of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

evening reading

song ... "For those tears I died" 77

meditation

prayers and blessing the gifts

song before Communion ... "I believe" 46

sharing the gifts Communion songs: 55, 56, 67, 80 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song

"Jesus, remember me," 616 (3x)

benediction

*Worship tomorrow ---- Noon and 7:30
Easter Sunday ... 7:00 8:30 11:00
(breakfast ... 7:30 – 10:30)
*Love Bucket ... helping our youth go on their retreat
Still can order an Easter flower if you'd like.