

**“Welcome to DOUBTING THOMAS Sunday”  
All Saints Lutheran Church “Oasis of Joy” USA**

**Today is ... SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018**

**Welcome to our “humble temple” this morning --- home of strong  
coffee, ordinary folks, average preachin’ ...  
and ---- EXTRAORDINARY LOVE!!**

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We sure do enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit goofy and noisy ... 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, highly trained, and highly Lutheran (what does that mean??) is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Great having you here. Some fine coffee awaits you in Charter Hall.

welcome ... announcements? kinds words?

**OPENING PRAYER**

I sometimes get tired of waiting, Lord.  
Right now ... I’m waiting for spring. Well, it’s not happening.  
It’s so “grey” outside. But isn’t this the way life is, Lord??  
Grey. In-between. Waiting. Hoping. So much uncertainty. I keep hearing the words of that song: “Teach me, Lord, to wait ... down on my knees ... ‘til your own good time ...”  
It’s “your time” – not mine. Even tho’ I pretend it’s mine.  
Ahhh --- “for everything there is a season ...” Not always my season, but yours!! The ancient Hebrews “waited” for your son ...  
for years ... for generations!

I wait: for the doctor, for 2<sup>nd</sup> opinions, for people to understand, for me to understand. I wait: for test results, for a job opening, for re-hab to end, for whatever in life awaits me.

with doubts ---- may I have the humility and decency to share that “wait” with them. Life can be lonely ... help me open the door ---- amen.

opening song

“Teach me, Lord, to wait” 90 (spirit)

the liturgy ... page 98

“This is the feast” page 101

readings for the day

\*1<sup>st</sup> lesson \*the psalm \*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson  
please rise for the gospel ---- “alleluia” page 102

sacrament of baptism ... hymn 781

We are honored to share in the baptism of Vivian Eileen Talbot, daughter of Kevin and Kelly ---- wonderful sharing today with you.

“will my younger friends come forward?”  
kids’ time

song

“Thine is the glory” 376

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory ... choir anthem, 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper

“Lamb of God” page 112 ... music shared by Mike and Kathryn  
(only if needed ---- spirit: 82, 83, “alleluia”)

closing song ... “Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee” 836  
benediction and three-fold “amen”

**We have beautiful flowers gracing our sanctuary today.**

\*from the Sparks family, in honor of their granddaughter Sydney's baptism this afternoon.

\*from Ron and Shari Krywanio, in celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**The eternal light shines brightly this morning.**

\*from Rich and Nancy Frothingham, in celebration of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

\*from Jan Mitchell ... in loving memory of her husband Randy.

\*Today: Youth group breakfast club ... "Smoothie Sunday"

\*Tuesday: Stitch and Sew, 6:30

\*Thursday: Evening worship, with Lord's Supper, 7:30

SATURDAY ... MEMORIAL SERVICE for Randy Mitchell.

Visitation 10:00 ... service at 11:00

Blessing and love to Randy's wonderful family.

**OUR NEXT OUTREACH BINGO**

Friday, April 20 ... doors open at 6:30, first call 7:00.

Our men's club sponsors this enjoyable adult evening. Cards are only 50 cents per game ... refreshments ... and raising money to help others ----a great combination. Please rsvp today.

OUR NEXT CONFIRMATION CLASS is Monday, April 16 ... then again on April 30 ... excited, right??

COMING UP: Our annual Mother's Day plant sale ... Sunday, May 12 ... all morning ... do you think it will warm-up by then??? ... love to all!!