## "It's a MAMA kind-of day" ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

**Today is ... SUNDAY, MAY 13, 2018** 

Yes, love is in the "aire" ... at the humble temple. We are honored by your presence ... and hope you find a bit of joy and uplifting ... being with us this morning.

We sure do enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit noisy and goofy ... we ask you PLEASE TO RESPECT the sanctity of our worship experience, and the comfort of your neighbor. Our highly paid, quite Lutheran, and moderately festive staff is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery and introduce yourself to the attendants. Coffee and hot water for tea await you in Charter Hall. God bless, and thanks for being with us today.

**ENJOY THE PLANTS ... thanks Jim and "company"!!!** 

## opening prayer

Lord, it seems like my life often goes in too many directions. And, in the middle of all this, I wonder: have I lost my direction?

I need to stop ... even step back ... and let the silence of the moment speak to me. Where am I going, Lord?

Your way? My way? Do our ways have to be different? Somewhere along the way --- I hope our journeys collide: gently, slowly, with direction and purpose.

Thinkin' a lot about moms this week. Moms, step-moms, people who wish they were moms ... yet become "moms" to someone who needs a good dose of "unconditional love."

Lord, thanks for sharing my path with me. For your grace. Your gentle-but-firm soul and spirit. Your carpenter son.

The "moms" in my life.

Maybe I can be a "mom" to someone who feels lost and alone. It's what you do for me ... it's the least I can do in this journey called "my life." ----- amen.

opening song "When morning gilds the skies" 853

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

readings for the day
\*1st lesson \*the psalm \*2nd lesson
please rise for the gospel ... "alleluia" ... page 142

"will my younger friends come forward?" kids' time
"Mom, grandma, whoever you are ----- your love lifts me higher"

song "How great thou art" 856

meditation

the creed, page 105

offering and offertory "holy, holy holy" page 144

prayers and sharing the Lord's supper "Lamb of God" page 146 Communion songs: 484, 491, 492, 501 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song "Precious Lord" 773

benediction and three-fold "amen"

## We have beautiful flowers gracing our church today ...

\*from Don and Peggy ... in loving memory of all "moms" who have gone before ... and honoring all "moms" who bring unconditional love to so many people ---- HAPPY MOMS DAY!!

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

\*from Debbie Mallin, in loving memory of her dad Henry Zielke, and her mom Antoinette.

TODAY ... ENJOY THE PLANT SALE ...

Tuesday: Stitch and Sew, 6:30

Wednesday: Plant container workshop at Melka's (6:00)

Thursday: \*Angels among us" 4:00

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

NEXT SUNDAY: Last Sunday of Sunday School ... special closing program in the gym ... featuring "Know it all" with Scott

Czubernat and Patti Ummel ---- all are welcome

YOUTH GROUP BARBEQUE after 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

THE LOVE BUCKET TODAY is helping to raise money for an organization dedicated to support young single moms ... especially at this "Mother's Day" time of the year. Layla (Don's daughter) is vey involved with this organization. You can make a donation and/or buy one or more cards ---- see table in narthex.

WE ARE GETTING READY FOR OUR SPRING BRICK ORDER ...
FORMS ARE IN THE NARTHEX.

OUR ANNUAL BIKE BLESSISNG ... in memory of Patrick Mackey ... is Thursday May 24 ... as part of our evening worship.