

A few moments of peace and grace ... good having you here!!  
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

Today is ..... Sunday, August 19, 2018

**Summer Sundays at All Saints ... a nice mixture of joy, love,  
and a dash of hope. We hope your soul is nourished, being  
with us today.**

We very much 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 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. Thirsty for some fine summer coffee???? ...  
in Charter Hall ----- welcome all!!

announcements? kinds words? commentary???

#### OPENING PRAYER

OK, Lord ... enough negative thinking, focusing on what's wrong, pity-  
parties no one wants to attend ... enough is enough.

So, I called someone today ... who just did something really nice for a  
total stranger in need. All I said was "THANKS."

Thanks for sharing.

Thanks for caring.

Thanks for thinking of others.

Thanks for reminding me ... in your act of kindness ... how important it  
is TO SAY THANKS, AND REALLY MEAN IT.

Lord, it's too easy to get bogged-down with the gunk and ugliness so  
often surrounding us. On the other hand ... it is so quietly powerful to  
rejoice and remember and acknowledge moments of goodness and  
grace. After all ----- this is what life is ...  
and should be ... all about.

So glad I'm here: with you and my friends, Lord.

Amen.

opening song  
"Eagles' wings" 787

the liturgy ... page 184  
"This is the feast" page 187

readings for the day  
\*1<sup>st</sup> lesson \*the psalm \*2<sup>nd</sup> lesson  
please rise for the gospel ... "alleluia" ... page 188

"will my younger friends come forward?"  
kids' time  
R E S P E C T

song  
"I love to tell the story" 661

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory  
"holy, holy, holy" page 190

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper  
"Lamb of God" ... page 191  
Communion songs: 7, 14, 18, 25, 27  
"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song  
"Precious Lord" 773

benediction and three-fold "amen"

**We have beautiful flowers gracing our church this morning ...**

\*from Wally and Carol Lorenzen, in honor of their  
54<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary!@!-----wow!!

**The eternal light shines with spirit and goodness ...**

\*from Pat Reiss, in celebration of Ken's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday and  
Kennedy's 13<sup>th</sup> birthday --- August 17.

\*from Paul Kruce, in loving memory of his dad Lawrence,  
on the 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his passing.

\*from Gaylord Nelson, in honor of his wife Lynne's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday.

FINAL FUN-FEST THIS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 5:30.

They bring lots of folks ... and lots of food ... saying "thanks" to us for  
another wonderful year of picnics and love!@!!

STITCH AND SEW begins a new season ... with a pot-luck in Charter  
Hall --- Tuesday, August 28. New folks are always welcome.

Please rsvp in the narthex.

LADIES NIGHT OUT AT MELKA'S GARDEN CENTER ..

Monday, September 10 ... but deposits are due today.

Lots of fun ... creating your own container of beauty!!

BINGO AND REFRESHMENTS FOR OUR VETERANS ... at their residence

in Manteno --- Sunday, September 16 .... leaving after 2<sup>nd</sup> service.

Your "love bucket donations" help with cost of this event ... and we  
need some volunteers to come with us.

FIRST BINGO OF THE SEASON ... Friday, September 21. Please start  
making your reservations.

REGISTRATON FORMS IN NARTHEX ----- Confirmation classes,  
Youth Group, and Sunday School. All coming up soon!!