## "Precious Lord, take my hand ... I need it!!" ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

TODAY IS .... SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018

## It's so good being together on these "summer Sundays" ... few in number ... ABUNDANT in spirit.

We hope your soul is nourished a bit ... sharing worship with us this morning. We sure enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit restless and goofy ... we as 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 Lutheran staff is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Nothin' like coffee on a Sunday morning ... please help yourself in Charter Hall ... welcome all!!

Announcements? Nice words? Encouragement???

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

Why is it, Lord? ... that so often I let others define who I am?? Is it my insecurity? ... lack of self-esteem? ... just being a bit unsure and fragile?

I mean ---- I want to be STRONG all the time. I don't like being unsure, or indecisive, or dependent on others.

But I know ----- we can't "do it all" ... it's part of the journey.

Thanks, Lord .... for accepting me.

For loving me. Holding me up ... especially when I feel weak and insecure.

I know ... in your "kingdom" ... allowing myself to be weak, and admitting it ----- this can be the beginning of new-found strength.

Ironic how things work, Lord ...

when you are in charge instead of me.

Thanks.

Amen.

opening song
"Precious Lord" 773

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 "Everything's gonna be all right" ... will it??

song
"Blessed Assurance" 638

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: 654 (vv. 1,2,5), 656, 658, 676
"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song "Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee" 836

benediction and three-fold "amen"

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

\*from Jeanne Turnock, in loving memory of her husband Scott, on his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

\*from the Kuehn family, in honor of Howard's birthday, on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

\*from Laurie Czubernat, in celebration of Mike's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday, on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

\*Tuesday: FUN-FEST WITH OUR FRIENDS FROM

St. Coletta's ... 5:30 - 7:30

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

# We would enjoy your help ... \*eternal light (voluntary donation of \$5) \*sharing altar flowers \*helping Don with Communion (please!!)

Also ---- call church office if you'd like to be a greeter, an usher, share the readings ... WE HAVE A SPOT FOR YOU!!

#### REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ...

\*Sunday School (3 year olds through 6<sup>th</sup> grade)

\*Confirmation class (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders ... we meet two Monday
evenings per month ... pretty easy, right??)

\*Youth group: 7<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade

CHOIR RESUMES AT THE END OF AUGUST. They rehearse between services ... and are always looking for new folks to join. Also, we have a scholarship program for high school students, who would like to sing in our choir. Questions? ---- talk to our director Doug Klang: 708-945-2188