"That's what friends are for ..." ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

It is SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018

"Blessings and joy to all who enter here ... our "humble temple."

We hope your soul is nourished a bit by being here.

We so much enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit restless and goofy ... we ask you <u>please to respect</u> the sanctity of our worship experience, and the comfort of your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under. Our incredibly festive and highly paid staff is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Wonderful having you here .

announcements? ... kind words? ... good thoughts?

OPENING PRAYER

I so much want and need to reach out.

I see the pictures: crowded highways, lumber covering all the windows, the fear and uncertainty, too much rain and wind.

Oh, I can pray ... but praying doesn't seem like enough.

What's happening is bigger than me ... bigger than all of us.

But ---- what's happening in my own "back-yard" ... my family, my church, my neighborhoodthis isn't so big that I can't make a difference.

All the stuff. All the people. All the moments I take for granted. Help me cherish them.

Help me live with a renewed sense of gratitude and wonder.

My I reach out and give more ---- not just from my abundance, or from what's left-over. Inspire me to give from the very essence and heart of who I am.

It's what you do. You share your son.

May sharing be my blueprint ---- every day and forever. Amen.

opening song
"God of grace, God of glory" 705

the liturgy ... page 147 "This is the feast" page 149

readings for the day
*1st lesson *the psalm *2nd reading
please rise for the gospel ... "alleluia" ... 151

"will my younger friends come forward?"
kids' time
"the gift of friendship"

song "Where cross the crowded ways of life" 719

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory "holy, holy, holy" page 153

choir anthem ... "Amazing Grace" 8:30

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper "Lamb of God" page 154 Communion songs: 778, 781, 785, 793 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song "Crown him many crowns" 855

benediction and three-fold "amen"

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

from Paul and Karen Kruse ... in honor of them being together for 36 years, on September 19.

The eternal light shines brightly this morning ...

*from Paul and Karen Kruse, in honor of 36 years.

*from the Lichter/Kopp family ... in loving memory of Mina Lichter, who died on September 14, 2015 ---- we miss you, Mina!!

THE LOVE BUCKET TODAY IS FOR OUR VETERANS ... we are playing bingo with them later this afternoon. Also, if you would like to donate for the Kaczor family ... you can make a donation today, too.

OUR FIRST MEN'S CLUB OUTREACH BINGO OF THE SEASON

is on Friday ----- 6:30. Lots of fun ... wonderful outreach ... please rsvp today if you are coming.

LOOKING FOR HELP IN THE NURSERY ... if you are junior high or older and love kids ----- then, we need you. Please sign-up today.

Oh, by the way ---- YOU GET PAID.

YOUTH GROUPERS $7^{TH} - 12^{TH}$ OUR IRONS OAKS ADVENTURE CENTER TRIP IS SUNDAY OCTOBER 7 ...

Please make your rsvp today.

HAIRCUTS FOR ST. COLETTA'S ... Monday, September 24 ...

5-7 at Salon Davinci. We could use a few more adults to help welcome them and serve food (you don't have to cut hair!!)

Let one of our staff know if you are available.

**Men's Club on Wednesday ... 7:00 in the kitchen.

- **Stitch and Sew ---- 6:30 on Tuesday.
- **Angels among us ---- 4:00 on Thursday