

“My Lord ... it’s a wonderful morning ...”  
ALL SAINTS LUTHEAN CHURCH “Oasis of Joy” USA

Today is ---- Sunday, September 9, 2018

**A blessed day to all of you ... and welcome to our “humble temple.”**

**We hope your soul is nourished a bit ... being with us today.**

We so much 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. 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. Great having you all here!!

announcements? kind words?

HOW ABOUT A SHOUT-OUT TO THE ST. COLETTA’S CHOIR,  
sharing worship and music with us today!@!!

#### OPENING PRAYER

Lord, help me understand ... and discover ... how close you are to me.  
I sometimes run around, look around ---- almost frantically looking for  
your presence. And there you are:

RIGHT IN FRONT OF MY EYES!! Even inside my eyes, in my heart,  
and in my soul.

In the gentle touch of a friend, in a crowded room.

In a random act of kindness ... from a person I’ve never met.

Yes ---- you are there ... and you are here today.

A cab driver from Nigeria??

The laugh and movements in our buddies from St. Coletta’s??

Open my eyes, Lord, to the “ordinary miracles” around me.

May I always see your footprints --- in my journey, and the journeys  
of those around me.

It’s good to be here. It’s healing ... it brings me hope!

Thanks for walking with me.

Amen.

opening song

“My Lord, what a morning” 438

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

“We never give up”

song

“Just a closer walk” 697

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory

“holy, holy, holy” page 190

choir anthem, with St. Coletta’s ... “Joy of the Lord”

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper

“Lamb of God” page 191

Communion songs: 460, 471, 484, 488, 491

“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

closing song

“Love divine, all loves excelling” 631

benediction and three-fold “amen”

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

from Don and Peggy Merker ... in honor of their 2<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on September 10. Much joy to you!!

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

\*from Wally and Carol Lorenzen, in celebration of Wally's 84<sup>th</sup> birthday.

\*from Sue Murphy in remembrance of all those who gave so much on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

\*from Joanne Triezenberg ... whose brother-in-law Bob Triezenberg died this week.

THE LOVE BUCKET TODAY ... IS FOR THE KACZOR FAMILY.

We have a sheet with their story on the narthex table. Three young boys have lost their parents ... and their extended family needs our help. The Fritz family is at the sign-up table ... as always, we are honored to help another family in need.

OUR FIRST OUTREACH BINGO OF THE SEASON IS COMING UP ...

on Friday, September 21, 6:30. This bingo is to help us in our outreach to our veterans and one of our own families in need. It's a fun evening ... and every bit of money we make goes "out the door" to make a difference in someone else's journey,.

JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG PEOPLE ... we need some help with the nursery during both our services ... and you even get paid!@!!

YOUTH GROUP.....meeting with parents to talk about our year together ---- in the basement. Next "big event" ... an afternoon at Iron Oaks Adventure Center ---- October 7. Please sign-up ... we only need a \$10 deposit.