

“The power of THANK-YOU”
All Saints Lutheran Church “Oasis of Joy” USA

Today is Sunday, November 18, 2018

**Today, as we do every Sunday ---- we worship and say
“thanks” ... we hope your soul is nourished a bit ...
being with us this morning.**

We enjoy very much having kids in church. When they get a bit noisy and restless ... 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 “Lutheran staff” is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. We have some fine coffee awaiting you in Charter Hall.

welcome ----- and ... any kind words???

OPENING PRAYER

The power of “thank-you” ...

It comes in many packages ... right, Lord?

Your son Jesus --- a walking witness to the power of “thank-you.”

Healing, hope, transformation, quiet courage & strength ...

I wonder if I say “thanks” enough ---- probably not.

I know it’s more than a word. It’s a way of life. My eyes, my heart, my speech, my touch ---- they need to reflect a “thanksgiving spirit.” Too often, Lord, I see what is NOT there.

I guess it’s the “half-empty” part of the cup of life. Lord, my life, my cup ---- it’s fuller than I think.

Full of moments and acts of kindness from folks I hardly know ---- who care, and make my life better.

Yes, THANKSGIVING ---- more than a day.

It’s a spirit.

Help me discover and live it.

Amen.

opening song
“Praise and Thanksgiving” 689

the liturgy ... page 147
“This is the feast” page 149

Readings for the day

*1st lesson *the psalm *2nd lesson
please, if able, rise for the gospel
“alleluia” ---- page 151

“will my younger friends come forward?”
kids’ time
“Thankful”

song

“Come, ye thankful people, come” 693

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory

“holy, holy, holy” page 153

choir anthem: “We thank you, Lord” 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper

“Lamb of God” page 154

Spirit songs: 46, 82, 90, 97, 98

“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

closing song

“Precious Lord” 773

benediction and three-fold “amen”

Our altar flowers this morning are in loving memory of JACKSON WILLIAM COLWELL ... we said “good-bye” to 17-month-old Jackson this past Monday here at All Saints. To his parents Joel and Jen and all his family ---- we love you ... we will never forget!!

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

**from Liz and Ken McIntyre ... in loving memory of Ken’s mom – Elaine McIntyre. Your spirit forever lives.*

**in loving memory of Christa Lynn Krasneck ... daughter of Ronald and Joan, and dear friend of Laimdota Ansmits. Her funeral was yesterday in Glen Ellyn, IL.*

THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP, 10:00

We then serve dinner to clients and staff from St. Coletta’s who are not home for the holiday. Hey --- they are home!@!! ... we are “home” to many of them. We are still open to donations of food. Sign-up in narthex. Also, we could use a few more early morning helpers ---- let Don know.

****DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS ---**

Saturday, December 1, 10:00 ---- sign-up if you can help.

****ADVENT WORSHIP AND SUPPERS ...**

December 6, 13, 20 ... supper at 6:30 (around the tree!!), worship at 7:30. You can help “host” one of them ... more important --- come and enjoy!!

****ARTISTS’ FAIRE:** Thursday, December 6 and Sunday, December 9 ----- plenty of room for those of you who want to share your “craft.”

POINSETTIAS ... forms and payment envelopes are available if you’d like to donate one or more ---- \$25. We display them as you order them over the Advent-Christmas season.