

“Thank-you for being MY FRIEND”
All Saints Lutheran Church “Oasis of Joy” USA

Today is ... Sunday, March 24, 2018

**Welcome to our “humble temple” today ... as we
rejoice and celebrate God’s spirit – bringing us together.**

We hope your soul is nourished a bit ... sharing worship here
this morning. We sure do enjoy having kids in church. When
they get 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 Lutheran staff is always anxious
to care for your kids. Please accompany your sons/daughter to
the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants.
We have some fine coffee awaiting you in Charter Hall!!

welcome ... hopefully a kind word or two!!

OPENING PRAYER

I’m weary, Lord. Bone tired.

Do you ever get tired, Lord?? – tired of my whining too
much. Tired of people. Tired of all the “stuff” you don’t want
us to be: like selfish & angry & stingy & too busy & making
divisions and barriers keeping us apart??

Don’t we drive you crazy sometimes?

Why can’t we all just get along? Peace feels so much better
than war and arguing. Coming together is so healing,
fighting is not. Building each other up ... yes!! --- not being
critical and negative.

I’m gonna try, Lord --- to be better, to be nicer ... to walk with
kindness and goodness in my step. I have to. We all have to.

It’s Lent. It’s spring. It’s about “resurrection”
and new life.

It’s who we are ... it’s who we need to be.

Amen.

opening song
“How great thou art” 856

the liturgy ... page 138
“This is the feast” 140

readings for the day
*1st lesson *the psalm *2nd lesson
please rise for the gospel ... “alleluia” ... page 142

“will my younger friends come forward?”
kids’ time
Will you be my friend??

song
“There is a balm in Gilead” 614

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory
“holy, holy, holy” page 144
choir anthem, 11:00 ---- “All Things Bright”

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper
“Lamb of God” page 154
From hymnal: 460, 471, 488, 501
“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

closing song
“Holy, Holy, Holy” 413

benediction and three-fold “amen”

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

“well ----- just because ...”

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

*from Howard and Cindy Kuehn ... in loving memory of Howard’s
brother Dennis Radigan ... who would have turned 69
on March 26.

*from Pat and Gerry Levenda ... in loving memory of Pat’s dad,
Bill McCabe ... who died 25 years ago.

*in loving memory of Gloria Rasmussen ... used to attend here ...
her funeral will be here March 30.

Today: Youth Group and 5th and 6th graders trip to Buddhist
Temple and Pacific Garden Mission.

Tuesday: Stitch and Sew, 6:30

Wednesday: *Bible Study, 7:00 “Do not live afraid”

*Men’s Club, 6:30 at Papa Joe’s

Thursday: *Lenten Supper, 6:30

Evening worship, with Lord’s Supper ... 7:30

NEXT SUNDAY we are going to the Illinois Veterans’ Home in
Manteno --- for bingo and lots of fun. If you’d like to join us,
please sign-up today.

OUR LAST BINGO BEFORE SUMMER ... to support our
veterans --- Friday, April 5 ... please rsvp.

WE HAVE TWO CPR AND AED CLASSES here at our church.

April 29 and May 19 --- Sundays, 1:00. This is so important.

Please begin making your reservations.

EASTER FLOWERS --- tulips, hyacinth, lilies ... forms and payment
envelopes on back table.