

“Fear and Faith ----- it’s part of who we are”
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH “Oasis of Joy” USA

Sunday, March 8, 2020

**Welcome to our “humble temple” ... home of ordinary
folks, extraordinary love ... and YOU!!**

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We
so enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit goofy
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 festive staff is always anxious
to care for your children. Please accompany your son/daughter
to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants.

Some fine coffee (well, in Don’s opinion) awaits you in
Charter Hall ----- great having you here.

welcome ---- any kind words??

OPENING PRAYER

I guess there is a lot to be afraid of, Lord ---- from a virus
we don’t understand ... to those “unexpected happenings”
making our journey so unpredictable. And yet ... for some
strange reason ... inside my soul ... I am not afraid.

Lord --- you help me face the unknown.

You strengthen me in my weakness.

You allow me to doubt ... and yet my doubts don’t
have to consume me.

You grace my humanity with the hidden courage to face
each day ...whatever each day may bring.

The sun has risen.

A new day is here.

And ...as we worship this morning ...
your son rises in my heart, giving me yet another
dash of hope. Amen.

opening song
“Beautiful Savior” 838

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

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

sacrament of baptism hymn 781 (11:00)
We are honored to share in the baptism Noah Scott Abrams,
son of Heather and Justin ... blessings and joy to you!!

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

song
“There is a balm in Gilead” 614

meditation

the creed page 105

offering and offertory
choir anthem, 8:30 “Lamb of God”
“holy, holy, holy” page 144

prayers and sharing the Lord’s Supper
“Lamb of God” page 146
Communion songs (spirit): 7, 8, 14, 26, 37
“alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia”

closing song
“O Savior, precious Savior” 820
benediction and three-fold “amen”

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

*from Joe and Nancy Crowther ... in celebration of their granddaughter Ruby, on her 9th birthday.

Today: Youth group bowling, 1:30 – 4:00

Tuesday: *Stitch and Sew, 6:30

Wednesday: *Bible study, 7:00

Thursday: *Lenten supper, 6:30

*Evening worship, 7:30

ST. PATRICK'S DAY BINGO

Friday, March 20 --- doors open at 6:30. Our monies go to Veterans' bingo in Manteno on April 19. Bingo is a fun adult evening ... please rsvp in the narthex.

PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORM IN THE NARTHEX ... if you are not getting the newsletter via email or by USPS. Also, enter news@allsaintsjoy.com in your contact list.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASS

Sunday, March 29, 12:15 --- for kids 3rd grade and older who are not yet receiving the Lord's Supper. Our first Communion service is Sunday, April 5 at 2:00.

**Today we welcome AMY KOBZA to the Lord's table for the first time they now live in Wisconsin.

EASTER FLOWERS

We enjoy your donations of lilies, hyacinth, and tulips for our Easter worship. Forms are in the narthex. The cost is still \$20. Thanks for sharing.

We are blessed and grateful ... as our spaghetti dinner raised \$23,000 ... for a good cause: "our humble temple."