

"It's a confirmation kind-of day"
ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

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

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today.

We so much enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit 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 son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Wonderful having all of you here.

We are honored to share in the CONFIRMATION of these fine young folks ... welcome to your family and friends.

*Reese Benda Grace Fitzpatrick Morgan Frech Brandon Johnson
Anthony Lizzio Brendan Mackey Richard McPherson Logan Murray
Alexander Nicholson Cooper Reynolds Olivia Rogers
Ben Schieber Kyle Wagner Jake Wolf*

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, sometimes my soul gets a little restless. My soul? ... not even sure what "it" is, at times. The "real" me ... the "essence" of me.

The "me" that supposedly is unique. The "inner me."

I'm often trying to discover who the "real me" is. Too often, Lord, I find myself just reacting to stuff. Deadlines. Time-lines.

Where to be next. Doing what's expected. Being whoever others want me to be. Help me, Lord ... or at least nudge me ---- to be firm and true to myself. I keep coming back to that prayer:

*changing what I can ... accepting what I can't ... the wisdom to
know the difference.*

Peace, Lord ... peace.

From the inside of my being to the outside. The winds of your spirit ... guiding me and inspiring me ... to give each day my "all."

Knowing ... it's not "all" about me.
It's the journey we all share ---- amen.

opening song

"Here I am, Lord" 574

the liturgy ... page 147

"This is the feast" page 149

readings for the day

*Ecclesiastes 3 *Matthew 22. 34-40

"will my younger friends come forward?"

kids' time

"bouncing back"

song

"This is my Father's world" 824

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory

"holy, holy, holy" page 153

choir anthem: "Eagles' wings" 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper

"Lamb of God" page 154

Communion songs: 471, 491, 492, 501

"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION, 11:00

closing song: "Holy, Holy, Holy: 413

Benediction and "three-fold amen"

The beautiful altar flowers this morning are from
Don and family ... in honor of Peggy Sullivan's #60 birthday.

Happy b-day, Peggy!!

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

*from Vern and Mary Ann Bock, in loving memory of her
mom --- Cecilia Pietraszak.

*from Liz McIntyre ... in loving memory of her nephew Andy
Mikal, on the 1st anniversary of his passing.

Monday: Haircuts for St. Coletta's at Salon Davinci ----

thank-you, "Anita and company" ... 5:00 – 7:00

Tuesday: *Stitch and Sew, 6:30

*Church Council, 7:30

Wednesday: "Senior young at hearts" 11:30

(we are cooking for you!!)

Thursday: *Evening worship, 7:30

**YOUTH GROUP EVENT AT IRONS OAKS ADVENTURE
CENTER SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**

Please, please rsvp today ... it's a great team-building
time for our youth group.

THE LOVE BUCKET TODAY ... is to support a struggling small church
over the border in Indiana. Don will explain. Good Shepherd
Lutheran in Frankfort is spear-heading this effort.

THE PRAYER CONNECTION IS VERY IMPORTANT TO US ...
please share your prayer concerns in our "prayer book" ...
on the narthex table. Love and peace to all.