"The gift of love" ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

Sunday, February 17, 2019

Welcome to our humble temple today ... as we rejoice and celebrate the joy of worship.

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

We enjoy very much having kids in church. When they are 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 festive staff is always anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendants. Coffee and hot water for tea are available in Charter Hall. Don makes the coffee ... so, beware!!

welcome ... and kindness and goodness to share??

OPENING PRAYER

It's been "all about love" this week.

Not just "any kind of love" ... but the love, Lord, you share with us. And, from what you share ---- we are empowered to love others: especially those who so freely give and make such a difference in our lives.

I hear the words: love is patient and kind ... love hopes all things and endures all things ...

love never gives up!!

Help me, Lord, embody this kind of love.

I know I'm imperfect. I get tired. I get crabby. I get absolutely self-centered ... have I forgot anything??

Love has such power. A power born of gentleness and kindness. Page of commitment and levelty. Crounded in

kindness. Born of commitment and loyalty. Grounded in your amazing carpenter son.

Feels good just talking to you. Thanks, with love. Amen.

opening song "Love divine, all loves excelling" 631

the liturgy ... page 98 "This is the feast" page 101

readings for the day
*1st lesson *the psalm *2nd lesson
please rise for the gospel ... "alleluia" ... page 102

"will my younger friends come forward?" kids' time (hope this kids' sermon is better than last week ...)

song "'O master, let me walk with you" 818

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory
"holy, holy" page 108
choir anthem, 11:00 "The gift of love"

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper songs (spirit): 14, 18, 26, 37, 53 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song "Rise up, O saints of God" 669

benediction and threefold "amen"

The eternal light shines brightly this morning

from Laura and Kelly Kirchhoff ... in loving memory of GRANDPA TONY.

Today: Youth group bowling ... leaving at 12:30

Monday: Haircuts at Salon Davinci ... for our friends at St. Coletta's ... 5:00 – 7:00.

Tuesday: *Book Club II, 1:00 in Charter Hall.

*Stitch and Sew, 6:30 in Charter Hall.

*Church council, 7:00

Wednesday: *Men's Club, 7:00 (in the kitchen)

Thursday: *Angels among us ... 4:00

*Evening worship ... 7:30

Saturday: Spaghetti dinner, 6:00

Next Sunday: Youth group and St. Coletta's ...

SENIOR YOUNG AT HEARTS ... Wednesday, February 27, 11:30 ----- some of the finest pot-roast you've ever had ... plus music by the "Heavenly Harps" ... please rsvp.

basketball in the gym, 12:30

HAVE YOU DONE YOUR ASH WEDNESDAY SHOPPING YET ?? ... it's coming up March 6!!

SURE CAN USE YOUR HELP ... signing up to share the eternal light and/or the gift of flowers on Sunday... also helping Don serve Communion.

The sign-ups are in the narthex.