A Labor Day kind-of Sunday ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

Sunday, September 1, 2019

Worship at All Saints is a time of joy, reflection, and celebrating the gifts of love and acceptance.

We are honored by your presence. We enjoy having kids in church. When they get a bit noisy and goofy ... we ask that you please 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.

welcome and announcements A warm welcome to my good friend -- Pastor Wayne Basch. He had a wonderful 40-year ministry at Good Shepherd in Palos Heights. We are honored to have him preach today, and quite often he comes here to worship.

OPENING PRAYER

I know there is lots of pain out there. I see it in peoples' eyes ... their faces ... even in the way they walk or don't walk. Life can be hard ... you know this, Lord, more than any of us. And, in our own way ... we know it, too. Lord, help me re-kindle ... in the depths of my soul ... a renewed sense of the gifted-ness of life. The magic of ordinary moments. The joy of the "miracles" around us. So often ... in my haste ... I don't see or notice all you have given me, and what others have shared with me. The kind word. The soft smile. The random acts of goodness I didn't expect. Help me, Lord, be an instrument of goodness and grace. I'm blessed in so many ways. Help me be a blessing unto others ---- amen.

opening song "All are welcome" 641 (vv. 1, 3, 5)

the liturgy page 184 "This is the feast" page 187

readings for the day *1st lesson *the psalm *2nd lesson please rise for the gospel "alleluia" page 188

"will Wayne's younger friends come forward?" kids' time

song "Blest be the tie that binds" 656

meditation

the creed ... page 105

offering and offertory "holy, holy, holy" page 190

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper "Lamb of God" page 191 Communion songs (spirit book) 14, 18, 25, 37 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia" "Go, my children, with my blessing" 543

benediction

three-fold "amen"

We have beautiful altar flowers gracing the church today.

*from Anne Steele, in loving memory of her husband Ed (Mr. Fix-it) ... on his 86th birthday August 30.
The eternal light shines with fire and spirit.
*from Kenn Block ... in loving memory of his wife Janet ... on what would have been their 47th wedding anniversary. There is also an orchid on the altar in her memory. Janet ... you are missed.
*from the All Saints staff, in loving memory of Mr. Fix-it on his birthday August 30 --- wow, we miss you.
NEXT WEEKEND BEGINS OUR "FALL SEASON" ... *Worship at 8:30 and 11:00 ... Adult choir, Sunday

School, and Youth Group Breakfast Club ... 9:45 – 10:45. Registration forms for Sunday School and Youth Group and Confirmation are in narthex.

**YOUTH GROUP has their annual car wash to support Alzheimer's research ---- Sunday the 15th ... all morning.

LAST CALL FOR THE FALL CONTAINER WORKSHOP at Melka's Garden Center. You can sign- up and put down your deposit on the far table.

BINGO IN MEMORY OF VERN BOCK ... Friday, Sept. 20. Doors open at 6:30 ... first call at 7:00. Wear and/or bring some Blackhawks "stuff" if you have it!! RSVP today.

CIVIL WAR BAND ... Sunday, September 29, 2:00 Your support and attendance is appreciated. RSVP in narthex. STITCH AND SEW BEGINS Tuesday, September 10. Every week, 6:30 ---- come and join us!!