"Memories ... loving ... never giving up ..." ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

Sunday, January 26, 2020

Welcome to our "humble temple" home of strong coffee, average preaching, and good ordinary folks!!

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

Welcome --- any kind words out there??

OPENING PRAYER Lord, I sometimes don't know what to "wish" for or "pray" for. It's hard ---- when someone you love doesn't "know you" anymore. It's like --- every time I say "good-bye" ... it feels like a "little hunk" of me dies again. Lord, I'll never give up. I'll never stop going. I'll never stop loving. I know: you hold me up, when my resolve wears thin. You give me hope, when my hope begins to fade. You help me accept "what is" ... even when "what is" hurts like crazy. There is so much in life I don't understand. But I do understand this: YOU WALK WITH ME EVERY DAY. Amen.

opening song "When memory fades" 792

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

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

"will my younger friends come forward?" kids' time "Where have they gone?"

song "Love divine, all loves excelling" 631

meditation

the creed page 105

offering and offertory choir anthem, 8:30 MLK "holy, holy, holy" page 108

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper "Lamb of God" page page 112 Communion songs: 462, 484, 491, 501 "alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song "All hail the power of Jesus' name" 634 benediction and three-fold amen We have beautiful altar flowers gracing our church today.

From the Lewis family – Mike,Sue,Emily,Evan,Hannah, and Grace – and from Don and Peggy ... in loving memory of the Lewis' neighbor and dear friend – Don McCabe – who died this week.

The eternal light shines brightly this morning.

*from Pat Martyn, in loving memory of her brother Tom McDowall and her mother Mel McDowall. *from Mary Ann Bock, in loving memory of her nephew Aron Bock.

Today: *Sunday School staff meeting, 12:15 Monday: *Confirmation class, 7:15 – 8:30 Tuesday: *Stitch and Sew, 6:30 Thursday: *Evening worship, 7:30

OUR ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER IS AROUND THE CORNER: Saturday, February 29, 6:00 Tickets are available in the narthex. We hope you can support this event --- it's our only major fundraiser for the year. Still looking for auction items. We would like to have them to us by February 16 ... or at least let us know by that date. Remember, too, gift cards and bottles of wine are a big hit --- we would like them by February 16, too.

NEXT SUNDAY IS OUR ANNUAL MEETING --- following 2nd service. We need a good turn-out ... nursery is available for kids.