

A LITTLE CHUNK OF LOVE ... on an "ordinary Sunday"
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SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2009

Worship: approximately 8:30 & 10 Thursday evening 7:30

Worship at All Saints is a time of quiet reflection and lots of joy.

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We enjoy having kids in church ... but when they are noisy and restless, we ask you please to respect the quiet and dignity ---- both of our worship experience and your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age five and under ... and 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 staff. Most of all ---- welcome to All Saints ... and some fine coffee awaits you in Charter Hall.

welcome ... with maybe an announcement or two

opening prayer

Lord, I'm thinking about your son this morning ...
ultimate servant ... sandal-man ... gentle man ... good man ...
forgiving presence ... and yet ---- in the midst of all this ---
"he is who he is."

He never asked for privilege ... never asked to be worshipped ... never
tried to start a new religion ... or to forsake the religion he was in.
He just "was."

He came to bring new life into "old wine-skins" ... new meaning, into
laws not making sense ... fresh life, where life seemed to
be fading away.

I can never be like your son. But maybe --- with your nudging and
presence --- I can be more like him. Can you help me "embody
goodness" ??? ... witness to the power of an open-giving heart??? ...
be more decent and kind in the moments of my life???

I don't understand what's going on in the world ---- it's too fast, often
too violent, way too selfish. But ... this is our world together ... it's all
we have. I need to live and cherish and say "thanks" for whatever
time I have left.

Lord ---- thanks for all you are, all you do, for the love you share.
It means so much ---- amen.

opening song

"Praise and Thanksgiving" 409

the liturgy ... page 57

readings for the day

"will my younger friends come forward???" ... kids' time

song

"God of grace, and God of glory" 415

meditation

the creed ... page 65

offering and offertory

prayers and sharing the Lord's supper

Communion songs from spirit book: 97, 82, 46

"alleluia, he's my savor, alleluia"

closing song

"Lift High the Cross" 377

benediction and 3-fold "amen"

We have beautiful altar flowers this morning ...

*in honor of Gladys Gunnerson's 84th birthday ... "from all
of her kids" ---- happy b-day, Gladys ... you are an inspiration
for all of us!!*

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

*from the Pierz family, in honor of and in memory of AL PIERZ, on the 9th anniversary of his death ... he would be 60 year old!!

*from the Janik family, in loving memory of Kathy's mom ---
Marlene Jensen.

*from the Svehla family, in memory of the legendary Michael Jackson.

*from Randy & Jan Mitchell, in honor of Kevin Mitchell's 14th birthday ...
and in loving memory of their dads ----
Randall Mitchell and Charles Singelman.

A FEW HAPPENINGS IN AND AROUND "the humble temple"

Today: Finance Committee, 11:00 am

Tuesday: *Fun-fest, 5:30

*Church Council, 7:30 (conference room)

Wednesday: *Senior young at hearts, 11:30 ---- we are cookin' for you!! ...
accordion player Eddie Jarosa is the entertainment ... now, this is something
you don't get "down the block."

Thursday: evening worship, 7:30

NEXT SATURDAY ... THE STEAK FRY ...

LAST CALL FOR TICKETS ... \$20. Remember ... don't let the \$20 price-tag keep you away. Pay whatever you can ... it's a great adult evening ... good food and drink ... and a time of prayer and remembrance, as we remember those who have died from cancer, and those who are living with cancer.

MEN'S CLUB SPONSORED GOLF OUTING ... Sunday, August 16, with times beginning at 11:00. Registration forms and sponsor letters and on the far table.

*LOOKING AHEAD ... Youth car wash and church picnic ---
Sunday, August 30*

OUR HUMBLE YET FESTIVE STAFF

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Linda McAley, custodian Ed Steele, Mr. Fix-it

Kathy Klang, comptroller Mike Hefter, organist

Craig Nelson, pastoral support Mark Nussle, choir director