

**A DAY OF CELEBRATION AND GOODNESS**

**in a humble place**

**All Saints Lutheran Church “Oasis of Joy” USA**

**Don Borling, Pastor 708-48-2939**

**IT IS SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2009**

**approximately 9:30 am**

**Worship at All Saitns is laced with love, joy, & quiet reverence.**

*We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We enjoy having kids in church ...but when they are noisy & restless ... we ask you please TO RESPECT the quiet & dignity --- both of our worship experience and your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under ... and our highly paid-good-looking-over-achieving-and-moderately-festive staff is anxious to care for your kids. Please accompany your child to the nursery and introduce yourself to the attendant. Most of all --- welcome. A special welcome to the members and families of the Orland-Palos REBER-TESMOND POST 2604 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and also to representatives of the U.S. Navy --- who are sharing a flag presentation this morning. Cake, coffee, and champagne in Charter Hall after worship!!*

*welcome and announcements*

*Post of the colors & Pledge of Allegiance*

**CALL TO WORSHIP: “Evening Hour”**

**Prayer**

Today is a day of goodness and celebration ... a goodness of spirit, at the very heart-and-soul of this humble place. It's the spirit fueling the courage of those for whom freedom is never taken for granted. We know, Lord, our country is not without blemish. Often ... hatred and prejudice cloud our journey ... the invitation of our Statue of Liberty can get lost when our dreams become selfish.

But we know: our country is a beacon of hope and new life. Our men and women in uniform ... our veterans, in whom patriotism and pride run deep ... those who have sacrificed life and comfort, so we can

roam free----- may they never be forgotten ... may we always honor them and stand by them.

I like this place. I like the people --- the simplicity, the grace. May our church --- in the midst of all our humanity and limitations --- always be “the body of Christ.” A body of love, a body of goodness, a body with a softness-yet-firmness of heart and soul. For this moment ... for this time together ... for all of us gathered ... Thanks ... and “amen.”

***The “Gettysburg Address”***

***opening song: “God of our Fathers” 567***

**\*A collection of writings from Thomas Jefferson**

**\*Poem: “Abraham Lincoln walks at midnight”**

**FLAG PRESENTATION**

*In honor of David Burns ... father of Greg Burns.*

*David is a Navy World War II veteran.*

**“will my younger friends come forward?” ... kids' time**

**song: “Battle hymn of the Republic” 332**

**meditation**

**the creed**

**offering and offertory**

**“We shall be free”**

**Prayers and Lord's Prayer**

***“On a note of triumph” ... Norman Corwin***

**closing song**

**“My country 'tis of Thee” 566**

**benediction, followed by procession to the flag**

## **A FEW HUMBLE HAPPENINGS**

**WE have beautiful altar flowers this morning.**

*\*from Paquito Yu & the St. Coletta's consumers, in honor of Don's  
35 years at All Saints.*

*\*from Troy, Mary Ann, & Laurel Keeping, in honor of Don's #35.*

*\*from Bill & Kate Colgan ... in loving memory of all family  
members who have "gone before us."*

**The eternal light burns brightly today.**

*\*from the All Saints staff ... for all the friendship, love, and joy  
Don brings to us.*

*\*in loving memory of Josephine Wercial, from her loving family.*

*\*in loving memory of "Muddy Lewis," from Debbie & Alan Facius.*

**THANKS TO ALL FOR THE FLOWERS AND LIGHT!!**

**\*Tuesday ---- Thunderbolts game with our friends from St.  
Coletta's ... game is at 7:00 ... we may have a few spots left.**

*OUR NEXT FUN-FEST IS Tuesday, July 14, 5:30 -----*

*Please sign-up if you can join us!!*

**\*Thursday --- evening worship (with Communion), 7:30**

**STEAK FRY.....it'll be a hoooooot!!**

**A great adult evening ... please buy your tickets today.**

**SATURDAY, JULY 25, 6:30.**

**MEN'S CLUB SPONSORED GOLF OUTING ...**

**all are welcome. Registration forms and sponsor forms  
are on the far table ----- SUNDAY, AUGUST 16.**

**Our humble yet festive staff**

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Ed Steele, Mr. Fix-it Kathy Klang, comptroller

Mike Hefter, organist Linda McAley, custodian

Mark Nussle, choir director Craig Nelson, pastoral support