

***SOMETIMES ... IN THE MIDDLE OF THE DAY ... YOU JUST GOTTA SIT BACK ... AND LET THE SPIRIT SPEAK TO YOU.***

*This is one of those days!!*

**ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "OASIS OF JOY" USA  
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**Worship today --- 8:30 & 11 Thursday evening --- 7:30**

**Sunday School & Breakfast Club, 9:45 Choir, 9:30**

*All Saints Sunday ... November 1, 2009*

**Worship here is fun, quiet, dignified, joyous ...we hope!!**

*Welcome to our humble temple. We enjoy having kids in church ... but when they are noisy and disruptive ... PLEASE RESPECT the quiet and dignity ---- both of our worship experience, and your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 & under ... and our moderately festive, highly paid, and good-looking staff loves to watch your kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery, and introduce yourself to the attendant. Most of all ---- we're glad you are here. "Heavenly coffee" awaits you in Charter Hall.*

*welcome ... an announcement or two ...*

***opening prayer***

I'm lighting a candle today ... just sitting here, watching it burn.  
I look through the flame ... I can see the faces of those who have pushed me, guided me, and inspired me ----- along my often-twisted path: called "my life."

I see the face of a friend who betrayed me.

I see the face of a person I've hurt.

The flame reminds me ---- there is always hope, in the darkest and most barren of days. I know the fire won't last forever ..... it goes out, needs to be re-lit. The candle gets shorter, just like life.

I know, Lord ... all I have is the "moment." Help me live it, with courage and grace. Help me "cast to the winds" all the GUNK that doesn't matter ... the wasted energy of trying to please everyone, at the expense of the truth ... the times when guilt & blame & anger & jealousy cloud the beauty and goodness you give to each of us.

This is a precious little place, Lord.  
Laced with history, coated with journeys of laughter and tears ... and, most of all ----- grounded in a humble carpenter whom you call "your son." It's good ... yes, it is ----- amen.

***"the saints"***

***opening song***

***"Help us accept each other" 56 (spirit)***

***the liturgy ... page 78***

***readings for the day***

***"will my younger twits (saints) come forward?" kids' time***

***song***

***"Beautiful Savior" 518***

***mediation***

***the creed ... page 85***

***offering and choir anthem ----- "Here I am, Lord"***

***"the saints"***

***prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper***

***Communion songs from blue book: 737, 718, 741***

***"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"***

***closing song***

***"For all the saints" 174***

***benediction and "3-fold amen"***

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

\*from Jim and Jamie Bailey, in honor of their 15<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Happy anniversary to you!!

\*from Debbie Ferrero ... HAPPY ALL SAINTS DAY!!

*The eternal light shines brightly this morning ...*

\*from Randy & Jan Mitchell, in honor of their grandson Derek Mitchell's 17<sup>th</sup> birthday.

\*from Bob and Joanne Gename, in loving memory of Joanne's dad ---- Joseph Dukendorf.

\*from June Ryl-Kuchar, in loving memory of her husband Bill's birthday.

THANKS to all for the gift of flowers and light.

**A FEW HAPENINGS AROUND THE HUMBLE TEMPLE**

Today: Pot-luck ... gather at 4:00 ... we serve at 5:00

Monday: Confirmation class, 7:15 – 8:30

Thursday: Evening worship, with Communion --- 7:30

Next Sunday ----- Bears Tailgate ... after worship

**OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES**

\*Bingo at Veterans' Home (Manteno) ... we need a few more volunteers to come with men's club ... 11:30 at church.

\*Wreaths across America ... sponsoring a wreath to be put on a veteran's grave-site ... information on sign-up table.

\*Thanks to all for your support of Ronald McDonald House.

\***YOUTH GROUP LOCK-IN NEXT FRIDAY ... rsvp today.**

\***TEAM CONNECT TODAY ... meet in kitchen.**

\***SUPPORT OUR HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIRE ... a chance to share your "artistic side" ... forms in narthex.**

**OUR HUMBLE YET FESTIVE STAFF**

\*Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Craig Nelson, pastoral support Linda McAley, custodian

Mike Hefter, organist Mark Nussle, choir director

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