

The “circle of life” continues at least for one more day ...
the circle begins and ends with LOVE!!
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Sunday School & Youth Breakfast Club, 9:45 Adult Choir, 9:30

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2009

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

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We enjoy having kids in church ... but when they are noisy and disruptive ... 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 5 and under ... and our highly paid and moderately festive staff is always anxious to care for your children. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery and introduce yourself to the attendant. Welcome to our “humble temple” ... coffee that will keep you awake ‘til Tuesday awaits you in Charter Hall.

welcome ... with an announcement or two

opening prayer

Common ground ... sacred ground ... coming together.
Lord ... I’m so often overcome with all the “NEEDS” there are in the world. From the homeless to the hopeless ... waiting rooms and long lines at the clinic ... unemployment lines, and even some of our veterans struggling to get what they so rightly deserve.
Why can’t we come together? ... find common ground? ... and work ---- in a spirit of decency and peace ---- to help solve the problems of the world???

We are so ready to disagree ... so ready to fight ... so ready find what’s wrong in what others say or stand for ... and it seems like *decency-goodness-and-oneness-of-spirit* doesn’t count for much anymore. I hope I’m wrong. I don’t want it to be this way. I want to see and feel more love in the world.

I want there to be more common ground.
Coming together ... accepting our differences ---- working with them, even enjoying them ... loving each other in the midst of them.

We can only hope.

And pray.

And then --- hope some more. Amen.

opening song

“Abide with me” 272

the liturgy ... page 78

readings for the day

sacrament of baptism hymn 474 (11:00)

This morning we share in the baptism of William Michael Friedl, son of Kathleen and William. Blessings to you and your family!!

“will my younger friends come forward?” ... kids’ time
(*are you waiting on the world to change???*)

song

“You servants of God” 252

meditation

the creed ... page 85

offering and offertory

choir anthem, 11:00 ---- “We shall walk through the valley”

prayers and sharing the Lord’ Supper
Communion songs (blue) – 701, 778, 706
“*alleluia, he’s my savior, alleluia*”

closing song

“My country ‘tis of Thee” 566

benediction and 3-fold “amen”

Our beautiful altar flowers this morning *are from the Friedl and McAley families --- in honor of the baptism of William Michael.*

Thanks for sharing this gift with us today.

The eternal light shines brightly today ... **from Lynne and Gaylord Nelson, in honor of Jacob's & Spencer's 13th birthday ... *and from Thom & Linda Meehan, in loving memory of Bud & Alice Minde ... *and from the Kuehn family, in honor of Cindy's 50th birthday.*

Thanks to all for the GIFT OF LIGHT.

A few happenings in & around the "humble temple"

MONDAY: *Bingo for our veterans ... have your desserts here by 10:30 ... and thanks so much for sharing!*

****CONFIRMATION CLASS, 7:15 – 8:30**

TUESDAY: *Church council, 7:30*

WEDNESDAY: *Bible study, 7:00 (Book of Acts)*

THURSDAY: *Stewardship discussion, 6:00 ---- if you would like to join us ... please meet in the conference room.*

We have 2 yoga classes during the week ----

6:00 on Monday ... 7:00 on Wednesday.

NEXT SUNDAY *is the "Thanksgiving Feast" during Sunday School ... for the Sunday School, served by the youth group.*

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP ... *Nov. 26, 10:00 ... then we serve a nice dinner to our friends from St. Coletta's ... please sign-up if you are willing to bring a dish --- ready to serve!!*

YOU CAN BEGIN ADOPTING *kids and adults for our holiday outreach ... please read the instructions carefully. Also, we appreciate those who are able to make cash/check donations via the "love bucket." As of now, we are helping 30+ families.*

Saturday, Nov. 28, noon ... we decorate the church.

Come and enjoy the spirit ... rsvp in the narthex.

our humble and always festive staff

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Mark Nussle, choir director Mike Hefter, organist

Craig Nelson, pastoral support Linda McAley, custodian

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