

A smidgen of love ... a dose of hope ---- it goes a long way!!

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Worship 8:30 & 11 Thursday evenings 7:30

Sunday School & Breakfast Club & Adult Choir 9:45

SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2010

*It's a good day to be here ... love, hope, gentleness, joy ...*

*We hope your soul is nourished, being here 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 your neighbor and our worship experience. 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 kids. Please accompany your son/daughter to the nursery and introduce yourself to the attendant. Most of all ---- WELCOME TO OUR HUMBLE PLACE ... "coffee of a lifetime" awaits you in Charter Hall.*

welcome ... maybe an announcement or two

opening prayer

I realize, Lord ... I take so much ... so many ... lots of moments and people for granted. From the landscaper to the butcher .... from my friends and family to all those who reach out to me ----- so often I just assume they will always be there. And ... most of the time ... they are.

When was the last time I said "thanks"??? ... or said a little prayer? ... a pat on the back? ... a generous tip? ... an unexpected gift? ... or just a random act of kindness in return? I know I say ---- "angels come in all shapes and sizes" ... but do I really mean it? When was the last time I was accused of "being an angel?" or said "thanks" to an angel? ... or even showed how grateful I am to you, Lord???

Life is nuts. Life can be out-of-control, harsh, unpredictable, making no sense. But then ... there are moments like "now" ----- reminders of quiet goodness and grace, grounded in the gentle power of your spirit.

There are so many "humble people" out there ... people who aren't "full of themselves" ----- who reach out into the darkness.

Through them ---- the "light of love" gets turned-on, and I am reminded of where true power is. Spiritual power. It's out there ---in you, Lord. It's in here ----- inside each one of us. And when all this collides: GOODNESS ABOUNDING ... I love it ---- amen.

opening song

"Rise up, O saints of God" 383 (green)

the liturgy ... page 78

Readings for the day

"will my younger friends come forward?"

kids' time

song

"Precious Lord" 731 (blue)

meditation

song

"O God, our help in ages past" 320 (green)

the creed

offering and offertory

prayers and Lord's prayer

closing song

"Holy, Holy, Holy" 165 (green)

Benediction and 3-fold "amen"

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We have beautiful altar flowers this morning ...

*\*from Rich and Jane Ford ... in honor of their niece Samantha's college graduation ----- congratulations, Samantha!@!*

The eternal light shines brightly ...

*\*from Chris and Betty Seth ... in honor of their anniversary today!!*

## A FEW HAPPENINGS IN THE HUMBLE TEMPLE

**SENIOR YOUNG AT HEARTS LUNCH** on Wednesday, 11:30. Please rsvp today. Does anyone need a ride??? ... please let us know. We have folks who are willing to take you and get you home!@!!

**EVENING WORSHIP AND THE LORD'S SUPPER ...**  
every Thursday at 7:30 ... soon we'll be outside.

**LAST CALL FOR OUR WONDERFUL WEEK BEFORE MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON ... 12:30, May 2.**

Please purchase your tickets at the far table. The men's club really treats you right!! Prizes, pictures, laughter .... "lots of love" ...

**FRIDAY, MAY 14 IS LADIES' NITE OUT ...**

Tickets are available today. Treat yourself to a wonderful evening.

**"Uncle Wayne and the youth group" Sunday breakfast today ...**  
between services ... enjoy!!

**TAKE A WALK OUT BACK ...** we are putting together a spring brick order. Order forms and on the sign-up table. We have 2 new areas in the southwest corner ----- one for memorial bricks and another dedicated to veterans and men and women serving in the military. If you have any question, please let one of our staff folks know.

**MOTHERS' DAY ... MAY 9 ... our annual hanging plant sale,** sponsored by our friends at Every Bloomin' Thing ... helping to support our youth group.

There will also be gift certificates available.

**COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE, Saturday, May 15 ...** here at the church.

Please sign-up if you are able to donate.

### **OUR HUMBLE AND FESTIVE STAFF**

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Mike Hefter, organist Kathy Klang, comptroller

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

Kathy Ruitter, Sunday School Superintendent

Mark Nussle, choir director Craig Nelson, pastoral support

**\*\*54 days 'til the garage sale .... are you excited???**\*\*