

**A DAY OF LOVE AND GOODNESS**  
**All Saints Lutheran Church "Oasis of Joy" USA**  
**13350 LaGrange Road Orland Park, IL 60462**  
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**Worship 8:30 & 11 Thursday evenings 7:30**  
**Sunday School & Breakfast Club, 9:45 Adult Choir, 9:30**

**A good day to be here: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010**

**Worship here is a time of hope, joy, and quiet reflection.**

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us this morning. 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 service and your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under ... and our moderately festive, highly paid, and over-achieving 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 temple. Coffee laced with love awaits you in Charter Hall.

**welcome and "call to worship"**

**opening prayer**

So, I'm thinking to myself ... Lord, I'm forgetting how to LAUGH!!  
Life seems so serious ... and, of course, it is. Life seems like a struggle ...  
and, so often, it is. I limp ... I feel the pain ... I worry:

I know ---- this is all a part of life.

But, Lord ---- I need a good, big, down-deep, from the insides ...

I need a good soul-inspiring laugh (whatever that is!!).

*a healing laugh*

*an "alleluia" laugh*

*a "from the heavens" laugh*

I sometimes forget, Lord ... there can be a fine line between laughter and tears, between joy and sadness, between victory and defeat. I know it's all the "in-betweens" making us human & real & who we are. In the midst of all going on around us ... I want to discover --- maybe re-discover --- the power of JOY.

*the raw joy of your creation, Lord*

*the joy of simple moments, along the way*

*the joy of being kind & generous & gracious unto others*

*the joy of being who I am --- unique, for sure ... your child, always.*  
I come here this morning ... to taste of your spirit, to enjoy the music of your presence ... and TO LAUGH at some of the silly-ness life often throws our way. It's all about love ... it's all of us together ...  
and sometimes it all makes me laugh ----- amen.

**opening song**

"Love divine, all loves excelling" 315

**the liturgy ... page 57 (1<sup>st</sup> setting)**

**readings for the day**

*\*1 Corinthians 13. \*reading from Mattie Stepanek*

*(please rise for the Gospel)*

*John 15. 9 - 17*

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

**song**

"The gift of love" 25 (spirit)

**meditation**

**song**

*"Have no fear, little flock" 476*

**the creed ... page 65**

**offering and offertory**

*choir anthem, 8:30 ... "Can you feel the love?"*

**prayers and Lord's prayer**

**closing song**

"Crown him with many crowns" 170

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

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

\*from Karen Weyer, in honor of her brother Dan's birthday and all the love here at All Saints.

\*from Scott Damiani, in loving memory of Joan Damiani, who died this week.

**The eternal light shines brightly today ...**

\*from the Kirchoff family, in loving memory of Grandpa Tony.

\*from the Dooley family ... praying for Melody, who is having surgery for thyroid cancer tomorrow.

THANKS FOR ALL FOR THE gifts of flowers and light!

**A FEW REMINDERS AROUND THE HUMBLE TEMPLE**

**\*\*YOUTH BAKE SALE TODAY ... thanks for your support.**

**\*\*THANKS FOR THE SPECIAL MUSIC TODAY ---- the choir, Kathy Janik, and our Sunday School kids.**

**Ash Wednesday this week ... worship, noon & 7:30**

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY ... the four Wednesdays (7:00)**

*after Lent ... rsvp in the narthex.*

**LENTEN SUPPERS ... the four Thursdays after Lent. Please sign-up ... we will not have them unless there is a good response.**

**ARE YOU THINKING SPAGHETTI?**

*Almost "last call" for tickets. Also, let us know if you have auction items.*

*Gentlemen --- let us know if you'd like to be a waiter.*

**PICTURE DIRECTORY ... picture taking begins next Sunday. This is sponsored by our youth group.**

**NEXT SENIOR LUNCHEON ... Wednesday, Feb. 24 (rsvp today)**

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS ... Sunday, March 28, noon .... for kids 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or older, and parents ...**

**our humble, loving, and festive staff**

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Mike Hefter, organist    Linda McAley, custodian

Ed Steele, Mr. Fix-it    Craig Nelson, pastoral support

Kathy Klang, comptroller    Mark Nussle, choir director

Kathy Ruitter, Sunday School Supt.