

"My Lord, what a morning ... wow, what a WINTER SO FAR!!"

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH "Oasis of Joy" USA

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Worship 8:30 & 11 Thursday evenings 7:30
Sunday School & Breakfast Club, 9:45 Adult Choir, 9:30

IT IS SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2010

(our last Sunday with our beautiful tree)

Worship at All Saints is a moment laced with quiet and joy.

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We enjoy having kids in church ... but ... when they get goofy, 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 and under. Our moderately festive, highly paid, good-looking, 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 staff. Most of all --- welcome to our "humble temple" ... the coffee of your dreams awaits you in Charter Hall.

welcome ... maybe an announcement or two

opening prayer

My bones ache ... my spirit hurts ... my soul is wrinkled.

Why is it, Lord??? ... that so much about LIFE is what's wrong??

What's wrong with our heroes ... what's wrong with those who don't agree with us ... what's wrong with the "other party" ... what's wrong with those who are different. Lord, I seem to babble-on about the obvious ... yet you are the one who is "all-knowing."

Well, Lord ---- I do know this ... or maybe you can help me know this:

You said ... in the beginning ... "IT IS GOOD."

Well ... it is good.

Life ... in its innocence ... is good.

Life ... at its core ... is good.

We humans ... when surrounded by love and goodness ... are good.

Our journeys ... even the painful parts ... when grounded in decency and forgiveness ----- are good.

There is lots of goodness around us. Often buried. Many times over-looked. But GOODNESS is here in the world, and I want so much to be a part of it. Thanks for all your gifts, Lord ... especially your carpenter son. HE IS GOOD. Forever ... our savior and our friend --- amen.

opening song

"We three kings of orient are" 646 (blue)

the liturgy ... page 78

readings for the day

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

song

"We are marching in the light of God" 650 (blue)

meditation

the creed ... page 85

offering and offertory

(Choir anthem ... "Time for singing has come" --- 11:00)

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper

*Communion songs from spirit book: 25, 26, 27 (sing thru twice), 65
"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"*

closing song

"O come all ye faithful" 45

benediction and 3-fold "amen"

The eternal light shines brightly this morning ...

from Mary Stancik, in loving memory of her husband Ed ... on the 9th anniversary of his death. May God bless his memory.

The altar flowers today are in loving memory of Charlie Samec. Charlie's funeral is here tomorrow at noon. There is a visitation from 10 'til time of the funeral. Our prayers to his wife Geri and his wonderful family.

A BIT OF LOVE IN A HUMBLE PLACE

**Monday ---- funeral for Charles Samec, Noon.*

CONFIRMATION CLASS, 7:15 – 8:30

**Thursday ---- Evening worship & Lord's Supper, 7:30*

Yoga here twice a week ----- 6:00 on Monday, 7:00 on Wednesday ...

new students always welcome ... meeting in the gym.

OUR NEXT BINGO IS FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 6:30 ... WITH ALL PROCEEDS

*going to our men's club outreach ... please make
your rsvp's today.*

YOUTH GROUP

**quick breakfast, then off to Sunrise between services.*

**BOWLING on January 24, after church ... please sign-up.*

ADULT BOWLING ... Sunday, January 31 ... 4-7 ...

tickets are available today ... \$20/person.

SPAGHETTI DINNER, SATURDAY, FEB. 27.

Our economic stimulus program inspired us to bring the ticket price down to \$20.

Remember, too, the auction ----- we need "stuff" and services and tickets and coupons ... anything you think worthy of a Lutheran auction.

WE ARE SO GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR MINISTRY.

*Commitment forms are by the Love Bucket ... and offering envelopes are just outside
the gym. If you'd like envelopes ... just fill out the form, and they
will be there next week.*

**OUR PRAYER BOOK is in the narthex please share any requests you have,
and we will mention them during our prayers in worship.**

our humble, festive, and loving staff

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik --- office administrators

Kathy Ruitter, Sunday School Superintendent

Mark Nussle, choir director Craig Nelson, pastoral support

Kathy Klang, comptroller Mike Hefter, organist

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