

MEMORIES AND SPIRITS: Memorial Day weekend
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Worship 8:30 & 10 Thursday evenings 7:30

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Worship at All Saints is all about love, joy, and peace.

We do enjoy having kids in church ... but when they are goofy and noisy, we ask you PLEASE TO RESPECT what worship is all about and, of course, your neighbor. We have a fine nursery for kids age 5 and under ... and our moderately festive & highly paid 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 ALL SAINTS ... some very special "holiday coffee" awaits you in Charter Hall.

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING PRAYER

I know, Lord ... the world is crazy and chaotic. In the midst of this ----- I often get lost ... spiritually, emotionally, sometimes totally. But for a moment this morning ... IT IS ABOUT LOVE AND PEACE.

Soldiers and flowers, the religious and not-so-religious ... all joining together in this human-casserole called "life."

I don't care about labels, Lord ... I just care about life.

The young marine in Iraq.

The lonely World War II veteran, wondering if people still care & remember.

All the names on the white grave stones: Arlington, Normandy, Elwood, Illinois. An aging hero in Manteno ... a young father, who won't see his daughter grow up. The price of freedom. The meaning of sacrifice.

Giving unto others ... that our flag can wave proud and true.

Lord, you bless us everyday ----- with your spirit, your love, your invisible-yet-ever-present ways. Help me always to look at my life ... my cup ... all I've been given ... and rejoice in the "FULL PART" ... the "fun part" ...

"the good part." This morning is the "good part" ... the "sacred part" ...

I'm glad I'm here ---- amen.

OPENING SONG

"My County 'tis of Thee" 566

THE LITURGY ... PAGE 78

READINGS FOR THE DAY

"Will my younger friends come forward???"

KIDS' TIME!!

(Thank-you veterans and all those currently serving ...

"America the Beautiful")

MEDITATION

THE CREED ... PAGE 85

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

PRAYERS AND REMEMBERING

SHARING THE LORD'S SUPPER

(songs from blue book ----- 779, 740 (sing 4x), 778

"Ave Maria")

CLOSING SONG

"Battle Hymn" 332

BENEDICTION AND 3-FOLD AMEN

RECESSIONAL ... "America" (Mike)

After the 2nd service those who would like ...are welcome to process with us to the new area dedicated to our service men and women. Jim Bailey ... from the Chicago Police Dept., will lead us ... in memory of his "fallen comrade" ---- TOM WORTHAM. Tom is a Chicago police officer, and served two tours of duty in Iraq ... his funeral was Friday.

THE ETERNAL LIGHT SHINES BRIGHTLY TODAY ...

**from the Kirchhoff family, in honor of Kyle's high school graduation, and in loving memory of Grandma Audrey.*

**from the Nelson family, in honor of Alex's high school graduation.
Thanks for sharing the gift of light!!*

We are honored today to dedicate our new outdoor area in loving memory of JIM AND ELLIE MELKA ----- Jim Melka's parents.

Their love for our country and men and women in uniform runs deep ... and special thanks to Jim, Nancy, Jim, and Lauren Melka & many co-workers ... who have done so much to make our outdoor dedication and worship space the beautiful and peaceful place it is today.

High school graduates ---- scholarship forms are available!!

We would like them back by June 20 ----- thanks.

THE GARAGE SALE "is in the aire" ... you can feel it, smell it, and just plain love it!@!! Sign-ups to help ... helpful hints ... see the back table. Also, bring your treasures as soon as possible ... please call first!!

FUN-FESTS BEGIN JUNE 15 5:30 – 7:30.

It really helps if you sign-up ... just in case we have to cancel because of bad weather or excessive heat.

THE LOVE BUCKET FOR THE NEXT COUPLE WEEKS

is dedicated to our confirmation camp scholarship fund ... to help our families pay the cost of the camp ... where there is a need. Thanks for sharing.

(Checks payable to the church ... or CASH IS ALWAYS GOOD.)

WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SMALL WORKING COMMITTEE

to discuss ways we can further our OUTREACH ---- both to our members, and to the wider community. There is a sign-up on the narthex table.

OUR HUMBLE LOVING STAFF

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

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

Kathy Klang, comptroller Mike Hefter, organist

Kathy Ruitter, Sunday School Superintendent

Mark Nussle, choir director Craig Nelson, pastoral support