

It's a "MAMA" kind-of day ... in a humble place
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Worship 8:30 & 11 Thursday evenings 7:30
Sunday School & Breakfast Club & Adult Choir 9:45

TODAY IS MOTHER'S DAY
Sunday, May 9, 2010

It's good to be here ... for a bit of quiet and celebration.

We hope your soul is nourished, being with us today. We do enjoy having kids in church ... but when they are noisy and restless ... 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 moderately festive, highly paid, good-looking, & 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. We have some fine Mother's Day coffee for you in Charter Hall.

welcome ... with an announcement or two

**Special thanks to the Buikema's and Every Bloomin' Thing for the plant sale today ... in support of the youth of our church. Thanks to you ---- it's an extra beautiful day at all Saints.*

opening prayer

You're kind-of like a "mom," aren't you, Lord?? You nurture. You love. You care. You protect. What you do for us ----- it's unconditional, it's free ... but not without price. You gave it all ... you give it all ---- your son, your life, your essence, your spirit. Lord ----- I want my own giving to be a bit more "reckless." Too often I hesitate in my giving unto others. I guess I look for guarantees, for recognition ... being afraid to let go of what I have. I'm sorry for holding back ... when so many out there need support.

They need something ---- from me, from our world, from those of us to have SOMETHING TO SHARE.

I need to love, Lord, with a mama-like abandon.

With spirit. With a smile. With a skip in my steps.

Yes ----- there is a lot "wrong out there" ... there's lots of reasons to be selfish and cynical. But, Lord ... *I don't want to ride on that train!!*
My train will be one of goodness and grace ... one of reaching-out and reaching-in. To share what I have ... to give of myself ... that the world may know the power of love ----- grounded in you, made manifest in all of us amen.

opening song

"Love divine, all loves excelling" 315

the liturgy ... page 78

readings for the day

"will my younger friends come forward?"

kids' time

song

"Be thou my vision" 776 (blue)

meditation

the creed ... page 85

offering and offertory

choir anthem ... "Precious Lord" 11:00

prayers and sharing the Lord's Supper

Communion songs: 197, 203, 205, 212

"alleluia, he's my savior, alleluia"

closing song

"Borning Cry" 770 (blue)

benediction and 3-fold "amen"

***THANKS TO THE MEN'S CLUB (Fred's Uncles) ... for the gifts given to our ladies today.*

Last confirmation class tomorrow ... 7:15 – 8:30 (so sad!!)

We have beautiful flowers gracing our church today ...

*from Jan & Randy Mitchell, in loving memory of Evelyn Singelman ... and in honor of
Jan & Randy's 50th wedding anniversary.

*from Nick & Kelly Campanile, in celebration of A.J.'s # 1 birthday.

The eternal light shines brightly today ...

*from Doris Kunz, in loving memory of her daughter Gail.

*from Jan & Randy Mitchell ... in honor of their grandson – Mitchell Keim –
becoming an Eagle Scout.

Thanks to all for sharing the gifts of flowers and light.

A FEW HUMBLE HAPPENINGS

**Tuesday evening ... Book Club, 7:00

**Yoga --- Monday at 5:30, Wednesday at 7:00

**Thursday evening worship ----- 7:30 (with the Lord's Supper)

LADIES' NITE OUT ... FRIDAY ...

Last call for tickets ... also, see what's available on the fliers all around ---
a great evening!!

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE ON SATURDAY, MAY 15.

LAST CALL FOR OUR SPRING BRICK ORDER ...

Let us know if you have any questions regarding the order forms.

WHY ARE THE YOUTH OF OUR CHURCH SO KOOL???

It starts with each of you ... your openness and spirit. Of course, there's some
amazing Sunday School teachers and helpers ... who instill seeds of love every
Sunday morning. Would you like to join our team???? ... there is a sign-up in the
narthex ... or give our superintendent Kathy Ruitter a call ---

708-218-1127. It's fun to make a difference.

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND ... SUNDAY, MAY 30 ...

We are remembering our veterans ... those serving in the military ...
those who have "gone before us."

what a festive and loving staff

Debbie Facius and Kathy Janik, office administrators

Kathy Ruitter, Sunday School Superintendant

Mark Nussle, choir director Ed Steele, Mr. Fix-it

Craig Nelson, pastoral support Mike Heffer, organist

Kathy Klang, comptroller Linda McAley, custodian