

A few notes ... humble thoughts ... a dash of love and hope
IT IS SEPTEMBER ... 2009 ... (and this newsletter is late!@!!)
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"I wish I could wave a magic wand and bring her back ...
SHE IS SO BEAUTIFUL ...
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(a young boy named "Q" ... the day after she died)

What is it about her???? ...
the gleam in her eye ... when her great-grand-daughter jumped on the bed.
the incredible pride when she talked about her daughter and grand-kids.

the quiet-stubbornness when she said "no pre-sales" or ----- "I don't want to see any
price-dropping before noon!" ...
yes, the garage sale that was more than "just a garage sale" ...

loyal to the MAX!!
a lady who loved with passion: out-living 3 incredible men ... who made her feel special ...
and that "special-ness" was returned to them everyday.

the joy of love ... the pain of loss ...
never forgetting a friend ... even if her friend was too sick to know she was there ...

life ----- it's not about being recognized ... it's about what
you do for those you love.

Rhine-wine in a chalice ...
Broken bread, reminding us of all life's simple-yet-sacred moments ...
"the blood of Christ shed for you"
folding a newsletter
pitching in
a daughter's art-work
a grand-daughter's small business ... wow, my grandson wants to get married here!!
a church ... at the very-heart-and-soul of who she was ... and always will be.

Her name is on a t-shirt ... probably on a hat in February ...

Most of all: her spirit is in our hearts ... always has been, always will be.

It's the 'magic wand' of love. She waved it for 84 years.
Our "calling" is to wave it everyday.
Thanks, Gladie

In memory of Gladys Gunnerson. She left us on Tuesday morning.
We celebrate her life on Wednesday evening, September 9 ---- 7:00 PM ...
in a humble place, covered with her footprints.

luv and joy to all "rev"

A FEW NIBBLES OF GOODNESS ... IN A HUMBLE PLACE

How about a bit of “**spiritual yoga**” ... taught by Kathy Ruiter ... it resumes on Wednesday, September 16th ... 6:00 – 7:15. Monday classes will be added in October. Create balance in your life by nurturing your whole person ... which includes spiritual, mental, emotional, and physical needs. No experience is required ... the classes are for all skill levels ... and all ages ... only \$7 per session. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a mat or blanket to class.

Ever thought about singing in the ALL SAINTS CHOIR???? ... we invite you, your spouse, your friends to a “choir kick-off” evening at the church ----- Sunday, September 13, beginning at 4:08 ----- with drinks and appetizers, followed by a program of singing. Songs remembered, new songs, and songs for the coming season. Our organist Mike will help ... and the recently retired choral director at Stagg High School – Rolf Moen – will add singing pointers and other techniques to improve our work. After an hour of singing ... we’ll have a light supper and adjourn by 7:00. A fun evening ----- a chance to sing, invite prospective singers, and those who say: “I’d like to try ... but you know I can’t sing or read music!!” Come and enjoy an evening of music and entertainment. (See the choir insert for a bit more.)

****This Sunday, September 6 --- the last of our summer schedule ... worship at 8:30 & 10.**

****Sunday, September 13 ---- fall schedule begins.**

Worship at 8:30 & 11

Sunday School & Breakfast Club between services ... Choir rehearsal begins on September 20

ALSO ----- September 13 is GRANDPARENTS’ DAY!@!

****ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 ... 14 of our young people are being confirmed at the 11:00 service.**

This is a festive service ... as we welcome them into adult membership. The service doesn’t last any longer than a regular service ... so, COME AND ENJOY!!

HOW ABOUT SOME BIBLE STUDY? ... Craig is leading us in a study/discussion of the book of ACTS.

These sessions are fun, lively, and very enlightening. Every-other WEDNESDAY ... beginning SEPTEMBER 23, at 7:00. You can sign-up and get a study book on Sunday!!

A FEW YOUTH GROUP NOTES ... for our 7th-12th graders & families.

*Our first breakfast club is Sunday, Sept. 13 ... “Uncle Wayne” is cooking ... and we are inviting those parents who can attend to join us ... in the basement ... for a bit of sharing what is coming up. \$3 donation for breakfast ... or whatever you’d like to share.

We are hosting a reception for the confirmation graduates on Sept. 20 ... and that evening, from 6:00 – 8:00, a bonfire in back of the church.

HOW ABOUT COMING TO THE BURGEOO ... SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 5:00

at the home of Roger and Judy Carlsen in Frankfort. This is a great adult evening. The “burgoo” is a stew, cooked over an open fire. Roger and Judy have such a beautiful outdoor setting ... and their home is full of a “magic spirit.” Begin making your rsvp’s this Sunday. We all bring something to share ... and we chip-in for the main-dish and drinks.

REMEMBER TO CHECK OUR WEB-SITE ...

It contains our prayer-concerns ... the sermons (adult and kids) ... a calendar ... all the prayers from the bulletin ... it’s really nice ----- www.allsaintsjoy.com

GOD’S BLESSINGS AND HOPE TO ALL!