



All Saints Lutheran Church

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We are glad that you are here to worship the Lord with us.

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:20-32

In today's reading, Abraham undertakes the role of a mediator between God and sinful humanity. Appealing to God's justice, Abraham boldly asks for mercy for the city of Sodom, for the sake of the few righteous people who are in it, including Abraham's nephew, Lot.

²⁰Then the LORD said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?" ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it?

²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" ²⁶And the LORD said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." ²⁷Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." ²⁹Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." ³⁰Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." ³¹He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the LORD. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." ³²Then he said, "Oh do not let the LORD be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

SECOND READING: Colossians 2:6-15

Paul warns his congregation in Colossae about "the empty lure" of philosophies and traditions that compromise faith. Through the gift of faith, the church is mystically connected with Christ in his death and resurrection, which is enacted in baptism.

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you

were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

GOSPEL: Luke 11:1-13

In teaching his disciples this prayer, Jesus also reminds them to focus on God's coming reign, God's mercy, and the strengthening of the community. Jesus encourages his disciples to child-like trust and persistence in prayer.

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ²He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial."

⁵And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' ⁷And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you;

search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Next Week's Readings – August 1

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Psalms 49:1-12

Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

**ALL SAINTS STUDY, SERVICE, FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
AND SPECIAL NOTICES**

Summer Congregation Favorites Hymn Sings – Mark the dates: TODAY, August 15 and August 29, Sundays this summer we will gather for worship by singing our favorite hymns in the red hymnal, ELW. Come prepared on these Sundays with the hymn number and name, and perhaps a selected stanza to sing. We'll sing as many favorites as can be sung beginning about 15 minutes before worship. Once you've had your favorite hymn sung, please allow others to suggest hymns – we want as many as possible to offer their favorites. Come early on Hymn Sing Sundays and be ready to lift your voices together with others singing our favorite hymns!

Summer Choir – Sing with the Summer Choir! The dates selected, anthems are chosen, now we just need YOU to sing along. TODAY we will sing an SATB anthem: "If We Will Seek the Lord," and on Sunday, August 22 a 2-part anthem, "Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord." Rehearsals will be immediately after Sunday morning worship August 8 & 15. Children, youth, and adults are all welcome to sing – bring a friend or family member to join you. To indicate your interest in participating, please sign up on the Summer Choir Roster on the organ console in church, or email Doug Williams at music@allsaintspalatine.org.

Prayers – You may have noticed a couple of additions on our prayer list: birthdays and anniversaries are listed for your prayer use. Also, we are praying each week for one congregation of the Metro Chicago Synod, one synod of the ELCA, and one member church of the Lutheran World Foundation.

Choir Party – Sunday, August 1, 2:00 p.m. hosted by Marty and Julie Knight, **5541 Amanda Court, Rolling Meadows.** All Choir members and other music people of All Saints are invited. Meat and beverages will be provided, (bring your own pop); please bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert to share. **R.S.V.P. by Thursday, July 29, 847-965-6966** with number of people coming and what you are bringing.

Backyard Holden Evening Prayer
Did you know that we gather as a congregation on the second Wednesday of each month for Holden Evening Prayer? It's a great opportunity for prayer and singing. At **7 pm on Wednesday, August 11** gather with us at the home of Mike & Karen Nedzel, 5603 Silentbrook Lane, Rolling Meadows. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Bring a dish or drink to pass in some fellowship following the half-hour prayer service.

<u>Serving In Worship This Weekend – July 24 – 25, 2010</u>		
	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 9:00 a.m.
Acolytes:	Debbie Lindstrom	Hayley Ban Meghan Bartos
Altar:	John Lofgren Mary Lofgren	Lea Wagner Janet Lowe, Ayesha Williams
Assisting Minister:		Don Prest
Bread Bakers:	Don Prest	
Bulletin Help:	Ann Marie Johnston, Lea Wagner	
Communion Assistants:	Joe Quinn	Jodi Steiner
Counters:	Steve Fedota, John Weir	
Greeters:		
Lectors:	Mike Nedzel	Jon Gray
Ushers:	Mike Nedzel	Ken Dau Bill Klaves Conrad Barta Dale Gruetzmacher



