

# sunday times

Third Sunday in Lent  
March 8, 2015



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If you are visiting with us today, welcome, and please fill out one of the yellow "Welcome Friend" visitor forms located in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

## **TODAY IS CROSS ROADS CAMP SUNDAY!**

We welcome John Bartz, Cross Roads Camp's Summer Program Director, to worship this morning. John is a wonderful ambassador for our joint NJ Synod/Episcopal Diocese outdoor ministry programs. He is the youth director at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Chatham, NJ and plans to pursue a career as a High School Guidance Counselor or in Outdoor Ministries. Thank you, John, for sharing your time and your stories with us today.



**CROSS ROADS CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER** is more than just summer camp for kids. Check out the Cross Roads flyer to see what they offer for adults and families too.

**THE PRAYER SHAWL COMMITTEE** meets today, March 8 at 9:30 am in the Betty Dahlquist room. Everyone is welcome.



## **LENTEN SIMPLE SUPPERS**

Join us for dinner, devotion and discussion this Wednesday, March 11 at 6:30pm in the Lounge. This is an opportunity for us to GROW in our understanding of Lent and CONNECT by sharing a simple meal and fellowship. For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Donna Vaupel at 908-577-1183 or [donnaaupel@gmail.com](mailto:donnaaupel@gmail.com).

## **Pastoral Prayers, Joys & Concerns**

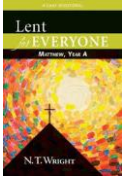
- ✚ Lou Suriani has been discharged from Morristown Memorial Hospital. He is now residing at a senior care facility in Whippany. If you would like to send him a card, please contact the church office for his address.
- ✚ Ben Gardner, cousin of Chuck Sherrick, faces another reconstructive surgery this week.
- ✚ Edith Fornander (97), Carla Flint's mother, was admitted to the hospital in Illinois on Wednesday. She is weak and struggling with various health problems.
- ✚ Connie Mruk, mother of Suzy Romero is back at Overlook Hospital facing some challenges. Please keep Connie and the Romero Family in your prayers.
- ✚ Brenda Richardson, a former member of St. Paul's, Linden is having cardiac issues and anticipates having a pacemaker put in soon.
- ✚ We remember in our prayers today the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Selma marches in Alabama. We pray also for the work that yet must be done regarding the scourge of racism.

This Saturday, March 14, is the **Annual Spring Servant Trip to the NJ Community Food Bank for Confirmation and Youth**. We will meet at the church at 8:15am and return by 11:30am. If you are interested in going please contact Jill or Lindsey Garnhart ASAP @ 908-389-1748.



Don't forget to follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/calvarycranford](https://www.facebook.com/calvarycranford). You don't have to be a member of Facebook to see our page. So check it out!

**If the weather is bad PLEASE call the church office** to check on cancellations before coming to the church. We may delay opening. This means 8:30am Worship and Sunday School would be cancelled.



**Let's Imagine Doing Something New for LENT.** We still have copies of N.T. Wright's book entitled, *Lent for Everyone: Matthew, Year A* for anyone who is interested. This is a great book about Matthew that's easy to understand and apply to daily life. The book costs \$9.50. Let's imagine doing something new this Lent – if you are interested or have questions, please speak with Pastor Carol.

**CALVARY CONNECT BOOK CLUB  
RESCHEDULED**

Thought it was too late to read the book and join in the fun? Think again! Join us on Wednesday, March 18 at 7:30pm to discuss Cheryl Strayed's book "Wild". RSVP to the office if you plan on attending!

**A Reminder from the Mutual Ministry Committee:** Leaders/committees/teams please remember to keep our staff members "in the loop" as you plan church activities. This will help them discuss dates as they are being chosen and ensure our staff's connection and involvement. May the Lord continue to bless the mutual ministry we do here at Calvary.

**ATTENTION THRIVENT MEMBERS** – more than \$4000 Thrivent Choice Dollars are still available to be given to the non-profit of your choice but time is running out! Calvary Lutheran Church is an approved recipient of Thrivent's charitable outreach funds and we would be grateful for this generous donation. Thrivent Choice Dollars expire March 31, 2015. Questions? Ask Robin Marko.

**Attn: High School Seniors – Scholarship Information!**  
The Cranford Clergy Council & Interfaith Human Relations Committee is now accepting applications for its 2015 Cranford Human Relations Scholarship Award. The recipient should be a graduating high school senior who is a member of a local Cranford House of Worship. They must be active in their church or synagogue and must plan to continue education after high school. For an application contact the church office. Scholarship applications are due April 1.

Paper copies of the **CROSS CURRENTS March 2015** issue are available in the narthex. Please feel free to take a copy.

**THOSE SERVING TODAY**

	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30 a.m.</b>
Asst. Min.	Rob Seavy	Donna Schlenker
Comm. Asst.	Carla Flint	Karl Schlenker
Ushers	Robin Marko (C) Peebles Family	David Ten Broeck (C) Barb Birger TBD
Acolyte	Kaitlyn Petschow & Kurt Petschow	Eric Pastore & Joseph Garbowski
Altar Guild	Lori Gaudin	Lori Gaudin

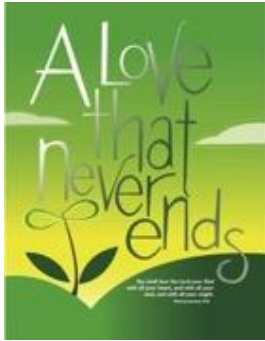
**THIS WEEK AT CALVARY**

<b>Sun 3/8</b>	<i>Wedding Banquet</i>
8:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
9:30am	Sunday School Choir Rehearsal Prayer Shawl
10:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
3-5:00pm	First Holy Communion Study
5-7pm	Confirmation Class
<b>Mon 3/9</b>	
10:30am	Caring Ministry
<b>Tue 3/10</b>	
7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
<b>Wed 3/11</b>	
6:30p	Lenten Simple Supper
<b>Thur 3/12</b>	
1:15pm	Mid Week Worship w/Holy Communion
<b>Sat 3/14</b>	
8:15am	Youth Servant Trip to NJ Food Bank
<b>Sun 3/15</b>	<i>Bridesmaids (or Talents)</i>
8:30am	Worship with Holy Communion
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**Do we have your current email address?** We send a lot of information out via email. Please make sure we have your current address so you can stay up –to date with all the great things happening here at Calvary!

**2015 CALENDARS**

On the table in the narthex are 2015 Christian Calendars. Please take one for you and as many as you like for your friends!



**Cross Roads Day Camp – 2015**  
**@ Cavalry Lutheran Church**  
**Monday, August 17 –**  
**Friday, August 21**  
**9am-3pm**  
 (Extended care daily 8-9am and/or 3-6pm.)

Children entering Kindergarten thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join

us for an awesome week of action-filled camp fun! Crafts, songs, worship, games and Bible study are all jam-packed into this amazing day camp experience aimed at creating great friendships and a stronger faith in God and his love.

**Registration is now open! \$125 per camper**  
 (add \$50 for extended care)

For more Information and to register online go to <http://www.calvarycranford.com>  
 Register Early – Limited Enrollment

**UNION COUNTY NAMI SPONSORING A FREE COURSE ON MENTAL ILLNESS beginning this Thursday, March 5 @ 7pm.**

This 12-week course is for parents, siblings, spouses, teen-age and adult children and significant others of individuals with severe and persistent mental illness. We will meet every Thursday from 7-9:30pm through May 21. In a confidential setting, loved ones will learn how to understand and support their ill relative while maintaining their own well-being. Classes will meet at St. Agnes Church in Clark. To register call (908)233-1628 or email [namiunioncounty@yahoo.com](mailto:namiunioncounty@yahoo.com) and mention “Family-to-Family” class.

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP FOR WIDOWS & WIDOWERS AT ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON** to be held at Rahway Fitness Center, 2120 Lamberts Mill Road in Scotch Plains. Registration is going on now for this Spring Bereavement Group geared toward individuals who have recently suffered the loss of a spouse. **The Group will run Thursday mornings March 19-April 30.** Call Jane Dowling RN (732)247-7490.

**CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP** meets at 7:30pm the first non-holiday Monday of each month in the parish center at St. Helen’s Church in Westfield. Their next meeting will be April 13. The group is for those caring for chronically ill or elderly loved ones. Questions - Call Marilyn Ryan 908-232-1214



**EASTER FLOWERS 2015**  
**Deadline is Sunday, March 22**

\_\_\_\_\_ Lilies @ \$18  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Tulips @ \$13

*(please circle one)*

To the Glory of God - In Memory of -  
 In Honor of

Given By: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Envelope #: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my plant(s) after the late service on Easter Sunday.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please give my plant to the sick or homebound.

*Please place in collection plate or send to church office.*