

# sunday times

Palm Sunday  
March 20, 2016



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Hosanna! Today we join all the faithful in praising Jesus, who comes among us as a humble servant.

## PALM SUNDAY

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



 Please welcome our guest trumpeter today, Matt Spatz.

**"The Last Supper: A Maundy Thursday Portrayal"** On March 24, Maundy Thursday, youth and adults will lead our 7:30pm worship with this visual portrayal of the sacrament of Holy Communion. This dramatic worship service provides glimpses into the personalities and backgrounds of the disciples and an insightful look into one of the most poignant moments in the life of Jesus.

**LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** There are many ways to volunteer during this worship drama including both readers and actors. Children from 3rd grade thru high school and adults are invited to take part in this dramatic Lenten presentation. If interested, please contact Lynda at [lynda@calvarycranford.com](mailto:lynda@calvarycranford.com).



### CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

The year-to-date February income for 2016 totaled \$44,128 and expenses were \$ 59,741.

This is an improvement as compared to Feb 2015 with income of \$ 35,355 and expenses of \$ 57,567. The shortfall for February 2016 is \$ 15,613 as compared to the short fall of February 2015 was \$ 22,212. Your giving is appreciated along with your support for Calvary Lutheran Church.

If you are a contributor to Calvary, but do not have a number for a financial statement from Calvary, please contact the office with your information and a number will be assigned to you for your giving and a statement will be provided to you at the end of the year.

### Pastoral Prayers, Joys & Concerns

- ✠ Jenna Sayles, niece of Lynda Pullis, is recovering from abdominal surgery. Please pray for a quick recovery.
- ✠ Paula Bowen, Lori Gaudin's sister-in-law, has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- ✠ Helen Patsis, Chuck Sherrick's daughter-in-law's mother, is in ICU at the Morristown Hospital recovering from a serious heart operation.
- ✠ Cathy Campbell, niece of Chuck Sherrick, is recovering from ovarian cancer. Please pray that the surgery to remove all traces of the cancer was a success.
- ✠ Debbie Schnaps, friend of Eddie Leicht, is battling cancer.
- ✠ Gaby Rovnakoda, caregiver of Rocky Metroka, fractured her foot on Wednesday. Please pray for a speedy recovery.
- ✠ Anthony Villaggio, friend of Lorrie Bove, is currently receiving chemo and radiation in preparation for surgery on April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to Lynda and Russ Pullis on the birth of their first grandchild. Asha Grace Nyatta was born on Wed., March 16 - 8lb. 4 ounces and 22 inches. Her proud parents are Juliet and Mashuma Nyatta. They make their home in San Francisco, CA and Mrs. Pullis and her husband will be going out to visit them shortly after Easter. The pink rose on the altar is given in gratefulness to God for Asha's safe birth.



### **Palm Sunday – March 20**

Services of Holy Communion  
8:15 am & 10:30 am

### **Maundy Thursday – March 24**

Service of Holy Communion ~ 1:15 pm

### **"The Last Supper: Maundy Thursday"**

A visual portrayal of the sacrament of Holy Communion, one of the most poignant moments of Jesus' life ~ 7:30pm

### **Good Friday – March 25**

Community Service ~ 12pm  
at the United Methodist Church  
Tenebrae Service of Darkness ~ 7:30pm

### **Easter Sunday – March 27**

Festival Services with Holy  
Communion 8:15 am & 10:30 am  
Children's Easter Service ~ 9:30 am  
Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt

**SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, April 10, 2016  
from 11:45 AM - 1:30 PM for a Ladies  
Luncheon & Jewelry Fashion Show.**

Welcome Spring with food, fellowship and fun and an opportunity to view and purchase Jewelry from Premier Designs. All profits from the event will be donated to the CONNECT Ministry which encompasses Fellowship, Caring and Youth. Look for more details and an e-invitation soon.

**CALVARY CONNECT: BOOK CLUB**



Our next book is called "The Shoemaker's Wife" by Adriana Trigiani — a breathtaking multi-generational love story that spans two continents, two World Wars, and the quest of two star-crossed lovers to find each other again. The book club will meet for the discussion on **Sunday April 19th 9:15 am-10:30 pm**. Copies of the books are available in the narthex after services or please contact Nancy Bebel at 908-232-2399 if you would like to borrow one. Spring Break is in a few weeks and it's a perfect time to read!

**BULLYING AND OUR CHILDREN** The Union County Division of Youth Services & Union County Prosecutor's Office will present a special discussion about bullying in an internet age. Join us on **Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm -8pm** at Peterstown Community Center located at 418 Palmer Street in Elizabeth, NJ. The presenter will be Det. Nicholas Veltre from the Juvenile Unit at the Union County Prosecutor's Office. For more info., please call 908-558-2520 or go to [www.ucnj.org/youth](http://www.ucnj.org/youth).

**LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE**



In the midst of Lent, our neighbors cry out with weary hearts as heavy winds, floodwaters and tornadoes have affected many regions of the

U.S., especially Louisiana and Texas. In many areas in the South, river flooding has reached historic levels, affecting streets and highways, damaging or destroying homes, causing thousands to evacuate, and leaving at least five dead. Your gifts to respond to these U.S. spring storms through Lutheran Disaster Response will work to bring God's hope, healing and renewal to those who have been affected. **Gifts designated for U.S. Spring Storms will be used in full (100 %) until the response is complete to help disaster survivors recover and rebuild their lives.**

**Here are ways to give:**

**Mail** - Checks or money orders should be sent to: **Lutheran Disaster Response P.O. Box 1809 Merrifield, VA 22116-8009** Please write "**U.S. Spring Storms**" on your check memo line.

**Phone** – Please call 800-638-3522 or you can also click on the following hyperlink to donate [online](#).



**FAITH INTO ACTION- AN INTERFAITH RECEPTION**

The Union County Interfaith Coordinating Council invites you to an interfaith reception on **Thursday, March 31, 2016** at 5pm -9pm at the Suburban Golf Club located at 1730 Morris Ave. Union, NJ. For more info., please contact Rod Spearman at (908) 354-3040 or email [rspearman@caunj.org](mailto:rspearman@caunj.org).

**THOSE SERVING TODAY**

	<b>8:15am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>
Asst. Min.	Chris Wendel	Karl Schlenker
Comm. Asst.	Leslie Schreiber	Chuck Sherrick
Ushers	Jim Seavy (C)	David Ten Broeck
	Judy Seavy	TBD
	Chris Wendel	TBD
	Cathi Wendel	TBD
Acolyte	TBD	TBD
Altar Guild	Lori Gaudin	Lori Gaudin

**THIS WEEK AT CALVARY**

	<b>Sun 03/20</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
	8:15am	Worship w/Holy Communion Sung Liturgy, traditional music
	9:15am	Sunday School
	9:30am	Calvary Choir Rehearsal
	10:30am	Worship w/Holy Communion Sung Liturgy, traditional music Youth Bell Choir
	4pm	
	<b>Thu 03/24</b>	<b>Maunder Thursday</b>
	1:15 pm	Worship w/Holy Communion
	7:30 pm	"The Lord's Supper: A Maunder Thursday Portrayal"
	<b>Fri 03/25</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
	12pm	Community Service at United Methodist Church
	7:30 pm	Tenebrae Service of Darkness
	<b>Sun 03/27</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	8:15am	Festival Worship w/Holy Communion
	9:30am	Children's Easter Service Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt
	10:30am	Festival Worship w/Holy Communion

**Our office hours are:**

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:00am – 4:00pm  
Tues and Thurs: 10:30am – 5:30pm

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**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PICK UP YOUR COPY** of the March issue of Cross Currents, now available in the narthex.