

sunday times

Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2015



Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

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Welcome to worship! Easter is a seven-week season, not just one day. So, happy Easter! And welcome to the Lord's House.

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

Tyler Simko is our Guest Organist today. Welcome Tyler and thank you for sharing your talents with us.

Thank you to Mary and Gunnar Anderson for providing the special music for this Sunday's worship.

Today is the First Day of National Volunteer Week and our Gospel is Matthew 28 - "Go into all the world and make disciples. Pastor Carol hopes you will share something about your volunteer work during worship today. It could be where you volunteer, what you do as a volunteer or why you do it. We want to hear about how you serve your neighbor with Christ's love. This Easter Season let us celebrate together the ministry Christ brings to each one of our lives.

THANK YOU to the choir for providing all the special music during Holy Week and Easter. Thank You to Matt Spatz for playing trumpet during the Palm Sunday and Easter services - and Thank You to Meg Sorenson Spatz for playing bassoon and flute during our Good Friday service. We appreciate your dedication to and support of our music ministry.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF CALVARY? We will welcome new members on Sunday, May 3. If you are interested in joining Calvary, please let us know in the church office during the month of April. If you would like to learn more about the Lutheran understanding of Christianity - please speak with Pastor Carol. She is available to talk with you about what Calvary has to offer. You are invited to Grow, Connect and Serve in our Calvary family!

Pastoral Prayers, Joys & Concerns

✠ A Memorial Service for Howard Strand will be held Saturday, April 18 at 12 Noon in the Calvary sanctuary. Let's continue our prayers for healing and grace for Caryl and the Strand family.



CNSCC PLAYGROUND MULCHING – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Spring has sprung and that means it's time to put new mulch on the CNSCC playground. Bring your gloves, shovels and wheelbarrows to church on Saturday, April 25 @ 9:30am for a morning of service and fellowship. All volunteers welcome!

CALVARY NURSERY SCHOOL AND CHILD CARE (CNSCC) SUNDAY – April 26



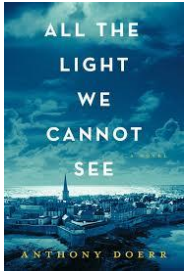
We are thrilled to announce that our annual Calvary Nursery School and Child Care Sunday will be April 26th! CNSCC Sunday brings together school families and church families to celebrate the success of our school and its ministry. We hope you'll join us for a reception after the 10:30am service to learn more about our school and have a little fun. If you're able to donate refreshments, contact Cindy at cindy@patwin.com. Any questions, please contact Ginny Garbowski at 732-850-8868 or jjrents@aol.com.

SPRING LUNCHEON, Thursday, April 30

Shake off the winter blues and join us as we welcome spring with our friends from Calvary Nursery School. Please join us for our Spring Luncheon, Thursday **April 30 at 12:15pm** in the Church Narthex before the mid-week worship service. Dessert with the school children will follow the service. Please RSVP to Pat Jurpulis 908-447-2907.

CRAFT AND CONNECT ON THURSDAY, APRIL 30

Ladies, join us for a night out of jewelry making on Thursday, April 30 at 7:30pm upstairs in the church lounge. The Queen Bead will provide the materials and instructions. Check out www.thequeenbeadnj.com to see ideas and prices (cash/checks only). Participants will receive a 20% discount on their jewelry design. Teens/Youth are welcome. Limit of 14 people so please sign up early by emailing Nancy Bebel at nbebel@verizon.net by 4/23.



CALVARY CONNECT BOOK CLUB Thursday, May 7

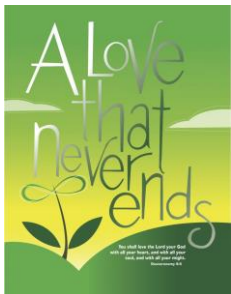
Our first book club was so much fun we're going to do it again! Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 7 and join us for a discussion about the bestselling book "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr. This novel is about a blind French girl and

a German boy whose paths collide as they try to survive World War II. RSVP to the office if you plan to join us!

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RETREAT

Friday, April 24 – Sunday, April 26
Cost \$95

Join us for a fun-filled program at Cross Roads Camp, where we will learn about God and strengthen our Faith together. There will be games, music, great food and more! Deadline for signing up is Tuesday, April 14. Contact Lynda Pullis if you're interested.



Cross Roads Day Camp – 2015 Calvary Lutheran Church Monday, August 17 – Friday, August 21 9am-3pm

(Extended care daily 8-9am
and/or 3-6pm.)

Children entering Kindergarten thru 6th grade are invited to join us for an awesome week packed full of crafts, songs, worship, games and Bible study. Join us as we make great friends, learn about God and discover "A Love That Never Ends".

REGISTER NOW! \$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

**Paper copies of the April 2015 issue of CROSS
CURRENTS are now available in the narthex.**

THOSE SERVING TODAY

	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
Asst. Min.	Carla Flint	Warren Hynes
Comm. Asst.	Leslie Schreiber	TBA
Ushers	Jim Seavy (C) Judy Seavy Chris Wendel Cathy Wendel	Doug Nordstrom (C) Steve Johnson Ginger Johnson Chuck Sherrick
Acolyte	Desirée Santos	Eric Pastore
Altar Guild	Glenda Huff	Glenda Huff

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

Sun 4/12	<i>Great Commission</i>
8:30am	Worship w/Holy Communion
9:30am	Sunday School/ Fellowship
10:30am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
Mon 4/13	
10:30am	Caring Ministry
Tue 4/14	
7:30pm	Church Council Mtg
Thur 4/16	
10am	CNSCC Block Party
1:15pm	Mid-Week Worship w/Holy Communion
Fri 4/17	
1pm	Women's Bible Study
Sat 4/18	
12pm	Howard Strand Memorial Service
Sun 4/19	<i>Peter's Vision</i>
8:30am	Worship w/Holy Communion
9:30am	Sunday School/ Fellowship/Choir
10:30am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
2pm	Mitnik Wedding Vows Renewal
5-7pm	Confirmation Class

SAFETY TIPS: AVOIDING IDENTITY THEFT & SCAMS

Wednesday, April 15, 11am-12pm
Summit Police Officer Matthew Tarantino will discuss how to prevent becoming a victim of identity theft, as well as telephone and internet scams. He will also review how older adults can stay safe in their homes. This presentation is for older adults and their caregivers. **

ACTIVITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA

Thursday, April 16, 10:30am-12pm
Are you caring for someone with Alzheimer's or dementia? Are you looking for different types of activities you can do with them? Judith Levey, author of "Activities To Do With Your Parent Who Has Alzheimer's Dementia," will offer practical ideas that will help maintain your loved ones' self-care skills, mobility, and socialization. **

**Both these programs are free and will be held at SAGE Eldercare, 290 Broad Street, Summit.
Registration is required by calling 908.598.5548.

ENJOY AN EVENING OF WONDERFUL MUSIC

"Silver, Wood & Ivory" in concert to benefit Oasis Ministries Sunday, April 19 at 4PM at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 177 Princeton Highstown Rd., Princeton Junction, NJ. Cindy Wittenberg (Pianist) and Tracy Dietrich (Flutist) are two women who play various flutes (Silver), recorders (Wood), piano and keyboard (Ivory), and Celtic harp. The Silver, Wood & Ivory Concert includes original arrangements from a wide variety of musical styles written and performed by the two women. Tickets are \$20 (senior and group rates available) and can be purchased by calling 717-737-8222 or visiting www.OasisMin.org/BenefitConcert.html.

SMYLE

Synod Multicultural Youth Leadership Event Saturday, May 2

LoveStruck! We are called to be LoveStruck with one another - not colorblind. This exciting event will be led by our synod's NJ Detroit Peace Team, a group of 23 youth, young adults and adult leaders from five of our urban congregations.

We're also excited to announce that our SMYLE musician will be Agapé, an energetic, faithful Lutheran Hip Hop artist. SMYLE is for 6th-12th graders; the cost is \$12 per person. Contact Lynda Pullis if you are interested in going!

WURFFEL FUND COLLEGE LOAN/SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

A limited amount of financial aid is available for Lutheran college students through the Wurffel Memorial Fund. The aid will be provided in the form of a student loan but the entire loan may be forgiven on the basis of being an active member of a congregation in the NJ Synod. Any member of a NJ Synod/ELCA congregation planning to or attending a two or four year accredited college or university as an undergraduate may apply. Assistance is provided on a one year basis, but applicants may reapply annually up to 5 years. Priority is based on financial need and activity in the life of the church as described by the pastor's recommendation letter. Applicants must have at least a "C" average to be considered. If you are interested, please contact the church office for more information and an application. All applications are due back to the church office by June 1.

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.

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. The 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

HELP FOR THOSE WITH HEARING LOSS "The Hearing Society" meets most Thursday mornings from 10:30-11:45 am at the First Baptist Church in Westfield (Sept.-May) for speech reading classes. Classes help people with hearing loss improve their ability to read lips as well as their communication skills. All are welcome. Annual dues are \$25. For info contact Alice Knecht at 908-688-8241 or alibobkn@aol.com.

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!

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Do we have your email address?

Please make sure we have your current email so you get the latest news about all the great things happening here at Calvary!