

# sunday times

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost  
August 14, 2016



**Evangelical Lutheran Church in America**  
God's work. Our hands.

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Spirit of Love, on this glorious summer morning, we gather together to praise you in joy! Amen.

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.

Sean McGinity, our Contemporary Musician, will be playing throughout August. Come enjoy Sean's beautiful guitar playing and voice.

*Welcome*

A warm welcome to **Lindsey Garnhart** who will be leading the sermon today. Lindsey will be sharing her experience at Camp Crossroads with us!

**CROSS  ROADS**  
CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

## **Cross Roads Camp – It's not just for Kids!**

Although Cross Roads hosts an awesome summer camp for kids of all ages and retreats for youth throughout the year, it's not just for kids. Here are just SOME of the other great events Cross Roads hosts during the year.

## **Giant Church Picnic (all ages) August 21 starts at 2pm, closing worship 6:30pm**

Join them for the end of the summer bash! And experience all the awesome activities camp has to offer – rock wall, giant swing, canoeing, swimming, etc. plus picnic games, great food, fellowship and worship.

## **Women's Retreat: Sept 30-Oct 2 & Oct 14-16**

A weekend of renewal spent in prayer, study and fellowship with other faithful women.

## **Volleyball Marathon & Retreat: October 7-9**

Help us rally for Cross Roads and raise money during this all night Volleyball Game. Bring your own team or join a team when you get here. Come for the game (October 8-9, 9pm-9am) or the weekend.

## **Wednesdays Away: October 5, November 2, December 9, 9am-3pm**

Join us for a time of spiritual renewal on the first Wednesday of the month. A variety of spiritual directors focus each month upon a different spiritual practice. The day begins in community with prayer and conversation, which will be used to ground your day and guide your personal retreat time.

**For more details and a list of even more Cross Roads has to offer go to <http://crossroadsretreat.com>.**

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

- ✚ Pastor Raymond Birkel's condition has worsened and he is very much in need of our prayers. We would also ask you to pray for Tim and the entire family as they support and help Pr. Birkel.
- ✚ Fritz and Amanda Bartel were united in marriage last Saturday, Aug. 6, in Sandy Hook, NJ. Pastor Carol officiated. Let's keep the Bartel's in our prayers as they begin this new journey together.
- ✚ Grace Eisner (101) has been diagnosed with heart failure. She is at home following a recent stay in Overlook. She is very weak and needs our prayers.
- ✚ Joyce Jones is now home from the hospital and her irregular heart beat is being treated with medication. She is grateful for our prayerful support.
- ✚ Daniel Swing, brother of Pat Jurpulis, is having surgery on Tuesday, August 16th. Please keep Daniel and his family close in prayer for the success of this very sensitive surgery.

## **NEW TODDLER PRAYER GROUND**

Did you notice the friendly toddler space in the left corner of the church narthex recently? If not, check



it out! It is the new addition to our parish community to support those families with small children during Sunday service.

The intent is to have a faith-based space for little ones to quietly move and play while at the same time attending parents are still able to hear the ongoing service just outside the Sanctuary doors.

All materials in the space are specifically picked out with little hands in mind, so moms and dads can feel safe having their little one play in the space. Also, since all the materials are faith-based, it is a fabulous way for moms and dads to start a simple conversation about certain biblical figures.

If you are interested in contributing to the new Toddler Prayer Ground, we are in search of more faith-based board books, Crayola Wonder Mess Free Paper, and Crayola Wonder Mess Free Markers, as well as, other items. Please click on our [Amazon Wish List](#) for a few inexpensive ideas. We are also certainly open to ideas of additions to the space that are not on the list, but we respectfully ask that all additions are faith-based and toddler friendly. Many of the parents of the Young Families CONNECT group are very excited about this addition and we hope you are as well!



**YOUNG FAMILIES  
CONNECT GROUP  
Orange Ave Pool &  
Playground Potluck  
Sunday, August 21, 4PM**

Join us for some fun in the sun!

The Young Families CONNECT group will be meeting at the Orange Avenue Pool & Playground on Sunday, August 21 at 4 p.m. BBQ will be provided, just bring a side dish and your little one(s). Cost is \$10 per person without a Cranford Pool Membership (kids under 2 are free). Call or text Kristin Santos at (609) 933-9884 or email her at [cranfordsantosfamily@gmail.com](mailto:cranfordsantosfamily@gmail.com) to sign up!

# HELP WANTED

**HELP WANTED: GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS**

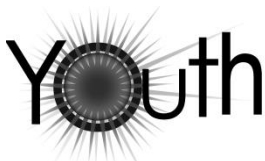


**God's Work,  
Our Hands**

Sunday, September 11, is "God's Work, Our Hands" the ELCA churchwide national day of service this year. It is also the 15 year anniversary of the 9/11 attacks. In honor of the first responders who saved lives on that day, we

are planning a project that benefits one of our most important local organizations: the Cranford First Aid Squad. We will be hosting a World Food event in our Fellowship Hall from Noon to 2pm on that day. All proceeds from this event will be used for new equipment and other necessities for the Squad. There will be an ambulance on display for the children and we plan to have a piper or two provide music in the courtyard. Would you like to help us with this event? We are currently organizing a team to pull this service project together. If interested, please speak with Pastor Carol or email her at [pastor@calvarycranford.com](mailto:pastor@calvarycranford.com)

**HELP WANTED: YOUTH MINISTRY**



A Youth Ministry Leadership Team is forming and we need you! If you are interested in working with Calvary's youth, from

elementary to high school age, we would like to hear from you! There are many opportunities to get involved: chaperoning events, leading a youth group meeting, driving to the Food Bank, going on an overnight retreat, shopping for supplies and coordinating special worship activities, just to name a few. Working in youth ministry is a very rewarding experience for you and for our youth!! Please contact Mary Sterling at [marysterling@yahoo.com](mailto:marysterling@yahoo.com) or 908-217-9267 for more information.

**HELP WANTED: SUNDAY SCHOOL**



We are looking for a Sunday School Coordinator and for Sunday School teachers (all grade levels). Please contact Rob Seavy at [robert.seavy@gmail.com](mailto:robert.seavy@gmail.com) or call

732-453-4060 for more information about the responsibilities of those positions.

**THOSE SERVING TODAY**

**9:30am**

Asst. Min. Chris Wendel  
Comm. Asst. Rob Seavy  
Ushers Jim Seavy (C)  
Judy Seavy  
Acolyte TBD  
Altar Guild Glenda Huff

**THIS WEEK AT CALVARY**

**Sun 08/14** *Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost*  
9:30am Single Service of Worship with Holy Communion

**Tue 08/16**  
6 pm Church Council Meeting

**Thu 08/18**  
1:15 pm Midweek Worship

**Sun 08/21** *Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost*  
9:30am Single Service of Worship with Holy Communion  
4pm Young Families Connect - Orange Ave Pool and Playground Potluck

**Our office hours are:**

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

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**PROGRESSIVE DINNER on  
Saturday, October 15, 2016**

Here's how it works. Members of the congregation volunteer to host a cocktail hour with hors d'oeuvres at their

home for an hour where everyone can meet and socialize. You then break up into smaller groups of 6 to 8 and go to individual homes for dinner. Following dinner all come back to Fellowship Hall for dessert, coffee and more fellowship. It's a fun evening and gives everyone the opportunity to meet some new people. There will be more information to follow when you can sign up to either host the cocktail hour, dinner or attend.