

sunday times

Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 4, 2016



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

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Welcome to worship this Labor Day weekend.
May God bless the work of our hands to his glory,
this week and always.

**Thank you to Pastor Anderson for serving as
our guest Pastor at worship today.**



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"GOD'S WORK, OUR HANDS" LUTHERAN DAY OF SERVICE – SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

This national ELCA day of service, takes place on the 15th anniversary of 9/11 on Sunday, September 11. We are hosting a town wide benefit luncheon for the first responders of the Cranford First Aid Squad. Please help us give back to these great men and women by joining us on 9/11 from **Noon to 2pm** for some great ethnic foods provided by local restaurants! The cost is \$10 per person; pay at the door. Invite your friends and neighbors to this International Food Court which includes music and prayer in our courtyard. Kids get to tour an ambulance, fire truck, and police car! A Prayer for 9/11 will be led by Pastor Carol. Your "hands" are needed to make this service event a success. Please call Meg Spatz at 908-304-3531 to let her know what team you can assist with.



For anyone who has volunteered to be a part of the Set-up or Decorating Crews, we will be setting up for the 9/11 International Food Court on **Saturday, September 10th from 8am-**

12noon. Even if you can't be there for the whole four hour time, any help is greatly needed and much appreciated! We need to set up tables & chairs in Fellowship Hall, get the kitchen ready, make the place look festive and get ready to potentially host 200 people on Sunday 9/11!!

A second Set-up time will happen between **10:30am-12noon on Sunday 9/11.** This will be when the food service volunteers will need to be ready to receive food and begin preparation for the Food Court. We will also be getting the courtyard ready at this time for musical performances, prayers, & Irish Dancing! Anyone who is able to pick foods up at the restaurants, please call Meg Spatz at 908-304-3531 within the next week for specific information. **We will need ALL HANDS ON DECK for these set-up times - it's not too late to volunteer!!** Please call Meg Spatz for more information.




Pastor Carol left for two weeks of vacation in England on Aug. 24th. If you need pastoral care while she's away, please contact the church office or the Council President, Marsha Stoltz, at (201) 519-3036.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11



September is here and school will be back in session! Here, at Calvary, we will learn about an ancient Christian Symbol  and get one for your backpacks

as we Bless your Backpacks during the **9:30am** service. Why was this fish symbol a secret way for early Christians to show that they belonged to Jesus? Can you make one in the sand? Come and try on Sunday, 9/11 and don't forget to bring your backpack so that Pastor Carol can bless you in this brand new school year!!

RALLY DAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 9:15am

**You are
a STAR!** 

Are those STARS on the Fellowship Hall walls and ceiling?? We want to see you on **Sunday, September 18** for Rally Day starting at **9:15am.** Bring your parents along for this kick off to the new Sunday School year. "You Are a Star" is our theme this year. We will be looking at the book of Genesis together and the promises that God made to Abraham which proclaim that we are all STARS in God's universe. We are very proud of you, boys and girls - we think YOU are STARS and we hope to see you for Sunday School registration, music, refreshments and lots of fun on September 18th. Bring a friend with you and may God help all of us to grow together in faith this year!!

YOUNG FAMILIES CONNECT GROUP



**BREAKFAST IN THE PARK,
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17,
8 a.m. to 9 a.m. (or longer)**

SWINGS, SLIDES, and FUN!

Let's enjoy the nice weather together outside while we can! The YFC group will be meeting at 8 a.m. at Nomahegan Park on the little people playground. Bring your own breakfast and enjoy the company of other families while your little one plays. **FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING - BYOB (Bring your Own Breakfast/Bottle)!** We can't wait to see you! To reply, please text/call Kristin Santos at [\(609\) 933-9884](tel:6099339884) or email her at cranfordsantosfamily@gmail.com

**9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE, FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 11, 7:00PM**



The Cranford WTC Committee and the Cranford Clergy Council will be hosting a 9/11 Memorial Service at 7PM on Sunday, September 11th at the Cranford WTC Park on Springfield and No. Union Avenues.

This event will honor all those who lost their lives or were affected by the September 11, 2001 tragedy. In case of inclement weather, the service will take place in the First Presbyterian Church across the street from the park. All are welcome.

Confirmation

**CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 5PM**

Our confirmation program provides spiritual nurturing for young people in the 8th and 9th grades. Orientation will take place on Sunday, **September 25 at 5pm** in Fellowship Hall. Pizza will be served; you will receive a phone call about bringing salad, drinks or dessert. This is a must attend event for parents and students.

***CLASS DATES FOR 2016: October 9, October 16, November 13, December 4.**



**LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE
Evangelical Lutheran Church in
America - Gulf Coast Flooding**

Historic floodwaters have required tens of thousands of people to be rescued and even more have been evacuated as rain sweeps across southern Louisiana. Floodwaters have affected communication, overwhelmed streets and highways, and damaged or destroyed more than 40,000 homes. We know that it will be a long road to recovery, and Lutheran Disaster Response will be there to assist through every phase of the recovery process. Your generous offerings of prayer and financial support will help address the many needs, especially the long-term recovery efforts of those affected. **Here are ways to give** - Checks or money orders should be sent to:

**Lutheran Disaster Response
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009**

To give by phone, please call 800-638-3522. To give online, click on [Gulf Coast Flooding](#).

**“GETTING PREPARED FOR 500 YEARS
OF REFORMATION THEN AND NOW”
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2016**



You are invited to a day long program at Faith Lutheran Church with Dr. Timothy Wengert, world renowned Luther scholar. Dr. Wengert kicks off the Reformation Anniversary observance on September 17 with presentations on “*Deciphering the 95 Theses* and *Re-Forming The*

Christian Life.” To register, please contact Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence at 908-464-5177 or you can go online at www.famfaith.org.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

9:30am

Asst. Min. Chuck Sherrick
Comm. Asst. TBD
Ushers George Bird (C)
Susan Bird
Acolyte Lauren Gaudin
Altar Guild Lori Gaudin

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

Sun 09/04 9:30am *16th Sunday After Pentecost*
Single Service of Worship with Holy Communion

Thu 09/08 1:15 pm Midweek Worship

Sun 09/11 9:30am *17th Sunday After Pentecost*
Single Service of Worship with Holy Communion

12pm “God’s Work, Our Hands” 9/11 Event
International Food Court

Our office hours are:

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

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Calvary Lutheran Church is a member congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) serving Cranford and the surrounding area for more than 85 years.

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

Please Note: We will return to two services on Sunday, September 18.

8:15am Worship with Holy Communion
Spoken Liturgy, contemporary music

(9:15am Sunday School)

10:30am Worship w/Holy Communion
Sung Liturgy, traditional music