

sunday times

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 4, 2015



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

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Welcome to worship and a new year of Christian education! Please take a moment to greet those sitting near you—longtime friends and new ones.

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.

CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE

Calvary's income for YTD September 2015 is \$192,110, which is \$20,104 lower than the same time period last year. Overall, the income less expenses for YTD Sept 2015 is -\$36,720. This time last year, the overall income less expense was -\$19,288. Therefore our overall financial situation is currently \$17,432 behind 2014 levels. Please let us work as a Congregation to reduce this shortfall so we can end 2015 in a better financial position.



Calvary Choir Schedule: We will be moving to a seasonal choir this year. Choir rehearsals for the Fall season begin today **Sunday, October 4 at 9:30 AM.** We welcome members of the congregation that would like to share their musical gifts during a worship service anytime during the year. Please contact Jeanne Elmuccio on Sunday mornings or email at jeanne@calvarycranford.com

The Prayer Shawl group will meet October 11 between the services in the Betty Dahlquist Room. **Drop in any time between 9:15am - 10:30am** and enjoy the fellowship of our friendly members. We will continue to meet on the second Sunday of each month, so mark your calendars!



The 41st annual CROP WALK - Sunday, October 18, 2015. The 3 mile walk starts from the Cranford United Methodist Church at 2pm and follows a 3 mile path through Cranford. For those wishing to walk, you may obtain a sponsor envelope. Envelopes will be available in the narthex starting Sept. 27th. You obtain sponsors who give you a monetary donation. All donations are posted on your envelope. You can also make an online donation at www.crophungerwalk.org or give cash or write a check and make payable to CROP WALK/CW and place in the offering plate. Your donation will be credited to one of the walkers. Contact Robin Marko for further information. **All are invited to walk.**

Pastoral Prayers, Joys & Concerns

- ✠ Jerry Owens, father of Steve Owens, is having quadruple bypass surgery next Thursday.
- ✠ William Sherwin (82), brother of Olive Geisler, passed away suddenly at his home in Ohio. Please keep Olive, his wife Judith and son Paul close in your prayers.
- ✠ Helen Klawunn (mid 80's), cousin of Fred Miller, broke her arm this past week and had a four hour operation. Please pray for a fast recovery.
- ✠ We pray today for those in Roseburg, Oregon and the tragic incident that occurred at Umpqua Community College. May God's comfort be close to the families and friends and all those affected by this tragedy.
- ✠ We join our prayers for the Syrian refugees and those who are trying to help them in Europe.

OPERATION WARM HEART IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO PREPARE MEALS

Operation Warm Heart is a program being sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford which shelters homeless guests (adults only) from December 2015 through March 2016. The Presbyterian Church will house these guests on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of these months. It is one of the programs offered by the Elizabeth Coalition to address the problem of homelessness in Union County. The Presbyterian Church is requesting assistance from the local Cranford congregations. They still are in need of volunteers to prepare dinner meal (or supply breakfast foods) for approximately 14 people for dates in February or March. The meals could be shared by two families or maybe a Sunday School class. Please contact Catherine Felegi [catherine.felegi@gmail.com] of the Presbyterian Church who will be able to give details.



Calling all readers! The Connect committee will be hosting our next book discussion event on October 21 from 7:30 to 9pm. We will be discussing the novel Left Neglected by Lisa Genova, a story of finding abundance during difficult times and learning what truly matters. If interested, please call the church office by Oct. 18. If you need a copy, call Nancy Meglio at (908) 418-3679 to borrow her copy or retrieve one copy on your own. Lisa Genova is the author of the best-selling book, Still Alice. Thank you.

Save the Date! Fall Festival at Calvary, October 25th after 10:30 service Delicious food, games for all ages, pumpkin painting and more! Look for more info, including a sign-up sheet for food, coming soon in narthex.



Cranford Food Pantry Cranford Family Care is still in need of school snacks for students' daily lunches and breakfast items for seniors. These items include tuna, regular coffee, sugar, Parmalat milk, cold cereal, juice boxes & rice. Please leave your donations in the metal basket in the narthex. Thank you!



**UNION COUNTY DAY OF PRAYER, October 7, 2015
6:30PM – 8:00 PM**

"Praying for peace in the midst of violence" will be held on

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 6:30-8 pm, at the First Methodist Church in Westfield, at 117 Ferris Place Westfield, NJ. This event will feature readings and comments from religious leaders of all faiths from throughout Union County, as well as, music. The Union County Day of Prayer is open to the public and members of all faiths.

Middle East and Europe Refugee Crisis

A record number of refugees and migrants are fleeing war and poverty from the Middle East and making the life-threatening journey to find a safer, better way of life in Europe. With each day bringing new stories and graphic images of the desperate, often deadly situation – as a church, we are called to respond.

Lutheran Disaster Response is committed to meeting the basic humanitarian needs and upholding the rights of those fleeing war and oppression. We are working – and in the coming weeks and months ahead will continue to work – with our trusted partners and companion churches, who are helping provide safety, support and basic amenities, such as water, food and shelter. Your gifts are needed now to help with immediate relief. **Gifts designated for the Middle East and Europe Refugee Crisis will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those directly impacted by this crisis.**

Ways to Give:

Mail - Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
ELCA Gift Processing Center
P.O. Box 1809
Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

Make checks payable to Lutheran Disaster Response. Write "Middle East and Europe Refugee Crisis" on your check's memo line.

Phone - Credit card by phone: 800-638-3522

EXPLORE '15 at Cross Roads, Saturday, October 10th 10am – 3pm An amazing day for 6th-12th graders and their adult leaders to make new friends from across New Jersey and to play, seek, run, explore, ponder, eat, sing, worship and hope together! Friends welcome! Group registration @ njsynod.org/youth.



**RALLY FOR CROSS ROADS -
1st Annual Volleyball Marathon
Fundraiser on October 10 & 11
9PM – 9AM**

All-night activities for all ages! Check-in will begin at 8pm and the event will end with breakfast the next morning. Movies, arts and crafts, food, music, games, prizes and more! For more information or to register, visit **CrossRoadsRetreat.com**.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

	8:15am	10:30am
Asst. Min.	Carla Flint	Warren Hynes
Comm. Asst.	Anne Dawson	TBD
Ushers	Robin Marko (C)	David Ten Broeck
	Brian Peebles	Barbara Birger
	Josh Peebles	Chuck Sherrick
	TBD	TBD
Acolyte	Desiree Santos	Eric Pastore
Altar Guild	Lori Gaudin	Lori Gaudin

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

	<i>19th Sunday after Pentecost</i>
Sun 10/04	Worship w/Holy Communion
8:15am	Spoken Liturgy, contemporary music
9:15am	Sunday School
9:30am	Choir Rehearsal
10:30am	Worship w/Holy Communion
	Sung Liturgy, traditional music
Tues 10/06	Church Council Meeting
7:30pm	
Thur 10/08	Midweek Worship w/Holy Communion
1:15pm	CNSCC Board Meeting
7:30pm	
Sun 10/11	<i>20th Sunday after Pentecost</i>
8:15am	Worship with Holy Communion
	Spoken Liturgy, contemporary music
9:15am	Sunday School
9:15am	Prayer Shawl Group meets
9:30am	Choir Rehearsal
10:30am	Worship w/Holy Communion
	Sung Liturgy, traditional music

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

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 of the
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 for more than 85 years.

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