

sunday times

All Saints' Sunday
November 6, 2016



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

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The psalmist urges us: "Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful" (Psalm 149:1, NRSV) And so we shall! Welcome.

ALL SAINTS' 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. We are very glad to have you visiting with us and we hope the service is a blessing to you.



Stewardship CAMPAIGN

We have begun a series of sermons on the topic of Stewardship. Our fall campaign is entitled, "**Share the Vision, Make a Difference.**" This is an opportunity for us all to reflect on how we use the gifts God puts at our disposal. You will be receiving a mailing from the congregation soon. May the Lord bless our reflections on this important topic. Everything that happens after our Baptism - is a matter of Stewardship!!

Pastoral Prayers, Joys & Concerns

- ✠ Cora Foltz had a fall last Sunday evening and has been a patient this week at JFK Hospital in Edison. She is being treated for an infection and shingles.
- ✠ A Memorial Service for Jill Dereza, Lara's mother and Desiree Santos' grandmother, will be held in the Calvary sanctuary on Sat., Nov. 12 at 11am. Let's keep this family close in our prayers as they struggle with this unexpected death.
- ✠ Nicholas Mruk (25), nephew of Suzy and Oscar Romero and cousin of Tim & Ben Romero, was killed last Monday night in a hit and run accident outside of Fort Wayne, IN. Please pray for his entire family at this tragic time - his parents are Bill and Kathy Mruk, his brothers are Andrew and Adam. A funeral service will be held for Nicholas on Monday.
- ✠ With Veteran's Day coming up, we are mindful of those who have paid the ultimate price for our freedom. Next Sunday's service will include special prayers for those in the military. We also pray for people throughout our world who yearn for justice and peace.

ELCAvotes!

#ELCA VOTES - VOTE FAITHFULLY

In the ELCA, we believe that we are called to be a public church. We believe that God is present in all realms of life, including our government. We are called as Christ's people to ministries of justice and advocacy. These ministries include being informed about public policy issues and faithfully exercising our right to vote. The ELCA's concern extends to everyone in our nation being able to exercise their civic rights.

For more information about this faithful and fully non-partisan campaign to encourage voter participation - see the handout in the pews this morning. If you would like complete information about this churchwide effort - pick up an ELCA votes 2016 Civic Participation and Voter Education Guide in the narthex. Buttons are also available for those of you who would like to wear one - (see Pastor Carol's stole this morning.)



FIRST SUNDAY

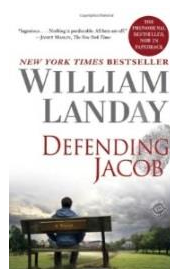
TODAY, NOVEMBER 6, 9:15AM

This brand new short, simple worship service for young children and their families will take place **TODAY, November 6**. We gather in **Fellowship Hall at 9:15am** for a service that engages the little ones and provides Holy Communion for parents. This brief service includes a story for the children but not an adult sermon. People of all ages are warmly invited and refreshments for the whole congregation will be served following worship. Come join us on Noah's Ark!!



CHURCH FINANCE UPDATE As of the end of September, Calvary's income is \$212,102 with expenses of \$233,624, a shortfall of \$21,522. In

comparison to 2015, we had a shortfall of \$25,107 and managed to end the year in the black. Please consider reviewing your 2016 pledges to keep them up to date as we approach the 4th quarter of 2016.



CONNECT BOOK CLUB

SUNDAY, NOV. 6 at 9:15AM

The Book Club will meet **TODAY, Nov. 6 at 9:15am** in the **Betty Dahlquist Lounge**. Any borrowed books must be returned together to the library so we need all books back by Nov. 6th. Please join us for a lively discussion on this unpredictable thriller.

~ WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED ~

We are looking for Worship and Communion Assistants for the 8:15 am and 10:30 am services. Please contact Rob at robert.seavy@gmail.com for more information.

The Prayer Shawl group will meet Sunday, November 13 at 9:15 AM

in the Dahlquist room. In conjunction with the Caring Committee, we have now made and given out about 300 shawls, lap blankets, baby blankets and scarves to those in need of comfort and love. Thank you to all who work on these projects or donate in other ways to our efforts.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

We will be collecting non-perishable food items for our annual Thanksgiving Food Drive from **now until Sunday, November 20th**. The collection envelopes and shopping bags will be handed out in the narthex after services starting Sunday, November 6th. The donations will benefit the food bank at Holy Trinity Church, East Orange and The Aids Resource Foundation - St. Claire's Social Services.

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UNLOVED GIFTS WANTED

It's that time of year to make room for all of our holiday gifts. If you have any unwanted NEW or VERY GENTLY used gifts, we will be happy to take them off your hands. Please bring your unwanted treasures and place in the blue box labeled "Caring Ministry Re Gifts" found under the table in the Narthex. Your re-gifts were a big hit last year when Santa delivered them to our seniors at the Christmas Thursday Service luncheon. Think of yourself as a Secret Santa spreading joy & happiness...HO HO HO :)



NJ CARES COAT DRIVE 2016

We are participating in the Annual NJ Cares Coat Drive! **From Nov. 13-Dec. 4** bring your gently used coats to donate and help keep people warm this winter! Please make sure coats are cleaned and that all zippers/buttons are in good working order.



CHURCH, SEX & POLITICS AT 9:15AM

Sunday, November 13, and then the **third Sunday of every month** join Karl Schlenker in the Dahlquist Lounge at **9:15 am** for an informal, frank and open discussion on topics of the day, things that are on your mind or things that are on his. This class is open to all ages and the only requirement is that you come with an open mind and a desire to share and question! There will be no right or wrong answers. This is an opportunity to question what we really believe, to try to find meaning and relevance in the Church and the Bible in a modern world. The only rules are that what we discuss stays with us, if others want to know they are welcome to join us next month!

THOSE SERVING TODAY

| | 8:15am | 10:30am |
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| Asst. Min. | Robert Seavy | Karl Schlenker |
| Comm. Asst. | Carla Flint | Donna Schlenker |
| Ushers | Robin Marko (C) Cliff Kaiser TBD | George Bird (C) Susan Bird TBD |
| Acolyte | TBD | TBD |
| Altar Guild | Lori Gaudin | Lori Gaudin |

THIS WEEK AT CALVARY

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| Sun 11/06 | <i>All Saints' Sunday</i> |
| 8:15am | Worship with Holy Communion Spoken Liturgy, contemporary music |
| 9:15am | First Sunday, Fellowship Hall |
| 9:15am | Sunday School |
| 9:15am | Connect Book Club |
| 9:30am | Choir Rehearsal |
| 10:30am | Worship w/Holy Communion Sung Liturgy, traditional music |
| Thu 11/10 | Midweek Worship |
| Sun 11/13 | <i>26th Sunday After Pentecost</i> |
| 8:15am | Worship with Holy Communion Spoken Liturgy, contemporary music |
| 9:15am | Sunday School |
| 9:15am | Church, Sex & Politics Discussion |
| 9:30am | Choir Rehearsal |
| 10:30am | Worship w/Holy Communion Sung Liturgy, traditional music |
| 5pm | Confirmation Class |

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 November issue of Cross Currents, now available in the narthex.

