

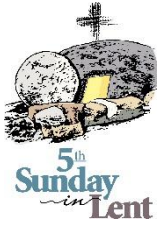
sunday times

March 17, 2024
Fifth Sunday in Lent



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

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God sets a table before us and anoints us with the oil of gladness; our cup overflows (see Psalm 23:5; 45:7). **Welcome to Worship.**



EASTER FOOD DRIVE: We will again be supporting the food banks at Holy Trinity – East Orange and Aids Resource Foundation during this Easter Season. **We will be distributing the food lists and reusable bags after the 10:15 services** on March 17th. We ask that you return the donations to the narthex by Sunday March 24th. We will pack the food into boxes after the 10:15 service that day. We appreciate the congregation's donations and assistance in packing the boxes.

Food List: 1 can of fruit, 2 cans of vegetables, 1 can of sweet or white potatoes, 1 can or jar of coffee, 1 box of cereal, 1 Parmalat milk, 1 can of soup, 1 can of tuna, 1 box of pasta or rice.



There will be a **trial service/sermon** by the candidate on **Sunday, April 7, 2024**. Following the service a congregational meeting will be held to vote to approve Calvary extending a call to our pastoral candidate.

Meet & Greet



We will be having a Meet and Greet Reception for our candidate on Saturday, April 6 from 3-5pm in Fellowship Hall. We welcome congregants to meet and speak with the pastoral candidate who will be leading worship on April 7. Simple Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served.

PASTORAL PRAYERS, JOYS, AND CONCERNS

Dorette Bobrowski is doing well at Birchwood Rehabilitation Center in Cranford. She is grateful for our ongoing thoughts and prayers.

Ellen Mulligan's son, Kevin Mulligan, is continuing his recovery at a rehabilitation facility in West Virginia. Our prayers are very much appreciated for his return to complete health.

Amy Metroka sincerely thanks the congregation for all of the prayers for Linda Hartney.

Eddie Leicht is so very grateful for the wonderful Funeral Service for his sister Nancy that took place on March 12th in our Calvary Sanctuary. He has been overwhelmed with emotion by all of the outpouring of support and love. The attendance of so many friends touched his heart. He appreciates Pastor Anderson's beautiful services, Jeanne Elmuccio's special organ music and her lovely accompaniment on the piano as he sang, magnificently, "Let there be Peace on Earth". He is also grateful to Mary Anderson, Gaylord Fernstrom, Linda Huff, Glenda & Doreen Huff, Susan Lachance, Eric Pastore and Al Jurpalis for all of their help. And a Special Thank You to his dear friend Olive Geisler, one month his junior, who attended and truly made it a very **SPECIAL DAY!** You can see a photo of Eddie singing in Sunday's Coming.



WANTED – Donations of filled plastic eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. Plastic eggs can be filled with candy, bible passages, stickers, etc. Please bring all filled eggs or supplies to construct the eggs by March 24. Donations can be left in the Narthex.



Notes of **THANKS**

I can't thank you and the Calvary Ministry for your prayers and support.

♥ **Heather Viscito** (Jeanne Elmuccio's friend)

Dear Calvary Friends, Thank you for your caring and kind mementos over the past 3 years. I have such warm and happy memories of my many years at Calvary and of all of you. I continue to pray for the call process and the congregation. I am doing well and my health is stable. Over the past 3 years there have been many things to adjust to, but I am at peace being a widow. I am kept busy being a grandmother and an active member of a Lutheran Church just a few blocks away within walking distance. I wish you all many blessings and a joyous Easter. You will always be in my prayers. Your sister in Christ, **Linda Nelson**.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

February 2024

The Lenten season has begun. Confirmation has resumed. The synod assembly will be in May, and we are looking for 2 volunteers to serve as Calvary's voting members.

The "Calvary Cupids" assembled 11 packages for our college students.

A food drive is taking place in the month of March. Please place your donations in the narthex by March 24.

The children will join the choir in the Palm Sunday procession. There will be children's sermons on Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. As a reminder, there will be no Breakfast Bunch on Easter Sunday, but there will be an Easter Egg hunt following the worship service!

Plans are underway for repairs needed to the educational building and the sanctuary.

BIBLE STUDY Opportunities with HOLY CROSS

You are invited to spend time with scripture and in fellowship. The current study/discussion is on "The Women of the New Testament." We meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday at 7pm in the Calvary Library. For further information contact Heidi Klebaur at hinklebaur@gmail.com

Thank you so much for the prayer shawl and stone.

CALVARY CALENDAR

*Sun., March 17, **Fifth Sunday of Lent***

9am Breakfast Bunch

10:15am Worship (Live and on YouTube)

Mon., March 18,

7pm Bible Study in Calvary Library

Thurs., March 21

1:15pm Mid-Week Worship via conference call (dial 425-436-6396) – access code - 685503

*Sun., March 24, **Palm Sunday***

9am Breakfast Bunch

10:15am Worship (Live and on YouTube)



LENTEN CALENDAR

JOIN US FOR HOLY WEEK WORSHIP AT CALVARY

Palm Sunday – March 24

10:15 AM Palm and Passion Service with Holy Communion

Maundy Thursday – March 28

1:15 PM Conference Call worship
(dial 425-436-6396)

when prompted – access code - 685503

7:30 PM "In Remembrance" Meditative Service
with Holy Communion

Good Friday – March 29

7:30 PM Tenebrae Service of Darkness

Easter Sunday – March 31

10:15 AM Festival Service with Holy
Communion followed by an Easter Egg Hunt