

Calvary's Mission

As God's Children, our mission is to

Know His Word,

Share His Word

and

Live His Word.

Calvary's Vision

To be a Christ-centered church, alive with worship and meaningful ministries, where the youngest to the oldest are serving and being served, growing and helping others to grow, and connecting with each other and our surrounding communities.



Connect.



Grow.



Serve.



I was reading Ecclesiastes 7 recently. It reads like one of King Solomon's proverbs, which would make sense since it is believed to have been written by Solomon in his later days. When I read these proverbs, I am often reminded of the importance of not taking the little things in life for granted.

I know that that probably sounds like one of those cute little slogans that people put on their walls. When people talk about the idea of not taking the little things for granted, they are usually referring to things like the sound of raindrops hitting the roof. Like how quiet the outside world is when it snows. Like the sound of a baby laughing. I'm sure you probably can add to this list.

As I read this passage from Ecclesiastes 7, I remember the church of my youth. The vibrancy, the full worship services, the programs. Church was different for me back then and I'm sure it was for you, too.

However, I believe that the difference from then to now has more to do with our priorities and our attitudes than anything else. For me as I was growing up, God came before everything else. And I do mean everything. You went to church not because you should but because you wanted to. You went to Sunday school and Bible study not because someone told you that it was a good thing to do, but rather because that's where you got to learn and be strengthened by other believers. And you freely talked about God outside the church as easily as you would talk about your family because there was nothing else in your life that brought more joy than God.

And if that sounds a little "preachy" ... well, pastors have a tendency to do that from time to time (especially on Sundays). But as I said before, I believe that two of the biggest reasons for the decline of the American church are our priorities and our attitudes.

In Matthew 5, Jesus tells us that we are the light of the world. Basically, His gospel light shines through us.



The Women's Bible Study group has chosen the following two studies for the remainder of 2019 and continuing into next year.

In **The Daniel Dilemma**, Chris Hodges looks at the lives of both Daniel and Jesus, showing how we can stand for our biblical beliefs without being hostile or insulting to others. We can stand up for God's truth in a morally corrupt culture – while still loving others – because the goal is never about winning the argument but about winning hearts.

In Lee Strobel's **The Case for Christmas** we will explore:

- * What the Bible actually says about Jesus' birth and how we can know it is accurate.
- * Whether the Christmas story actually happened or developed from the myths of the day.
- * The Bible's claim that Jesus was born of a virgin and why it is important to our faith.
- * How Jesus – and only Jesus – fulfilled hundreds of biblical prophecies about the Messiah.

We will meet in Kavasch Hall on the following Mondays at 7:30 p.m.:

October 14:	<i>The Daniel Dilemma</i> - session 3 (to be continued after the holidays)
October 28:	<i>The Case for Christmas</i> – session 1
November 11:	<i>The Case for Christmas</i> – session 2
November 25:	<i>The Case for Christmas</i> – session 3
December 9:	<i>The Case for Christmas</i> – session 4

Please call Joanne Arroyo (973-239-1021) if you have any questions.

Partners In Mission



Reformation Day
Commemoration
Worship Service

Divine Service

With

Holy Communion

Sunday, October 27th, 2019 at 4:00 pm

Fellowship Dinner

Hosted by Bethany Lutheran, Ewing

Immediately Following Worship

Main Course will be provided.

Please bring a side dish to pass.

At Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

2730 Princeton Pike

Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648

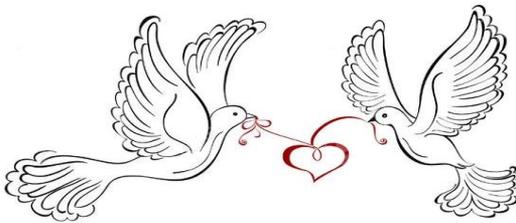
For more information, email:

htlc_nj@comcast.net

All are invited and, if you are planning to attend the service and/or the dinner, please email HTLC_NJ@comcast.net by Sunday, Oct. 13th so they can accommodate everyone.



Oct. 3	Steve Sizer	Oct. 13	Anne Daly
Oct. 5	Sike Adesokan	Oct. 13	Laura Bolger
Oct. 6	Kweku Sapara-Grant	Oct. 15	Evelyn Weidenschilling
Oct. 7	Robert Varnay	Oct. 16	Barbara Hildebrandt
Oct. 9	Linnea Ponczek	Oct. 20	David Lakra



Happy Anniversary

Oct. 4	Edith & Michael Conte
Oct. 10	Esther & Bokaidyu Dulkpado
Oct. 12	Connie & Harold Vaughan
Oct. 17	Molly & Daniel Jaffe
Oct. 23	Nancy & Bill Keltner
Oct. 28	Karen & George Sprengel

Those Who Serve Us:

✝ Altar Guild: Edith Conte

✝ Greeters:

Oct. 6	10:00 AM	Nancy Keltner
Oct. 13	10:00 AM	Karen Gordon El
Oct. 20	10:00 AM	Edith Conte
Oct. 27	10:00 AM	Gordon and Ruth Wickham



Those Who Serve Us:

✝ Flower Visitors:

- Oct. 6 Anne Daly
Oct. 13 Joyce Sapara-Grant
Oct. 20 Liz Kuder
Oct. 27 Edith Conte

✝ Ushers:

- Oct. 6 10:00 AM Gbenga Adesokan, John Ricca,
Gordon Wickham
Oct. 13 10:00 AM Abbaccus Dokie, John Wickham
Oct. 20 10:00 AM Brian Keltner, Stephen Molinari,
John Ricca
Oct. 27 10:00 AM Richard Akers, Karl Wetter

