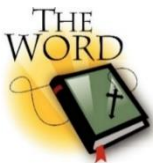


WHAT'S

Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God. Romans 15:7



at *Calvary Presbyterian Church*
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Nursery: We are looking for a person who can be available during worship service on Sundays to look after kids who do not attend Sunday School. This would mainly be kids under 5. Please see Bobbie Beck.



YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE

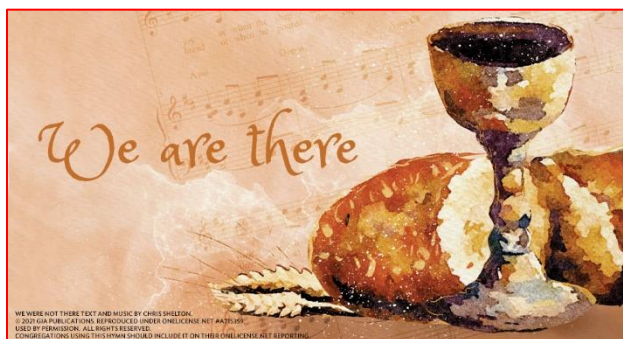
the success of the Rooted to Grow Campaign with fellow supporters & staff
at Urban Promise

Thursday, September 28th 5:30-7:30pm

Cocktails ~ Hors D'oeuvres

27 N. 36th Street, Camden, NJ 08105

rsvp: bschroeder@urbanpromiseusa.org



The *Peace & Global Witness Offering* enables the church to promote the Peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our communities and around the world.

Through the *Peace & Global Witness Offering*, we are there in places like North Carolina, Tuvalu, and Madagascar working alongside our siblings affected by structural racism, climate change, and human trafficking. We come together to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and around the world. Many congregations receive this offering throughout *A Season of Peace* – beginning on September 3, and culminating on *World Communion Sunday*, October 1. If you have boxed envelopes, you will find an envelope for Peace & Global Witness with this week's regular offering, and there are a few in the narthex.



Sunday, Oct. 1 at 3pm, there will be Live Music Worship on the lawn, led by Revival.
 The music will include covers of:
A Southern Gospel Revival - Courtney Patton - Welcome Table
Are you ready? - Pacific Gas and Electric

Saturday, October 21 is the date for
Calvary's Fall Festival

Let's get together with our families and neighbors for games, crafts, food (of course!) and enjoy the gorgeous fall weather. More on this coming...

Bounce House!!
Photo Booth!!





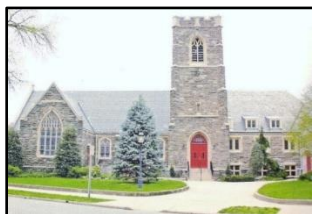
Fill a large trash bag with all the plastic that isn't collected by your town...bubble wrap, bread/newspaper sleeves, bags from cereal, dry cleaning, ice, you name it...it just has to be clean and dry. When we have collected 1,000 pounds of plastic (it really won't take that long) we will be rewarded with a brand-new Trex bench for the Thrift Shop. This is a WIN/WIN. Thanks to Diana

Dohrmann for signing us up for such a great project.

November 12 Stewardship Sunday

Please prayerfully consider this community of faith, these grounds, this building, this church family... your place within it, and your commitment to it.

A soup and sandwich lunch will take place in Fellowship Hall after the service.



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The Welcoming Church

September 24, 2023

17th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00am

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

PRELUDE

Come, Sound His Praise Abroad

I. Smith, arr. A. Giamanco

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

O Sing to the Lord

E. Daley

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Come one and all to meet God here. Let all who are suffering find hope in this place.

We have come that God might raise us up.

Our only hope is in the Maker of heaven and earth.

Come, all who are weary and oppressed. God offers relief and enlists our mutual helpfulness.

God hears our prayers and answers us.

God equips us to be helpful to one another.

Come together to sing songs of praise to God. Give thanks for God's wondrous deeds.

God's glory abides in this place of worship.

God's presence and help are real.

*GATHERING HYMN

#312 *How Sure the Scriptures Are!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison, followed by silent confession)

Forgive us, God, for our complacent attitudes and self-serving comforts. We do not relish the thought of sacrificing for some larger good we cannot see, for people with whom we find it difficult to identify. We compare ourselves favorably against many who seem less attuned to your purposes than we, forgetting that our true standard is Christ Jesus. We ask you to take from us all the bitterness, envy, and anger that stand in the way of your reign. May all we ask of you be for the common good of all your children. (Silence)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CONFESSION RESPONSE

#807 *Gloria Patri*

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

My Jesus, I Love Thee

A. Gordon, arr. T. C. McKibben

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE

#496 *Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TIME FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ANTHEM

Jesus Is the Song

D. Danner, arr. M. McDonald

SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Timothy 3:16,17

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

SERMON

"Context Matters"

Rev. Frank Zeidler, Jr.

CLOSING HYMN

#316 *For Your Holy Book We Thank You*

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Sevenfold Amen

J. Stainer

*THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(As you leave the sanctuary, share greetings of Christ's peace with one another.)

*POSTLUDE

Blessings and Honor

M. Keller, arr. T. Osman

Many thanks to Rev. Frank Zeidler, Jr., for leading us in worship this morning. As always, we thank our A/V volunteers Michael Gilbert and Jerry Blackman for sharing their time and talents. This morning we also thank Dorie Cecchini for refreshments and Allison Farnen and Kathy Haider for greeting and collecting the offering. Everyone is invited for Fellowship after the service in the Assembly Room.

Prayers for: our President and all our elected officials, all world leaders, our men and women in uniform, peace in the world, victims of natural disasters, those endangered by war and violence; Calvary's mission and ministries; all our friends and members at Calvary, and in particular: Georgie Ackers; Dovieanna & Anthony Falconiero; Ed Gilmore; Ed Hartmann; Stacy Cardwell, friend of Nedra Cawley; Pam Jones Nelson, cousin of Allison Farnen; Trevor, nephew of Dave & Janny McGrath; Jesse James, nephew of Terry Pahl; Chea and Roxanne, friends of Alyx Reinhardt; Bill Robbins, brother of Dorothy Talavera; Delanco friend Aurelio Conigliaro and Steve Harker, husband of Cindy.

The chancel flowers this morning are dedicated to the Glory of God and to her Michael Gilbert, in honor of their 2nd wedding anniversary on September 23rd, with thanks for another year of love and laughter, by Valaree.