

November 26, 2017  
Caldwell United Methodist Church  
8 Academy Road, Caldwell, NJ 07006  
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## Serve Others

**CALDWELL FOOD PANTRY** - On Sundays in December, please bring **HEARTY SOUPS** for the Caldwell Food Pantry. Put your donations in the back of the sanctuary.

### JERSEY CARES COAT DRIVE Through November 30



Winter is coming and with it comes cold, windy days. We are collecting gently used, warm winter coats and jackets. The Jersey Cares Coat Drive collects and distributes over 36,000 winter coats for at risk men, women, children and infants. There are collection bins outside the front entrance of the church.

### CARING TREE



We will once again provide gifts to local and nursing home residents. Our congregation has become extended family and they always enjoy and appreciate the love sent to them through your generosity. Take a card from the "tree" in the Narthex. **Purchase the item and return it, wrapped, by 11:00 a.m. on December 10.** Put it under the tree and check your name off the list. The gifts will be delivered on December 11. Please call Marilyn LaFlamme, 973-901-2713 with any questions.

## Bless Our Finances

**FOOD GIFT CARDS:** We have cards for Foodtown, ShopRite and Stop & Shop. The benefit is \$5 for every \$100 worth of certificates that we sell! Cards are available for \$25, \$50, \$100.

**NEED EVENT SPACE?** There are various rooms in the church that may be rented for parties, showers, meetings, classes, etc. Please contact the church office, 973-226-4410, for details regarding guidelines and to check availability. No alcohol permitted.

**ELECTRONIC OFFERING CARDS** are in pews that can be used or if you forgot your offering envelope. If you need additional cards, please see Cathy Wallace.

**2018 OFFERING ENVELOPES** are in back of the sanctuary. If there are no offering envelopes with your name, please see Cathy Wallace.

## Advent for all!

Saturday, December 2 at 9:00 a.m.

- **Cookie Walk, Christmas boutique, jewelry sale and hot dog and chili lunch**
- **Family Advent Wreath Making - all ages - wreaths will be blessed December 3 in worship**
- **Hanging of the Greens**  
Low-level work, with some ladder climbing. Please contact Amy Hansen if you can help, 973-403-3277. Please bring wire cutters, pliers and, if possible, a 6-foot or 8-foot step ladder. We also need two Shop-Vacs to pick up debris afterwards. We will remove the greens on Sunday, January 7, 2018 after worship.



## Messy Christmas with Santa

Saturday, December 9  
10:00 a.m.



Pancake Breakfast, Visit with Santa, Plenty of Christmas Crafts for all ages.

## Special Sunday Services

- **Sunday, December 3 10:00 a.m. Advent Worship**  
*Hanging of Prayer Doves on Tree, Blessing Advent Wreaths, Holy Communion*
- **Sunday, December 10 10:00 a.m. Choir Cantata**  
*Special Music, Bells, and Seasonal Readings with Diane Moser, Director of Music*
- **Sunday, December 17 10:00 a.m. Children's Christmas Pageant**
- **Sunday, December 24 10:00 a.m. Advent Worship**  
*Beautiful Poinsettias, Seasonal Music, A Message of Hope*
- **Sunday, December 24 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelighting**

## This week's prayers

### PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

As the Advent and Christmas season begins, we pray that it will be a season of renewal for our congregation—through worship and prayer, children's pageant and special music, increased attendance at worship, and generous giving.

PRAYING THROUGH THE DIRECTORY, send a friendly card or email

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**Robert O'Leary**  
#R, 5-17 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield, NJ 07003

### LAST WEEK'S PRAYER REQUESTS (NOVEMBER 19)

**Merlene's brother** who is fighting cancer and her **nephew** who has been having seizures; **Patience for me**; **Aunt Estelle**; my cousin **Darleen Zittle** for healing after her heart surgery; **Tracy's Dad, William** (and Isabel and Adrian's grandpop), second fall in three days. He is 94 years old; **giving God praise and thanks** for all he's doing in my mother's life (Selma); **Duffy Family, Kevin Duffy** suffering with ALS, prayers for him and his family; **in memory of Laura McCarthy and prayers for the family** (husband and children); **Kayla Norvis** - hospitalized twice this week; **Jeff Woodcox** fractured his femur Sunday after church and has surgery Monday

### CONTINUING PRAYERS

**Alice Thieleman; Judy Burger; Charlotte Tinfow; Irene Decker; Craig Decker; Carlene and Bill Starke; Julie Elphinstone**

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP

**Rev. Manuel Sardinias**, Gateway North District Superintendent; **Bishop John Schol**, Greater New Jersey Annual Conference

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## This week's calendar

Monday, November 27	10:00 a.m. 8:00 p.m.	Monday Morning Prayer / Discussion Group Prayer Shawl Ministry
Tuesday, November 28	7:00 p.m.	Church Council - Guyn Room
Wednesday, November 29	6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal Boy Scouts Troop 3 - Auditorium
Thursday, November 30	10:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast - Caldwell Diner
Friday, December 1	1:00 p.m.	Set Up for Holiday Open House
Saturday, December 2	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Hanging the Greens, Cookie Walk & family Advent wreath making Holiday Open House
Sunday, November 26	10:00 a.m.	Worship

**Alcoholics Anonymous** Open Meeting in Auditorium, Sundays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Photo Club** in Auditorium first & third Thursdays, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

**Pleasant Day** in Auditorium Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**Beginners Camera Club** in Guyn Room, second Wednesday in December & January, 7:00 p.m.



If your ministry or group is planning a meeting or event, please contact the church office so it may be put on the church calendar in order to avoid any conflicts. Contact the church office at 973-226-4410 or caldwelum@aol.com.