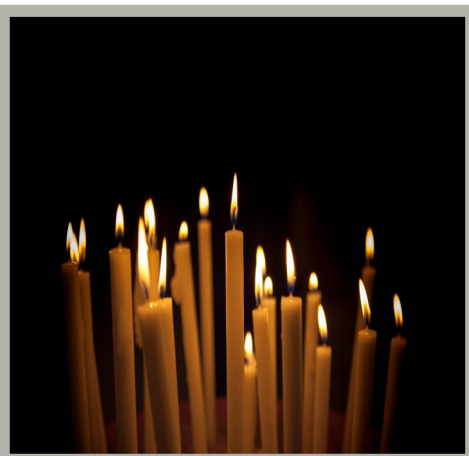




# THE VOICE

October/November 2022

“..You may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are **the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints,** and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe...”



Ephesians 1: 18-19

**Dear Friends,**

In his letter called Ephesians St. Paul reminds us of what to expect as believers both now in this present age— *“the immeasurable greatness of God’s power”* and in the life to come — *“the riches of his glorious inheritance.”*

On the first Sunday of every November, All Saints Sunday, we remember and give thanks for the many saints we have known and loved in our lives and we light candles for each one as we pray and celebrate their lives. Grandparents, mothers and fathers, siblings, aunts and uncles, friends and neighbors, comrades in war, children and infants, people we have worked with, the list is as endless as the lives God has lent for the living of their days, be they long full lives of many years or brief lives cut short.

On this Sunday each year we remember the cloud of witness who have gone before us and who worship with us. Our sacred space is filled with their memories that morning as we sing and pray, hear the message, share the bread and cup of communion along with them.

And when the worship ends that morning we know both the light the saints have shed on our journey and the strength God gives each of us for the living of these earthly days until such time we join the saints above.

Come, join us, pray, light a candle, rededicate yourself to the Lord’s service on November 2.

**Blessings, Pastor Viv**



## 17th Annual Golf Outing

The Outing to raise funds for West Essex First Aid Squad and the church was a great success. A day of golf, delicious meals, 50/50, awards, contests, and lots of great giveaways! **As always the dedication of Ken Ingra, Chairman, the Golf Outing Committee and volunteers made this day possible. Thanks so much to all the golfers and ad journal supporters as well.**



## Rally Day October 16, 2022

It was wonderful to gather and break bread together for Rally Day on October 16th. Thank you to all who contributed to a lovely gathering. A special shout-out to Joyce and Sal Francavilla and Fairfield Farms for the lovely donated chrysanthemums.



### “Irreverend”

**Local Film Series Premiere!**

**Saturday, October 29, 2022**

**3:00pm to 8:00pm at**

**Caldwell United Methodist Church  
8 Academy Road, Caldwell, NJ**



Noelle Gizzi's web series Irreverend is finally ready to grace the screen at the CUMC! Join us on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> to watch the first-ever public viewing of Irreverend! From 3:30-8:00, all 10 episodes will air, so check the show schedule to see which episodes you are interested in! Play favorites or binge them all! Episodes have a maximum rating of PG13, and they're all in good fun. Come on out to support your local artists and see your church brought to life on screen. Refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there.

### Fundraiser for Family Promise

Each year, the soccer program at James Caldwell High School looks for a meaningful community service project. This year, a group of around fifty players and family members gathered bright and early at Verona Park October 16<sup>th</sup> for the Walk for Change, an event held by Family Promise (formerly IHN) to raise awareness and funds for temporarily homeless families in Essex County. Caldwell United Methodist Church has long included Family Promise in our outreach ministry. Altogether, eighty-nine players raised over \$1300, exceeding all expectations. Among the walkers was our own Adrian Voca. Our church's support made him the top team fundraiser! Thank you on his behalf and on behalf of the JCHS soccer players. At the start of the walk, we learned that since the moratoriums on evictions put in place during COVID have been lifted, more families than ever are at risk of homelessness. Family Promise is busier now than ever with both homelessness prevention and rehousing efforts.

*For more information about a wonderful organization, go to: [www.fpessexnj.org](http://www.fpessexnj.org)*



*(Adrian pictured with teammates, carrying a blue t-shirt)*

## Goodbye to Our Sexton

### Dear Church Family,

Thank you for welcoming me to the whole Caldwell Methodist church family...it's been my pleasure working here with all of you...I've been treated very well here, not only as an employee but welcomed here as part of the church family with open arms and heart.

Due to career change and medical reasons, it is not advisable to continue working the two jobs on a consistent basis...October 21st will officially my last day.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity and experience I gained working here...my dedication here was always my pleasure. You have my full commitment and cooperation for a smooth transition of responsibilities.

### Irene Robinson



## Notes from Maxine

Welcome back to Choir and Bells. We will be starting up soon. If you have any inclination to join, please know that there is no pressure or commitment and we create a spiritual and musical environment. We are also welcoming any talents of any kind to share your gifts. Please feel free to email me at max13A@aol.com or speak with me. Thanks to all who shared their gifts with us this summer. Stay tuned .

Blessings, Maxine Alstrom



## From Finance



Please keep your offerings up to date so we may better plan for expenses and budget funds.

Thank you,

Your Finance Committee

## JOB SEARCH FOR SEXTON

If you are someone you know is interested, please contact the church office at 973-226-4410 with the name of the interested person and their cell number asap. Thank you.

## Tea and Coffee Socials Friday, November 4th, 2022 Friday, December 2nd 9:30 am - 12 noon

Come & enjoy time with neighbors and friends over a complimentary cup of tea or coffee!

Baked goods for sale and  
A selection of gift items to purchase  
All proceeds to benefit the church.  
Church members & friends  
are welcome

so stop in with a friend or by yourself!

Questions? Please call Dave & Rita  
Whetton at 862-702-6144

## October Birthdays

October 1	Alan Pierce
October 6	Susan Drastal
October 9	Jon Waddington
October 10	Ellen Elcavage
October 13	Howard Hansen
October 16	Anthony Ingra
October 17	David Harper
October 21	Richard Mudd
October 24	Tim Pierce
	Joseph Schaedler
October 27	Jane Vogelsang
October 28	Jaxon Wallace
October 29	Janet Stanton

## October Anniversaries

October 17, 1976	Alan & Leslie Pierce
October 12, 1984	Richard & Marilyn LaFlamme
October 8, 2000	Tracy & Bogdan Voca

## November Anniversaries

Nov. 14, 1987	Bruce & Liz Ciccione
Nov. 5, 1988	Carole & Chris Volz
Nov. 19, 1993	Christine & Jon Waddington
Nov. 1, 2003	Bill & Lidia Ebbinghouser

## November Birthdays

November 1	Abbey Pierce
November 10	Glenn Plumstead
November 11	Aiden Pezzino
November 12	Reagan Michelli
November 13	Myrtle Connell
November 14	Dana Taylor Stelter
November 14	Tony Gazzillo
November 20	Jan Taylor



## Parish Notice—Edith Mae James



Edith Mae James (nee Harvey), 89, of Fairfield, NJ passed away peacefully on May 25, 2022. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, May 31, 2022 in Memorial Shrine Cemetery, Wyoming, PA.

Edith was born in Lemon Township, PA and has resided in Fairfield, NJ since 1971. She was a long time member of the Caldwell United Methodist Church.

Edith is the beloved wife of the late William D. James III; loving mother of Alan J. James and his wife, Kim; the late William D. James (Dave) and his wife, Jill; cherished grandmother of Ashley Lynn James.



## 30th Annual Caldwell Street Fair

Thirty thousand fairgoers filled Bloomfield Avenue on October 2. We provided breakfast for the carnival workers who set up the rides in front of the church and we opened our church all day long for “Restroom Ministry” as our outreach.



**Louise Woodcox receives award for her art at the 2022 Essex County Senior Juried Art Show.**

**Congratulations!**





## Welcome, Neighbors!

Congregation Agudath Israel worshipped in our sanctuary on Rosh Hashanna and on Yom Kippur. Nearly two hundred persons worshipped each day.

*“Thank you so much for your hospitality. I was in church for part of the service on Monday. It’s such a warm and loving space. We are so grateful to you for opening your doors to us and working so diligently to enable us to have a meaningful holiday. Wishing you and your entire community abundant blessings.”*

**Rabbi Ari Lucas**



**“We thoroughly enjoyed planning and hosting the British tea fundraiser and hope that you all had a great time. All of us together raised over \$2100 for Cure Alzheimer's Fund. Your donations will go a long way in finding a cure or treatment for this terrible affliction. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. We look forward to seeing you at our future events.”** Dave, Rita and Enzo Whetton



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## EVERYONE WELCOME



WORSHIP every Sunday at 10AM

**MESSY CHURCH THANKSGIVING**

Friday, Nov. 18 at 5:30 PM



**MESSY BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

Saturday, Dec. 10 at 9:00 AM



**Please join us for Messy Church Thanksgiving on Friday evening November 18 at 5:30 PM.**

Share a complete turkey and fixin's meal around a huge table, enjoy messy crafts for all ages, pack boxes for a mission project of sharing food, and hear the MESS-age of God's love!

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