Announcements May 30, 2021

Have a pastoral emergency? Call the church office at (610) 326-1335 ext. 1 to contact Pastor Scott.

Graduation Sunday is July 4th. Graduates from Winter 2020-Spring 2021 will be acknowledged during the worship service. Graduates should email their name, graduation date, school, awards and future plans to Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at susan.gutshall@newhanoverlutheran.org so we can include them in the recognition.

2021 Summer Yoga Class Series: Cleanse, Stretch and Grow! Classes will be held Thursdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM June 10th, 17th, 24th and July 1st. Classes are for all levels and anyone age 13 years and up. Those who are age 13-18 should be accompanied by an adult. Classes will focus on cleansing mind, body and spirit, stretching and strengthening and growing an intention towards peace and unity within. Classes are held in the meadow at the church, weather permitting. The cost is a free-will donation with proceeds assisting the Peer Support Recovery Ministry and Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry. To sign up, text or call Leslie Gates at (484) 686-8619.

Garden of Hope There are opportunities for you to participate in this exciting, new ministry at NHELC. Helpers are needed to serve as community/corporate liaison and day captains. Community/Corporate Liaison will communicate needs and opportunities to the community and local businesses. Day Captains will attend meetings to understand expectations, welcome volunteers, help with the garden and educate and communicate with the team. For more information about this program, contact Nikki Young (nikkiannyoung@gmail.com), Marsha Staub (marsha.staub@comcast.net) or Donna Kehs (donnakehs@gmail.com).

Thank you from Lincoln and Barbara Noecker to everyone for their prayers, words of comfort and cards following the death of Lincoln's father, Kenneth.

Sponsors Needed You can help support the ministry at NHELC by sponsoring communion and *The Word in Season* devotion booklets. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 to sign up. Suggested donation to sponsor the communion is \$20 a month and *The Word in Season* devotional is \$35 a month. And, don't forget, there are weeks available to sponsor the bulletin and flowers too. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 a week and the flowers is \$35 a week.

Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities – Now through June, NHELC is collecting non-perishable items for the local food bank. Bring your donations to the church kitchen door on Sunday before the 9 AM worship service or between 1 – 2 PM. Be sure to distinguish your donation for the Cluster or Loaves and Fishes Food Ministry. Suggested food items include: jelly, pancake mix and syrup, pasta, crackers, instant mashed potatoes, condiments, soup, cereal and canned fruit. Suggested non-food items include: paper towels, diapers (size 6), toothbrushes, laundry detergent, hand soap, toilet paper, deodorant, dish soap, conditioner and shampoo. Also, sugar-free and sodium-free items for those with dietary restrictions are greatly appreciated.

A Community Blood Drive hosted by the Optimist Club of Boyertown will be held on Saturday, June 26th, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM at Windlestrae Park, located at 132 Chalet Road in Gilbertsville. Appointments are required. To sign up, contact Miller-Keystone Blood Center at GIVEaPINT.ORG and use sponsor code 8744.

Faith Formation

VBS 2021 is coming! Join us for "God's Good Creation" which will be both online and in-person and done in collaboration with some of our neighboring Lutheran congregations. For five consecutive Mondays beginning June 21st, an online "welcome video" introducing the week's theme will be posted. Each Wednesday for those five weeks, beginning June 23rd, **children and parents** will meet outdoors, 6:30-8 PM, at NHELC for a story time, yoga/mindfulness exercises, a mission-related project and a snack. We will also be posting some of those activities online for children who still cannot attend in-person activities. New this year: an **Adult VBS** which will meet outdoors those Wednesday mornings, 10-11:30 AM at NHELC. Bring a comfortable lawn chair in which to relax! All outdoor gatherings will follow CDC recommendations. An online registration for children and adults can be found on the Faith Formation page of our church website. Early registration is encouraged to

help with planning. For adults without computer access a hard copy is in our June-July newsletter with extras also in the wooden pick-up box outside of the Sunday School portico door. Also, you can call the church office and leave contact information on Deacon Carol's voicemail. Contact Deacon Carol for more information.

Another faith formation link is available. Called "**Parent Pause**" the link features a simple question each week for parents to ponder throughout the following seven days. Feel free to email Deacon Carol any insights, questions, etc. This link can be found on NHELC's Faith Formation page on the church website, newhanoverlutheran.org.

Camp Falckner 2021 Registration is available on the church's website at newhanoverlutheran.org. This year's theme is "Ready, Set, Go! 'Here I am, Lord.'" Camp Falckner is an overnight camping experience for youth completing fifth – twelfth grade and will be held July $27^{th} - 30^{th}$ in the New Hanover Lutheran Church picnic grove.

You are never too old to color! On our Faith Formation page you'll find prayer coloring pages you can download and print out for those times you could use some quiet, mindful spaces in your life. Take deep breaths, color and enjoy!

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHELC Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. Contact Deacon Carol with your prayer request at caroldetweiler@comcast.net or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be "delivered"!

Food Ministry

Drivers are needed to deliver meals on Wednesdays at 2:00 PM and/or Sundays at 1:45 PM. To signup, go to www.signupgenius.com then login using the email address marsha.staub@comcast.net. Need help signing up? Email Marsha or contact Pastor Scott to help.

Drop off grocery donation this Sunday before the 9 AM worship and 1-2 PM at the church kitchen entrance door. Someone will collect your items at the door and if they are busy, please place the items on a cart outside the door. Someone will take them inside shortly. Thank you for all your generosity in helping feed our neighbors. Chicken, beef, fresh fruit, pasta, frozen veggies and snacks are always welcomed and if in doubt, feel free to bring in any non-perishable food item.

Monetary donations for this ministry are appreciated. Go to our website using the link www.newhanoverlutheran.org/donate. Also, donations can be put in our mail slot located at the church fellowship hall entrance. Be sure to designate on your check or envelope "Food Ministry."

Know someone in the community who needs meals? Email Sally Sugita at sallysugita@yahoo.com with the person's name, number of people in the household and the address.

Thank you for your support.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Larry Gallagher, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, Roy Fleming, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Stephanie Holtz, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Gene Reider, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Karen Trout, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Linda Harpel, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Donna Kehs, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Marlyn Bieleski, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, MaryAlice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Russ and Lenore Gates, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Linda Norton, Alyssa Dierolf, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Catherine Underwood, Debra Kissinger, Bobbie, Steve, Matt, Bob and Cindy, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, June Urbassik, Frank D., Doris Gross, Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Charles Rhoads, Patricia Hoffman, Andy Van Dyke, Lilly Marie Kuzminski, Donald Gabel

Peace for the violence in our area and nationally

Long-term

Garrett Coyne, Heather James, Rachel Walter, Sarah Bowman, Keeley Staples, Logan Conley, Shannon, John, Jean Boyer, Dominic Strock, Sally Kohl, Mark Noecker

Grieving

For the family and friends of Nancy Moser; David Schonely, Diane Snyder's father; Jean Caputo, Joe Caputo's mother; Ken Noecker, Lincoln Noecker's father; Linford Moyer and Doris Renninger

Shut-ins

Penny Frymoyer, Fran E. Weaver, Janet Deloplaine, Wade Miller

Military

Shawn Dietz, Michael McHugh, Kevin Dugan, Jason Bernhard, Craig Geiser, Patrick Mathias, Steven Kane, Temperance Leister, William Zearfoss, Will Wilson V, Milton Jack Repa, Megan Fricker, Kyle Woods